Hang Gliding & Paragliding Open Meeting Agenda

As per CIVL Internal Regulations...
“Committees and Working Groups may hold Open meetings just prior to the Plenary meeting. The aim of this meeting is to present and promote discussion of the work of the Committee or Working Group during the past year, in particular:
- those issues that have resulted in proposals brought to the Plenary Agenda by that Committee or Working Group,
- other Plenary Agenda proposals that may have an impact on the work of the Committee or Working Group,
- to create a work plan for new issues arising in the coming year.
The views aired at an Open meeting should be thoroughly considered by the members of the Committee or Working Group, which may result in the decision to amend the proposals brought to the Plenary by that Committee or Working Group and which may necessitate a Closed meeting following the Open meeting. Alternatively, the Delegate can propose an amendment at the Plenary. The Committee or Working Group cannot introduce proposals on new business discussed immediately prior to the Plenary.
In an Open meeting, the Chair may allow all in attendance to contribute ideas and information to the discussions. The Chair may ask for an indicative show of hand ballot on specific matters. In this case, only one vote per FAI member nation is normally accepted.”

- Section 7 reorganisation
Discuss the Bureau proposal (annex 10abcd).
One general section. Specific sections for aerobatic, accuracy and XC. HG and PG share the same specific section.
The Bureau’s intention is to unify HG and PG rules as much as possible (for ease, clarity and a lot less work to keep tidy).

- Internal regulations – Bureau powers
Discuss the Bureau proposal (annex 11-1).
Confirm that the Bureau has executive powers in between plenaries, very much like what it did about CCC requirements this year.
Plenaries have to approve Bureau’s decisions. It is unclear what would happen if the Plenary would not approved, but this is another problem (it has not happened yet.)

- Internal regulations
Discuss the Bureau proposal (annex 11-2).
Simple cleaning up of terms.

- CIVL Steward and Jury
Discuss the Bureau proposal (annex 11-3 and 4).
- Role of Jury adjusted to be in line with FAI philosophy.
- Organisers can refuse to pay for alcoholic drinks for steward and jurors.
- No more daily stipends for jurors.

- Practice event
Discuss the Bureau proposal (annex 11-5).
They are still mandatory except if the Bureau or the Plenary agrees that they are not necessary.
Example: not practice event at the coming Dubai WAG for Accuracy and Aerobatic.

- Change to Local Regulations
Discuss the Bureau proposal (annex 11-6).
Additions to / modifications of LR during the comp is possible only with 2/3 agreement of team leaders + jury’s. (The steward has no say)

- Diplomas

Discuss the Bureau proposal (annex 11-7).
We make sure that in championships were women get a World or Continental title, the first ten women get diplomas.

- Award for Hang Gliding and Paragliding

Discuss the Bureau proposal (annex 11-8).
The “Hang Gliding Diploma” becomes the “Paragliding and Hang Gliding Diploma”.

- WPRS Champions

Discuss the Bureau proposal (annex 11-9).
Create a yearly ranking ending Sept 30th. No devaluation of points during the year.

- “Subcommittee” Rewording

Discuss the Bureau proposal (annex 11-10).
Change of term asked in FAI Statutes: “Committee” i.s.o. “Subcommittee”.

- Live tracking logs

Discuss the Bureau proposal (annex 11-11A).
Live tracking data could be used to score competitions.

- Flight recording devices / GPS

Discuss the Bureau proposal (annex 11-11-B)
From 01.05.2016 only flight recording devices capable of recording both GPS and barometric altitude in the tracklog will be allowed in Category 1 XC competitions for scoring. It must not be possible to modify the barometric altitude once tracklog recording has started.

To be considered along with the Software WG chairman’s proposal (to be added to the agenda if the Plenary agrees)
. The 2015 CIVL Plenary agrees in general to using QNH as the altitude measurement basis in future Category 1 events.
. A working group, consisting of representatives from the Hang Gliding and the Paragliding Committee, the Software Working Group and of the flight instrument manufacturers is formed. The purpose of this group is to create, document and validate the procedures required for the introduction of QNH as altitude measurement basis, along with any necessary rule changes and requirements towards flight instruments.
. The procedures are tested and validated during the two Pre-European XC Championships in 2015.
. The working group submits the rule changes and procedure documentation to the 2016 CIVL Plenary for approval.
. Starting in 2016, CIVL’s FAI Category 1 XC events use QNH as the altitude measurement basis.

Andrej Kolar from Naviter (SeeYou) and Daniel Dimov will be there and are expected to comment.

- Tracklog interval and devices

Issue raised by Roldanillo PG World.
PG Committee is proposing to add to Bureau proposal Annex 11–11B:
"From May 1, 2015:
- the maximum gap in track log must be set at 5 seconds."
- SD cards alone are not accepted, flight recording devices has to be brought to the scorer
- track files without signatures from devices not able to put signatures shall be downloaded directly from the GPS.

- **1000 points for 1000 points day**
  *Discuss the Software WG chairman’s proposal (to be added to the agenda if the Plenary agrees).*
  In every task, the winner’s score is day validity times 1000.
The winner of a “1000 points day” does indeed score 1000 points.

- **Distance calculations**
  *Discuss the Software WG chairman’s proposal (to be added to the agenda if the Plenary agrees).*
  As an interim solution, all distance measurements in our competitions should remain based on the FAI sphere, and the 0.5% tolerance for turnpoint cylinders should stay in place.

- **WPRS "Euro-centricity"**
  *Discuss the HG & PG-C proposals (Annex 18)*
  **Proposal 1**
  Td (Time Devaluation): increase the time constant of 1096 days (three years) after which the result is devalued to 0%.
  **Proposal 2**
  Devaluate the importance of Pn (Pilot Number)
  Get a fixed number above which comp is fully "valid" (& Pn for lower). Pn = MIN(square root("participants"/"median participants in competitions last 12 months")
  Improve the formula used for Pn: use median instead of average and use Pn_max = 1
  **Proposal 3**
  Increase the importance of Pq (Pilot quality). No specific proposal here.

- **Rest day policy**
  *Discuss the HG & PG-C proposals (Annex 18)*
  Basically we give more power to the meet director. He does anything he wants but no more than 7 days of flying in a row.
  We still need to define what is a rest day and what is a non-flying day.

- **Official practice period**
  *Discuss the HG & PG-C proposals (Annex 18)*
  The mandatory practice task is replaced by a couple of days with organisation well in place before the competition starts.