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Minutes

of the
Annual Meeting
of the
FAI Rotorcraft Commission (CIG)

held in Lausanne, (Switzerland)
on Thursday 6th and Friday 7th March 2014
at the Maison du Sport International (MSI)

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2. Apologies

A P Herbert	President of Honour
Roger Gault	New Zealand (Alternate delegate)
Bernhard Luegstenmann	Switzerland (Delegate)

3. In Memoriam

John Matchett	Ken Wallis
Margarita Afanaskina	Valery Bolvachev
Gerd Luxbauer	Georgi Arbusov

4. Proxies and Votes

2 proxy votes were received. New Zealand to Germany; Belarus to Russia.

There were 10 votes present at the meeting, overall majority 6, and absolute majority 7.

5. Declaration of Conflicts of Interest

In accordance with FAI Regulations and the FAI Code of Ethics, delegates were asked to declare any Conflict of Interest prior to the start of the meeting.

No Conflicts of Interest were declared.

6. Minutes of CIG Meeting Lausanne 7th and 8th March 2013

The minutes were circulated in March 2013 and published on the CIG Website. These were unanimously recorded as a true record.

7. Minutes of CIG Bueau Meeting August 2013

The President stated that there was a single meeting before the Plenary being the only Meeting of the Bureau since last August 2013.

8. FAI General Conference Report

a) General Conference Oct 2013

The President's Annual Report to the FAI General Conference is on the CIG webpage having previously been circulated to CIG delegates.

The President gave an overview of items discussed at Conference:

- The General Conference was held in Kuala Lumpur
- The delegates were critical of the Executive Board and particularly the Finance Director.
- The next Air Sports Presidents Meeting will be held in Lausanne during May 2014 where problems with the Executive Board will be discussed.
- Electronic voting was introduced and was deemed a major success saving two and a half hours.
- Two new awards have been announced; the Breitling Milestone Trophy and the Breitling Youngster Award. Nominations are requested and are to be forwarded by the respective National Aero Clubs.
- Redbull Air Races recommence during 2014.
- Companion of honour was awarded to Mr Mike Heuer.
- The 2014 General Conference was due to be held in Bangkok but is to be moved due civil unrest.
- The 2015 General Conference will be held in Rotterdam.
- Mr Joun Louis Gaillard has been elected as Vice President for Africa.
- The Executive Board have increased access to ICAO.

b) Anti-Doping

Jacques Berlo advised that in June 2013 he had joined The Anti Doping Advisory Group and The Medico Physiological Commission (CIMP). His role was to oversee TUE Therapeutic Use Exception approvals.

The President explained that 2 names from within the Commissions athletes are required to be registered on the registered testing pool list. The list is valid for one year and names are required bi-annually. CIG and CIVA are two commissions that are not a concern to CIMP.

Konrad Geißler asked if alcohol was on the list of banned substances. Jacques Berlo advised it was.

Robert Hughes explained when testing for alcohol could be carried out, half an hour before the flying task and up to the end of the task. He stated that alcohol could be consumed sensibly during the rest periods of a competition. There were guidelines published on how much can be consumed without falling foul. Wolf-Dietrich Tesar asked if alcohol can be consumed in quarantine after the Navigation Task Event 1 has been flown. He was advised the answer was yes if no other flying duty was expected during that day.

The President explained the formation of an Anti-Doping Commission. The President nominated Mr Jacques Berlo due to his experience as a pharmacist. The proposal was accepted by the Commission and by the Executive Board.

9. FAI Sports Strategy

a. Breitling situation

The President reported that the Air Sports Presidents were unhappy. This would be discussed at their May meeting.

A document has been published informing organisers about how to use the Breitling branding.

b. FAME

Bob Henderson has become Chairman of FAME. Giancarlo Sergi, former CEO, has left. There would be reconsideration with regard to Sinergi being a stakeholder.

c. FAI Sporting Licences

The President reminded the Commission all competitors were required to possess a sporting licence. All Sporting Licences needed to be registered with FAI on the Sporting Licence database.

d. The Sports Director had nothing further to add.

10. Amendments to Championship Rules (Annex 'A')

The Chairman of The Rules Committee proposed a revision to the Sporting Code Section 9. The document was based on comments on the draft document issued in 2013.

UK delegate David Monks requested an alteration to Paragraph 7.2 with reference to the wording :

The team managers of the teams placed first, second and third will be awarded gold, silver and bronze FAI medals. Smaller FAI medals can be awarded to all members of the teams

Proposing

The team managers of the teams placed first, second and third will be awarded gold, silver and bronze FAI medals. Smaller FAI medals will be awarded to all members of the teams.

Approved.

He requested Paragraph 13.15 be removed from the proposal. He saw it as discriminatory as **only** he had provided his own bucket for use. This had been accepted as compliant by the FAI officials at the WHC 2012 Competition. It was the only bucket used in the competition complying with the specification of Annex 4.2. There were anomalies with all of the other buckets which the Chief Judge and the Organiser were made aware of. He asked if this rule had been created due to the actions of Austrian Team Manager who became visibly upset in the competition area whilst complaining directly to Jury member Jacques Escaffre (France).

The President requested that UK, Austria and the Rules Chairman find a solution that evening. The Commission would vote to approve any new proposals the next day. With the exception of proposed paragraph 13.15 the Chairman's proposals were accepted.

The President opening the Friday session asked if there had been a solution, David Monks said he felt it was more fair for all competitors to be able to provide their own equipment and not only the organising countries equipment for use, provided it passed scrutineering similar to that carried at IOC organised events offering discus and the javelins as a comparison. The Austrian delegate said it was not fair to allow this. The Chairman of the Rules was asked for his thoughts and he stated that the rules do not insist the Organiser has to supply equipment. It would not be fair for all or any country to bring their own equipment due to prohibitive costs. David Monks said he transported his equipment from the UK to Russia and had not presented any problems.

The President requested for the adoption of the proposed paragraph 13.15 to be included in section 9 of the Sporting Code. This was approved.

Event 5 was discussed. It related to how it was to be judged, the scoring could be amended. The event should be improved. The Chairman was instructed to give thought to this.

Russian Delegate Irina Grushina offered to compile a catalogue of manoeuvres for the event for marking purposes. The President proposed the offer be accepted.

The revised Rules are to be published on the CIG Webpage not later than 1st April 2014. On this date they would become the latest set of Rules.

11. Bids for future World Helicopter Championship

Marcin Szamborski presented the Polish bid. Bulletin no 1 is Appended to these minutes Annex No 'B'.

The President asked when The FAI Organiser Agreement would be signed and returned to FAI. The Polish Aero Club are expected to sign next week. The airport management was expected to sign later.

A test event at Gdynia would be held between the 13th and 17th of August 2014, named Polish Open Championship. Wolf-Dietrich Tesar asked if there would be training available. The reply was that it was for 5 days during the week before.

WD asked how many aircraft operate from the field. The answer was nominal as they are mostly associated with SAR.

WD asked if there is a facility for camping such as motor homes, Marcin replied this was under consideration.

Konrad Geißler asked if there would be fixed wing operation during the navigation exercise. The answer was very little.

Konrad Geißler asked what the fee would be. This was confirmed €875 per crew member, €750 Judge and €850 delegation members

WD Asked if there were customs at the airfield. This could be organised if required.

The Jury for both the Test and the WHC would be the same.

Robert Hughes advised on the process of approving the event.

The President asked the Commission if they would accept the bid. There were no objections and the event is approved in principle subject to the signing of the FAI Organiser Agreement.

The Jury for both events are David Hamilton, President, Konrad Geißler and W D Tesar members.

Wolfgang Perplies was proposed as Chief Judge - proposal approved

Alan Norris (UK) and Jury Petrenik (RUS) were proposed as Deputy Chief Judge. Alan Norris was approved (4 votes to 3). The President advised as Alan Norris was not present he would have advise FAI and CIG if he is intending to accept the position.

The President wished every success to Marcin and his team.

12. Proficiency Awards

The President requested the delegates encourage uptake of the scheme. It was a good way to promote CIG.

The first certificate (a Gold) has been issued to Hubert Gesang of Germany.

13. Internet Competition.

David Monks reported there had been no uptake on the internet competition.

14. FAI Rotorcraft Gold Medal – 2014 Nominations invited

a) Russian nomination – November 2013

The President expressed his disappointment that a nomination from Russian had not been accepted by FAI. It missed the deadline by a day or so.

The President requested proposals for next year.

President stated the official nominations for 2015 must be delivered in writing by the NAC not later than the end of November 2014 to the FAI Secretary-General with a copy to the CIG President.

b) Medal book

The President advised progress was well underway and explained how it would look. Eventually it would be presented to FAI as record of CIG history.

The President expressed his disappointment at the USA as it was the only country not to respond to a request for a copy of the Rotorcraft Gold Medal recipient's citations and photographs.

15. FAI CIG Webpages

There was continuing disappointment in the webpage. All Delegates were requested to provide regular information and news. Details of all records were to be published.

16. Finance

The President reported:

Opening Balance March 2013 CHF 23,102:00

Income CHF 0

Expenses

President's Travel and hotel CHF 4127:00

Plenary Dinner shortfall CHF 595:00

Current Balance CHF 18,380:00

17. Approval of International Judges Annex 'C'

Wolfgang Perplies has produced an updated list of International Judges and is published on the FAI website. The list was approved.

18. Any Other Business

- a) Problems with EASA and French Civil Aviation Authorities –Jacques Escaffre to report. The President advised as Jacques Escaffre was not in attendance the matter could not be discussed.
- b) Irina Grushina advised of competitions in Russia 14th & 15th June Moscow 2nd Air Races.; and The Russian Open 10th to 13th July in Kasan. Training would be available for 2 days.
- c) Wolf-Dietrich Tesar offered an invitation to Helidays fly-in Austria, the event will be held 6th & 7th September 2014, more details can be found on the Austrian Team website www.heli-team.at.
- d) Roy Harford invited all to attend and enter the Helicopter Club of Great Britain Air Games at Sywell on the 27th & 28th June. More information at www.hcgb.co.uk
- e) Konrad Geißler invited delegates to send crews to the German Open Helicopter Championships in Eisenach which will be held between July 24th-27th 2014.

19. Elections

Proposal by the President and supported by the Vice Presidents include the provision for a 3rd Vice president.

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| a. | President | There was one nomination DH was elected |
| b. | 1 st Vice President | There were 2 nominations only one accepted.
Konrad Geißler was elected. |
| c. | 2 nd Vice president | There was one nomination Irina Grushina was
elected |
| d. | 3 rd Vice President | There was one nomination J Berlo was elected |
| e. | Secretaries | There were 2 nominations David Monks and Peter
Shoeffler both were elected |
| f. | CASI Representatives | A P Herbert |

20. Date of Next Meeting

5th & 6th March 2015.

Bureau Meeting timetabled for Thursday morning .

Commission Meeting timetabled for Thursday afternoon and Friday morning.

The Plenary Meeting will take place on 5th and 6th March 2015 in Lausanne starting at 14.30 on 5th March 2015.

The Bureau will meet in Lausanne at 09.30 on 5th March 2015.

An informal dinner will be held on the evening of 5th March 2015.

N.B.1 Delegates are requested to submit their revised List of International Judges and Assistant Judges for 2014/2015 to the Chairman of the Rules Committee not later than 1st February 2015.

N.B.2 The Plenary Dinner with guests will take place on Thursday evening. Would you please advise the President and Secretary by mid-January the members in your party including any guests. If anybody has a special food requirement i.e. vegetarian would they please let the President know as quickly as possible.

These minutes prepared by David Monks were approved by the President of CIG on 26th March 2014.