



MINUTES

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1 WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

The Plenary meeting was called to order at 9:00, 14 March 2019.
CIA President, Mark Sullivan, welcomed Delegates and thanked Subcommittee and Working Group members for their work during the past year.

He introduced and welcomed:

- Jean-Claude Weber, FAI Executive Board - CIA President of Honour
- FAI Sports and Events Director – Markus Haggene

Jean-Claude Weber was invited to give an introductory speech.

2 IN MEMORIAM

The Plenary Meeting then commenced with a moment of silence in respect of the recently departed members of the ballooning community.

- Stefan Karl (USA)
- Marita Krafczyk (GER)
- Hanne Hohmann (GER)
- Tracey Barnes (USA)
- Heinrich Bronkendorf (GER)
- Tom Donnelly (UK)
- Maco Oiwa (JAP)

3 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from:

- Tong Li (CHN)
- Garry Lockyer (CAN)
- Debbie Spaeth (USA)
- Harold Cliver (USA)
- Uwe Schneider (GER)
- Markus Kalousdian (BRA)
- Bengt Stener (SWE)
- Sandor Hidas (A copy of a letter sent by Sandor was distributed between all Present)

4 DELEGATES ROLL CALL

CIA OFFICERS, DELEGATES, ALTERNATE DELEGATES, SUBCOMMITTEE AND WORKING GROUP MEMBERS AND OBSERVERS ATTENDANCE

CIA PRESIDENT			Mark SULLIVAN (USA)
CIA SECRETARY			Paolo OGGIONI (ITA)
FAI Executive Board			Jean-Claude WEBER
FAI Sport and Events Director			Markus HAGGENEY
COUNTRY	DELEGATE	ALTERNATE	Subcommittee/Working Group members and observers
AUSTRALIA (AUS)	IRELAND, Steve		Donna Tasker
AUSTRIA (AUT)	STÜRZLINGER, Gerald		
BELGIUM (BEL)	VAN GEYTE, Luc		
CANADA (CAN)	Proxy to USA		
CROATIA (CRO)	MIKLOUSIC, Igor		MIKLOUSIC, Tom

CZECH REP (CZE)	SUCHY, Michael			
FINLAND (FIN)	SEVELIUS, Max			
FRANCE (FRA)	BESNAINOU, Martine			PELARD, Benoit
GERMANY (GER)		MEINL, Silvia		
HUNGARY (HUN)	MOLNAR, Peter	SZABOLCS, Garab		PALHEGYI, Zoltan
ITALY (ITA)	OGGIONI, Paolo			
JAPAN (JPN)	ICHIYOSHI, Sabu	SOEJIMA, Hiropon		FURUKAWA, Hiromi
LATVIA (LAT)	GAILIS, Gints			
LITHUANIA (LTU)	KAZLAUSKAS, Zydrunas			
LUXEMBOURG (LUX)	WEBER, Claude			
NETHERLANDS (NED)	HAARHUIS, Sanne	PELLEGROM, Erwin		
NORWAY (NOR)	Proxy to Sweden			
POLAND (POL)	FILUS, Witold	IVANSKI, Arkadiusz		CZERNIAWSKI, Jerzy
RUSSIA (URS)	MITYAGIN, Yury	KARNAUKOV, Vladimir		
SLOVAK REPUBLIC (SVK)	Proxy to Czech Rep			
SLOVENIA (SLO)	BRANKO, Ambrozic			
SPAIN (ESP)	ARACIL, Ricardo			
SWEDEN (SWE)	ÅKERSTEDT, Hans			
SWITZERLAND (SUI)	ANDRÉ, Marc			
UKRAINE (UKR)	LOBASHOV, Igor			
UNITED KINGDOM (GBR)	MUIR, Lindsay	BAREFORD, David		BAREFORD, Dominic PURFIELD, Les
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (USA)	BAIRD, Andy			SULLIVAN, Maury BRADLEY, Troy WHITE, Cheri SULLIVAN, Lynn
		Day one	Day two	
Total Attendees		41	41	
Total CIA Members		29	29	
VOTE Count	Delegates Voting	23	23	
	Alternates Voting	1	1	
	Members with voting rights			
	Proxies	3	3	
TOTAL VOTES		27	27	
Absolute Majority		14	14	
2/3 Majority		18	18	

FAI Members List of delegates – December 2018
The most recent list can be found on the FAI website.
<https://www.fai.org/page/cia-delegates>

Attachment 1

5 PROXIES

- Canada proxy to USA (05 March 2019)
- Slovakia proxy to Czech Republic (11 March 2019)
- Norway proxy to Sweden (12 March 2019)

6 ANNOUNCEMENTS

6.1 AGENDA ORDER

The chair states that the agenda may be changed and adapted to the needs of the delegates to show their presentations.

Delegates were reminded that the agenda order would be established by the President (IR 3.6.1).

6.2 REVIEW OF PROCEDURES

Delegates were reminded of the procedures in respect of:
Motions (IR 3.7)

Rules of Debate (IR 3.8), delegates are encouraged to speak once on each topic.

Items not on the agenda need 2/3's majority to be discussed but no decision may be made on these items

6.3 COUNTING COMMITTEE

Markus Haggenev and Hiromi Furukawa (JAP) were nominated as the Counting Committee (IR 3.11.4)

Approved by the Plenary unanimously on a motion from the Chair

6.4 CIA POLICY DOCUMENTS

The Delegates were reminded of the CIA Policy Documents in force for the meeting.

6.5 NEW BUSINESS

Cia President: any bid or intention to host the next plenary meeting should be presented in writing before the lunch break.

6.6 ABSOLUTE MAJORITY

The number of votes required to achieve an absolute majority was declared as 14

The number of votes required for a New Motion (2/3 majority) was declared as 18

The Chair announced the numbers for the absolute and two-thirds majorities and that these numbers will only change because of delegates arriving late or leaving early who formally notify the chair.

6.7 VOTING PROCEDURES

Described by CIA President as outlined in the FAI Statutes, By-Laws, and CIA IRs.

Nomination form for candidates for any position will be distributed and must be returned before end of afternoon session the 14th March.

For events in the European region only European Delegates may vote.

Paolo Oggioni (ITA, CIA Secretary): By the end of day the nomination form for all nominees for various positions must be returned to Markus Haggenev.

6.8 ELECTRONIC VOTING SYSTEM

The FAI electronic voting system will not be used in this meeting.

6.9 FAI CODE OF ETHICS

The FAI Code of Ethics applies to the CIA meeting. CIA members concerned should declare their respective conflict of interest to the FAI General Secretary.

6.10 DOMESTIC ARRANGEMENTS

No domestic arrangements were announced.

7 MINUTES OF THE 2018 PLENARY MEETING

The minutes were presented. Non discussion followed.

Minutes were approved as presented unanimously

8 CIA BUREAU ACTIONS

The Chair reported on the actions taken by the Bureau in the previous 12 months. The complete file includes the report as published in the Autumn CIA Newsletter and the Bureau Meeting Minutes of Monday, March 11, 2019.

Bureau decisions 2018-2019

Attachment 02

Bureau meeting minutes

Appendix 01

9 REPORT ON FAI ACTIVITIES

Mark Sullivan, CIA President reported on FAI activities and meetings.

10 REPORT ON THE 2017 FAI GENERAL CONFERENCE

Luxor (Egypt), 26-27 Oct 2018

Markus Haggeney presented and reported on the FAI activities and FAI General Conference with a very thorough presentation.

Next FAI General Conferences

2019, Marrakesh (Morocco)

11 DELEGATES REPORTS

Delegates were reminded that they should return the CIA ANNUAL STATISTICS questionnaire to the Secretary so that current information is available on ballooning around the world. Statistics did arrive very late and practically the last day before the Plenary.

CIA Annual Statistics questionnaire results: Was not possible to prepare in advance as the Delegates statistics, that should have arrived 28th of February, were not delivered in time. The Secretary received 50% of the national statistics in the past 4 days.

Paolo Oggioni (ITA, CIA Secretary): I will review the current format of the questionnaire and issue a new one to collect the data and present thee statistics to the next plenary.

COUNTRY	Statistics	Country Reports	Received (should be 30 days before Plenary)
AUSTRALIA (AUS)	yes	yes	11/03/2019
BELGIUM (BEL)	yes	yes	13/01/2019
CHINA (People's Republic of)	yes	yes	30/01/2019
CZECH REP (CZE)	yes	yes	13/02/2019
GERMANY (GER)	yes		18/01/2019
JAPAN (JPN)	yes	yes	10/01/2019
LATVIA (LAT)		yes	03/01/2019
LITHUANIA (LTU)	yes	yes	10/03/2019
LUXEMBOURG (LUX)	yes		14/03/2019
NETHERLANDS (NED)	yes		15/02/2019
RUSSIA (RUS)	yes	yes	15/03/2019
SLOVENIA (SLO)	yes		31/01/2019
SWITZERLAND (SUI)		yes	03/03/2019
UNITED KINGDOM (GBR)	yes	yes	08/03/2019
POLAND (POL)	yes		31/01/2019
SLOVAKIA	yes		05/02/2019
SOUTH KOREA	yes		30/01/2019

SPAIN (ESP)	yes		16/01/2019
SWEDEN (SWE)	yes		23/01/2019
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (USA)	yes	yes	14/03/2019

12 JURY BOARD SC REPORT

Hans Åkerstedt (SWE): Reported on the work of the Jury Board. Detail discussion and decisions can be seen in the Subcommittee notes.

Jury Board meeting minutes

Appendix 02

On a motion from the Chair the Report was accepted unanimously

Three motions were presented:

- Event Juries 2019-2020 **Appendix 02/a**
- New Jurors **Appendix 02/b**
- Jury selection **Appendix 02/c**

Motion n°1:

Event Juries 2019-2020 (**Appendix 02/a**)

Event Juries will be accepted and adopted with the EDS report on all single events

Motion n°2:

New Jurors (**Appendix 02/b**)

Applications and tests received:

Cheri White, USA	Entry level
Harold Cliver, USA	Entry level
Adam Magee, USA	Entry level
Gary Lacey, AUS	Entry level
John Grubbström, SWE	Upgrade to Senior level

All recommended to be added to the CIA list of jurors.

On a motion from the Chair the new entries were accepted unanimously

Motion n°3:

To accept changes to the Jury handbook, to in in effect from April 1st 2019 (**Appendix 02/c**)

A discussion followed where a lot of perplexity was arisen on the method of assigning Jurors to Events and it was suggested to leave the selection to the organizers. Nominations should arrive in due time and it was suggested to ask organizers to nominate also new jurors from the list.

Human factors and cost factors should be taken into count as well. Jurors that are on the list but never give availability should also be taken off.

On a motion from the Chair the motion failed

List of Jurors for 2019

Attachment 03

13 OFFICIALS SC REPORT

Steve Ireland (AUS): reported on the work of the Subcommittee. Detailed discussions and decisions can be seen in the Subcommittee notes.

Sanne Haarhuis gave a presentation of the officials survey that the SC has carried out this year.

Officials meeting minutes

Appendix 03

On a motion from the Chair the Report was accepted unanimously

14 EVENT DEVELOPMENT SERVICE SC REPORT

Lindsay Muir (UK): on behalf of Garry Lockyer who resigned from EDS in January reported on the work of the Subcommittee. Detailed discussions and decisions can be seen in the Subcommittee notes.

On a motion from the Chair the Report was accepted unanimously

EDS meeting minutes

Appendix 04

10:50 - Meeting adjourned for coffee break

11:10 – meeting resumed

15 RECORDS SC REPORT

Troy Bradley (USA): reported on the work of the Subcommittee. Detailed discussions and decisions can be seen in the Subcommittee notes.

On a motion from the Chair the Report was accepted unanimously

Records meeting minutes

Appendix 05

The Chair decided to give the word to the Jury SC Chair to propose motion n°3 with a rewording in order to accept embedded decisions not related to the reasons of the previous failure.

Motion n°4 Jury SC

To accept changes to the Jury handbook, to in in effect from April 1st 2019 (**Appendix 02/d**)

The motion was accepted unanimously

16 SAFETY AND EDUCATION SC REPORT

Michael Suchy (CZE): reported on behalf of the chair Bengt Stener (SWE) on the work of the Subcommittee. Detailed discussions and decisions can be seen in the Subcommittee notes.

Safety and education meeting minutes

Appendix 06

On a motion from the Chair the report was accepted unanimously

Motion n°1

Motion to updated Safety Officer's Handbook as presented to be accepted by the plenary.

The motion was accepted unanimously

17 COMPETITORS SC REPORT

Andrew Baird (USA): reported on the work of the Subcommittee. Detailed discussions and decisions can be seen in the Subcommittee notes.

The SC chair gave a full presentation of the Competitors Survey 2019

Competitors meeting minutes

Appendix 07

On a motion from the Chair the Report was accepted unanimously

18 RULES SC REPORT

Mark Sullivan (USA): on behalf of Uwe Schneider (GER) reported on the work of the Subcommittee. Detailed discussions and decisions can be seen in the Subcommittee notes.

Rules meeting minutes

Appendix 08

On a motion from the Chair the Report was accepted unanimously

18.1 AA WORKING GROUP MINUTES

Mark Sullivan (USA): reported on the work of the Working Group. Detailed discussions and decisions can be seen in the Working Group notes.

AA WG meeting minutes

Appendix 08a

On a motion from the Chair the Report was accepted unanimously

Motion n°1: to invest up to 2500 CHF for outsourcing design and development of the Gordon Bennett History & Legend website

The motion passed unanimously

Motion n°2: To approve the Gordon Bennett MER, Organizers Handbook and Social Media Guide 2019

The motion passed unanimously

18.2 AX WORKING GROUP MINUTES

Claude Weber (LUX): reported on behalf of the Chair Uwe Schneider (GER) on the work of the Working Group. Detailed discussions and decisions can be seen in the Working Group notes.

12:50 - Meeting adjourned for lunch

14:15 - Meeting resumed

AX WG meeting minutes

Appendix 08b

On a motion from the Chair the Report was accepted unanimously

Motion 1: that the AXMER are approved as presented

motion adopted unanimously

Motion 2: that the power to approve the rules, after AX-WG has checked the updated event rules with the adaptations to AXMER2019, be delegated to RSC

motion adopted unanimously

18.3 BX WORKING GROUP MINUTES

Luc van Geyte (BEL): reported on the work of the Working Group. Detailed discussions and decisions can be seen in the Working Group notes.

BX WG meeting minutes

Appendix 08c

On a motion from the Chair the Report was accepted unanimously

Motion 1: to accept the minor rule changes

motion adopted unanimously

Motion 2: to accept to add a new chapter with experimental tasks

motion adopted unanimously

18.4 SCORING WORKING GROUP MINUTES

Marc André (SUI): reported on the work of the Working Group. Detailed discussions and decisions can be seen in the Working Group notes.

Scoring WG meeting minutes

Appendix 08d

On a motion from the Chair the Report was accepted unanimously

18.5 SPORTING CODE SECTION ONE WORKING GROUP MINUTES

Les Purfield (GBR): reported on the work of the Working Group. Detailed discussions and decisions can be seen in the Working Group notes.

S1 WG meeting minutes

Appendix 08e

On a motion from the Chair the Report was accepted unanimously

19 NEW TECHNOLOGIES SC REPORT

Claude Weber (LUX): reported on the work of the Subcommittee. Detailed discussions and decisions can be seen in the Subcommittee notes.

New Technologies meeting minutes

Appendix 09

On a motion from the Chair the Report was accepted unanimously

20 PUBLIC AND MEDIA RELATIONS SC REPORT

Andrew Baird (USA): reported on behalf of **Debbie Spaeth (USA)** on the work of the Subcommittee. Detailed discussions and decisions can be seen in the Subcommittee notes.

P&MR meeting minutes

Appendix 10

On a from the Chair the Report was accepted unanimously

Motion1: Balloon Youth Camp Funding - to approve 2500CHF CIA Funds for each of three 2019 Balloon Youth Camps (in 3 locations), Brazil, Czech Republic and USA. (Ref Attachment PMR #8)

Marc Andre (SUI): What has been done about the request to come up with rules and regulations.

Andrew Baird (USA): I don't know, I only have the application form that has been developed.

Jean-Claude Weber (FAI): It is very important that the budget for these events is set the year before as expenses in the budget.

A discussion followed on the amount of funding per event and it was unanimously decided that the motion stands as is and that the SC will come up with a proposal for rules and regulations next year. And has to determine a maxime amount that they want to spend on it.

The motion was adopted unanimously

21 FAI STRATEGY WORKSHOP REPORT

Tabled to Friday

22 FAI TECHINCAL COMMISSIONS

22.1 FAI MEDICO-PHYSIOLOGICAL COMMISSION (CIMP)

The CIA representative David Bareford (GBR) reported on the commission meeting

Attachment 04

22.2 FAI ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

No report - The CIA representative Steve Ireland (AUS) gave a short verbal report

22.3 FAI EUROPE AIR SPORTS

No report, we have no delegate

22.4 FAI CASI

See published CASI Meeting Minutes

Reports approved unanimously

Nominations for Commission representatives for 2018:

FAI Medico-Physiological Commission	David Bareford (GBR)
FAI Environmental Commission	Steve Ireland (AUS)
Europe Air Sports	
CIA Representative to CASI.	Mark Sullivan (USA)

Nominees elected unanimously

23 NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF SC AND WG CHAIRS

No other nominations from the floor the following were elected as Chairs of the CIA Subcommittees for 2019 by acclamation:

SUBCOMMITTEE

Jury Board
Officials
Public and Media Relations
Records
Rules
Safety and Education
Event Development Services
Competitors
New Technology

CHAIRMAN

Hans Åkerstedt (SWE)
Steve Ireland (AUS)
Debbie Spaeth (USA)
Troy Bradley (USA)
Uwe Schneider (GER)
Bengt Stener (SWE)
Lindsay Muir (UK)
Andy Baird (USA)
Claude Weber (LUX)

On a motion from the Chair the Subcommittee Chairs were approved unanimously

16:00 - Meeting adjourned for coffee break

16:30 - Meeting resumed

Item n. 27 has been moved to be discussed before agenda item n. 24.

27 FAI World Air Games 2022 – Turkey

Markus Haggenny (FAI): Gave a thorough presentation and update of the WAG2022 Turkey.

Les Purfield (GBR): Gave his update as Liaison officer for the CIA. A presentation focused on the Ballooning event was given showing the facilities and area of operations.

24 EDS SANCTIONED EVENTS – NEW APPLICATIONS

No new events have been presented.

25 EDS REPORTS ON SANCTIONED EVENTS

25.1 REPORTS ON CAT1 SANCTIONED EVENTS – 2018

- Lux Trophy: a short presentation was given by Claude Weber (LUX)
- 3rd FAI Women's WHABC: a short comment given by Lindsay Muir (GBR) and Jerzy Czerniawski (POL)
- 4th FAI Junior WHABC: a short comment from Dom Bareford (GBR)
- 23rd WHABC: Gerald Sturzlinger (AUT) gave a short comment
- 62nd Gordon Bennett: Marc André (SUI) gave a short presentation and video

25.2 REPORTS ON SACNTIONED EVENTS – 2019/2020

Sanctioned events were presented to the plenary with short videos or verbal reports.
No discussions

25.2.1 21ST FAI EUROPEAN HOT AIR BALLOON CHAMPIONSHIP 2019 - SPAIN

Ricardo Aracil (ESP): gave a long presentation on the event

Jury Members approved by Bureau December 2018 are:

- Thomas Fink – Jury President
- John Grubbstrom - Member
- Luc Van Geyte – Member

25.2.2 63RD COUPE AERONAUTIQUE GORDON BENNETT - FRANCE

A short presentation was given by Benoit Pelard (FRA)

Jury Members approved by Bureau January 2019 are:

- Jean Claude Weber – Jury President
- John Grubbstrom - Member
- Martine Besnainou – Member

25.2.3 24TH FAI WORLD HOT AIR BALLOON CHAMPIONSHIP - SLOVENIA

A short presentation was given by Branko Ambrozic (SLO)

Jury Members are:

- Les Purfield – Jury President
- Paolo Oggioni - Member
- Maury Sullivan – Member

Motion to appoint the jury passed unanimously

14 March 2019, 18:00 - Meeting adjourned

15 March 2019, 9:00 - Meeting resumed

Roll call – all delegates present no change in quorum and voting numbers

21 CIA STRATEGY WORKSHOP REPORT

Claude Weber (LUX): gave a very deep report of the outcome from the Strategy Workshop that was conducted during the two days before the Plenary. The Workshop was a very positive moment for the group of Delegates and observers that participated.

Following the report, representatives from the five workshop working groups gave their feedback for each single domain and the mission statements from each group.

It was agreed that also during next years working group days and plenary session we will need time to follow up on what develops during the year.

On a motion from the chair the workshop report was approved

Motion 2: to mandate the CIA Bureau to coordinate the implementation of the mission statements and objectives.

The motion was approved

Motion 3: to have two two-hour sessions in the plenary for the follow-up of the working groups

The motion was approved

Motion 4: to create an organizer and event support working group

The motion was approved

25.3 EVENTS TO BE SANCTIONED - CAT1

25.3.1 1ST WOMEN EUROPEAN CUP, 3RD CENTRAL EUROPEAN CUP, 39TH HUNGARIAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP AND 4TH SZEGED BALLOON CUP – SZEGED, HUNGARY 2019

This topic was discussed after point 25.3.4 at 10:20 in the morning

A presentation to the Plenary was given.

The event was sanctioned unanimously

10:40 - Meeting adjourned for coffee break

11:10 - Meeting resumed

Jury Members are:

- Johan Furstner – Jury President
- Vladimir Karnaukov - Member
- Hans Åkerstedt - Member

Motion to appoint the jury passed unanimously

25.3.2 SLOVENIAN OPEN NATIONAL HOT AIR BALLOON CHAMPIONSHIP (2020 WHABC PRE-EVENT) – SLOVENIA 2019

A presentation to the Plenary was given.

Jury Members are:

- Sandor Hidas – Jury President
- Paolo Oggioni - Member
- Stefan Handl – Member

Motion to appoint the jury passed unanimously The event was sanctioned unanimously

25.3.3 4TH CENTRAL EUROPEAN CUP AND 5TH SZEGED BALLOON CUP – SZEGED, HUNGARY 2020

The event was sanctioned unanimously with topic 25.3.1

25.3.4 4TH FAI WOMEN'S WORLD HOT AIR BALLOON CHAMPIONSHIP - POLAND 2020

Lindsay Muir, EDS Chair: The event was assigned to Croatia in 2018 but for various reasons the sanction was pulled. Poland sent in this bid 60 days before the Plenary and therefore it is on the agenda, but EDS cannot endorse this event as it is a very late bid.

Lindsay Muir, EDS Chair: asked the Plenary if they wanted to hear the bid or reject it.

Sanne Haarhuis (NED): I would like to hear the bid as I participated in last year's event and all went well and hearing rumors from the background, I think women would like to have a championship in the normal time frame.

Lindsay Muir, EDS Chair: I would also like to say that we have a bid from Australia for the same event in 2021.

Arkadiusz Iwański (POL): The organizers sent in their application in time but did not get any answer from EDS. Then I contacted Paolo (Oggioni – CIA Secretary) and finally found out that the event was in agenda. The event is exactly the same as last year, so all documents were a copy and paste. I think we should hear the bid.

Lindsay Muir, EDS Chair: This does not change the fact that it is a late bid, completely outside time scale for submitting bids.

Les Purfield (GBR): as the chairman of the S1 WG, we have a set of rules for bidding for these events and over the last number of years we have accepted late bids which end up in a lot of work to people who have to ensure that the bid is correct and we must really accept these rules and work to the rules because as I said the last few years we had a number of opportunistic bids that come in late because people wait to see who's bidding and really we have rules. So as far as I am concerned, we should stick to our rules and try and stop this race to the bottom and have opportunistic bids coming in at a late stage.

Andrew Baird (USA): As SCS Chair I understand everything that Les is saying, it is a frustrate to receive a bid that is incomplete, it has happened many many times and it makes the job of EDS much harder, however I think we should put this in context we had this last year accepted and granted the sanction we asked the organizer to change the dates and as it transpired the support from the NAC could not come thru. It transpires to me as a competitor that we have a proposal to save the 2020 championship. We had a proposal yesterday to shorten the time limits to one year that would be a key to what we are now discussing. So we have to recognize the exceptional circumstances but I also think we don't want to take this out of context, we do

have two bids for this event, they happen to be in different years, and I think the Plenary needs to decide if A) Do you want to hear this bid? Or B) do you want to do a selection between the two.

Claude Weber (LUX): This situation seems to popup every year now, I do not want to comment to that specific bid, to the quality of that bid, generally I think it is very unfair because the bidding was closed last year and that was it. I think it is unfair to other that did not take that opportunity, did not try to squeeze in and their will to bid. So overall a think this is unfair bidding. We should open to all but then there would be lot of work and so I think we should stick to the rules as they are and if we feel that they are not good then we need to change them.

Martine Besnainou (FRA): I think we have also to consider that the organizer have experience so part of the job is already done and secondly we do this for the competitors, for the interest of the pilots, even if it is a lot of work.

Michael Suchy (CZE): we have increased categories of competition like women's, junior etc. and we do not have enough organizers; second thing every year we are faced with the same problem. Maybe we should consider a change in our rules as well. I think the will of our competitors is higher than our rules so I will vote for the bid of Poland.

Steve Ireland (AUS): I will make a general comment, something I have heard over the years, we, the Plenary, the Sub Committees, the Working Groups are here to maintain excellence and at the moment as Les was saying we are racing to the bottom by not maintain excellence, we are not obeying to our rules and tis is our Responabilities, all of us.

Paolo Oggioni (ITA): in EDS we did come up with a proposal to shorten the time of submitting bids. It was probably not thought thru correctly and maybe we should review it and resubmit to the S1 WG to apply only to the Women's and Junior championships.

Lindsay Muir, EDS Chair: yes, everybody did reject my proposal and I still think it is a very good proposal so we should go back and look at it. We can't enforce it retroactively it is too late.

Hikomori Soejima (JAP): last year we changed our rules to reopen our bid in case of no bid so why can't we open the bid for this.

Lindsay Muir, EDS Chair: I am not sure we can use that extension now. This is a very different situation as a sanction that has been awarded has not been seen thru to the end.

Marc André (SUI): I also would like to say that we should stick to our rules.

On a motion from the Chair to present the bid

A secret ballot was requested.

The motion passed by 20 votes in favor, 6 against and 1 abstention

Lindsay Muir, EDS Chair: We are going against rules again and just to clarify we will not accept late bids anymore. We will stop them right away and if they are not in the time frame, we will not even put them on the table for discussion.

A presentation to the Plenary was given.

Lindsay Muir, EDS Chair: now we need a motion to accept the bid or not

Andrew Baird (USA): just a comment, if we accept this bid then we cannot accept the bid from Australia as it is under the two-year time frame. And secondly there has been a lot of discussion but have we received all the documentation for this event?

Lindsay Muir, EDS Chair: I did receive this morning all the documentation, but I did not have time to review them.

Paolo Oggioni (ITA): I have looked at the documents and they are embedded in the presentation they just gave. The organizational structure was in the presentation, the risk assessment as well although they skipped it completely, and the budget is there.

Lindsay Muir, EDS Chair: we still must look in to the documents and determine if they are satisfactory.

Dominic Bareford (GBR): I do not know what the procedure is here, but we cannot vote on this bid without hearing the Australian bid which is for the same event.

Lindsay Muir, EDS Chair: It was not our intention to hear the Australian bid now as this was thoroughly discussed within EDS and we would like to treat them as two separate events. Let me just ask Australia if you are prepared to move your event from 2021 to 2022 as discussed?

Steve Ireland (AUS): preferably not, we would like to stick to 2021 but we are a little flexible.

Gints Gailis (LAT): maybe we can change our rules once again and have Poland in 2020 and Australia in 2021, why not?

CIA President: If Poland can move to 2021 and Australia do not want to move then you have two bids and we go for a vote. It is up to you.

Steve Ireland (AUS): just want to say that we submitted all documents in time and we followed the rules.

Lindsay Muir, EDS Chair: this is getting far more complicated than what it is. We had thought thru it and we had a solution but may I suggest a brake so EDS can discuss or better we go thru the other bids and during the coffee break we find a solution.

Hikomori Soejima (JAP): may I ask the Secretary if this is against the Sporting Code?

CIA Secretary: The Sporting Code S1 clearly states that a European Championship may be held every year, a World Championship must be held two years apart.

**At this point the discussion was tabled and the EDS Chair went back to point 25.3.1
The discussion resumed after point 25.3.6**

Andrew Baird (USA): Yesterday we discussed if moving the women and junior worlds to odd years and the continentals to even years. It is beneficial to all to have the worlds in the same year. It eliminates the conflict with the WAG. But to be complaint with SC S1 we will have to skip a year, instead of a two-year gap we will need a three-year gap in order to switch those dates, if we stay with our SC. I would like to propose a motion, which is:

To approve an exception to our Sporting Code to allow Junior and Women's World Championships to be held in 2020 and in 2021 thereby resetting the event calendar to allow the Junior and Women's World championships in odd years and the Junior and Women's Continental Championships in even years.

Sanne Haarhuis (NED): so now we can also have a Junior Worlds in 2021

EDS Chair: It is under the rules as exceptional circumstances and if some ones to propose it I am sure the plenary will accept.

The Motion passed unanimously

Sanne Haarhuis (NED): so, I would like to propose a motion to reopen the bid process for the 2021 Junior Championship.

Claude Weber (LUX): to clarify this extends to six months from now and it will be a bureau decision.

The Motion passed unanimously

The event was sanctioned unanimously

25.3.5 4TH FAI WOMEN'S WORLD HOT AIR BALLOON CHAMPIONSHIP - AUSTRALIA 2021

In force of the motion carried in previous topic 25.3.4 this Championship had to be renamed in:
5th FAI Women's World Hot Air Balloon Championship

A presentation to the Plenary was given.

The event was sanctioned unanimously

25.3.6 22ND FAI EUROPEAN HOT AIR BALLOON CHAMPIONSHIP – SZEGED, HUNGARY 2021

This topic was discussed after point 25.3.1 and 25.3.3

Marc André (SUI): the two previous events that we have just sanctioned the entry fee was between 100 and 200 euros and now for the Europeans it is 800. Can you please let us know what is the difference?

Zoltan Pálhegyi (HUN): The opening and closing ceremony will be different and better plus we need much more officials.

The event was sanctioned unanimously

26 EDS CHAMPIONSHIP CALENDAR AND EVENTS OPEN FOR PROPOSAL

- (a) 2020 – 64th Coupe Aéronautique Gordon Bennett – Poland
- (b) 2022 – 25th FAI World Hot Air Balloon Championship – Poland

26.1 BIDS
No bids present at this time

26.2 INTENTION TO BID

26.2.1 2020 – 64TH COUPE AERONAUTIQUE GORDON BENNETT – POLAND
A presentation was given

26.2.2 2022 – 25TH FAI WORLD HOT AIR BALLOON CHAMPIONSHIP – POLAND
The intention to bid was withdrawn due to WAG2022

Open Calendar

Attachment 05

27 FAI WORLD AIR GAMES 2022 - TURKEY

Moved before agenda item n.24

28 INTERNATIONAL YOUTH CAMPS

The agenda item was discussed during the PMR SC timeframe no further discussion.

29 CIA FINANCIAL REPORTS

CIA President: gave a brief introduction of the financial situation of the CIA Ballooning Commission.

Jean Claude Weber (FAI): I would just like to clarify that we do not have losses but investments.

Claude Weber (LUX): We closed the year with a profit of 14.000 CHF but if you look at 2018 the income from logger rentals was 16.000 CHF. So, we need to be careful that we cannot live on the income from new projects.

The financial report 2018 was approved unanimously

A motion to the Plenary to empower the Bureau to develop and present to FAI the budget 2020

The motion passed unanimously

30 AWARD OF MONTGOLFIER DIPLOMAS

The Montgolfier Diploma for Contribution to development of ballooning was awarded to Phil Kavanagh (AUS)

31 AWARD OF SANTOS DUMONT GOLD AIRSHIP MEDAL

No Nominees were presented.

32 NOMINATIONS FOR FAI AWARDS

CIA President: reminded all delegates of the importance to find nominees for these awards.

33 CIA HALL OF FAME

Troy Bradley on behalf of the AAIBM gave a brief report
The FAI page for the Hal of Fame: <https://www.fai.org/page/cia-hall-fame>
The AAIBM Hall of Fame website: <http://www.balloonmuseum.com/fai-ballooning-commission.aspx>

Appendix 11

2019 Inductees:

- **Paolo Bonanno (ITA)**, Living
- **Norman Pritchard (GBR)**, Posthumous

2019 Nominations:

- No new nominations were made

34 ELECTION OF CIA OFFICERS

The Chair proposed a motion to move the election of CIA officers to a two-year term against the one-year term used up to and including 2018.

The motion passed unanimously

34.1 ELECTION OF THE CIA PRESIDENT

There was 1 candidate for the position
Mark Sullivan (USA) was elected by acclamation.

34.2 ELECTION OF THE CIA FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

There were 2 candidates for the position: Uwe Schneider (GER) and Claude Weber (LUX)
Claude Weber (LUX) was elected.

34.3 ELECTION OF THE CIA SECOND VICE PRESIDENT

There were 3 candidates for the position: Marc André (SUI), Andrew Baird (USA) and Uwe Schneider (GER)

Uwe Schneider (GER) was elected.

34.4 ELECTION OF THE CIA THIRD VICE PRESIDENT

There were 3 candidates for the position: Hans Åkerstedt (SWE), Marc André (SUI) and Andrew Baird (USA)

Andrew Baird was first elected as Second Vice President but could not take office because of internal regulations that exclude a Vice President of the same nationality as the President.
A second vote was necessary for the position.

There were 4 candidates for the position: Hans Åkerstedt (SWE), Lindsay Muir (GBR), Paolo Oggioni (ITA), Igor Miklousic (CRO) and Marc André (SUI)

Marc André (Sui) was elected.

34.5 ELECTION OF THE CIA SECRETARY

There were 2 candidates for the position: Paolo Oggioni (ITA) and Sanne Haarhuis (NED)
Sanne Haarhuis (NED) was elected.

35 ELECTION OF SC AND WG MEMBERS

No discussion.

All members listed in the SC and WG meeting minutes were approved.

A new Working Group was formed: **Organizers and Event Support Working Group**
The WG was formed with the following volunteers:

Maury Sullivan (USA) Chair

Benoit Pelard (FRA)

Hikomori Soejima (JAP)

Lindsay Muir (GBR)

Mark Sullivan (USA)

Markus Haggenev (GER) supporting member

Jean Claude Weber (LUX) supporting member

36 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

37 DATE AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

No bid received. The 2020 CIA Ballooning Commission Plenary will be held in Lausanne (Switzerland)

The dates proposed are the following:

Monday, 17th March 2020 – Bureau Meeting

Tuesday/Wednesday 18th/19th March 2020 – SC/WG and Strategy workshop meetings

Friday/Saturday 20th/21st March 2020 – Plenary meetings

APPENDIXES AND ATTACHEMENTS

App1 – CIA Bureau meeting minutes 2018-2019

App2 – CIA Jury Board meeting minutes 2019

App 2a – Jury board motion 1

App 2b – Jury board motion 2

App 2c – Jury board motion 3

App 2d – Jury board motion 4

App3 – CIA Officials meeting minutes 2019

App4 – CIA Event Development Services meeting minutes 2019

App5 – CIA Records meeting minutes 2019

App6 – CIA Safety & Education meeting minutes 2019

App7 – CIA Competitors meeting minutes 2019

App8 – CIA Rules meeting minutes 2019

App8a – CIA AA WG meeting minutes 2019

App8b – CIA AX WG meeting minutes 2019

App8c – CIA BABX WG meeting minutes 2019

App8d – CIA Scoring WG meeting minutes 2019

App8e – CIA Sporting Code Section one WG meeting minutes 2019

App9 – CIA New Technologies meeting minutes 2019

App10 – CIA Public and Media Relations meeting minutes 2019

App11 – CIA Hall of Fame meeting minutes 2019

Att1 – FAI Members List of delegates – March 2019

Att2 – Bureau decisions 2018-2019

Att3 – List of Jurors for 2019

Att4 – FAI Medico-Physiological Commission (CIMP) report

Att5 – Open Calendar for future events