Minutes

of the 66th Annual Meeting of the FAI Parachuting Commission (IPC)

held in Frankfurt, Germany on Saturday 23rd and Sunday 24th January 2016 at Hotel & Sports Academy Lindner
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MINUTES OF THE 66th PLENARY MEETING OF THE INTERNATIONAL PARACHUTING COMMISSION OF FAI

Hotel & Sports Academy Lindner, Frankfurt, Germany

23 – 24 JANUARY 2016

In the Chair: Graeme Windsor, President, IPC

Representing FAI
Ms Susanne Schödel, Secretary General, FAI
Mr Markus Haggeney, Sports and Marketing Director, FAI

1 WELCOME AND ROLL CALL

1.1 Welcome address
Dr. Henning Stumpp, President of DFV (German Parachute Association) welcomed the Delegates, Observers, FAI Officials and Bureau members. He welcomed all to Frankfurt and gave the attendance some information about the Frankfurt area. President Windsor thanked Dr. Stumpp for his kind remarks, and welcomed all who were in attendance, and also welcomed the FAI executives who were present – Secretary General Susanne Schödel, Sports and Marketing Director Markus Haggeney and Executive Board Members, Gillian Rayner and Niels-Christian Levin Hansen, the latter two being former IPC Bureau members.

1.2 In Memoriam
President Windsor opened the meeting and asked those present to stand for a moment, in memory of those in the skydiving community who had died since the last Plenary meeting. He noted in particular the loss of Vladimir Gazetov, the Russian IPC Delegate for many years, and Jan Andersson, the Finnish IPC Delegate, both of whom were very active, and dedicated to IPC.

1.3 Roll Call
A roll call was conducted by Markus Haggeney. The attendance list will be sent by FAI to Delegates. For privacy reasons it will not be posted on the FAI web site. See 1.7 below for roll call result.

1.4 Approval of Proxies
The following proxies had been received and were deemed valid –

Belgium to Spain  Greece to Ireland
Indonesia to Qatar  Kazakhstan to Germany
Lithuania to Austria  F.Y.R Macedonia to Bulgaria
New Zealand to Australia

1.5 Delegates’ address list.
The Delegates’ address list was circulated for updating, with those present asked to provide full details.

1.6 Declaration of Conflicts of Interests.
President Windsor called on those present to declare, either at this point or at any subsequent appropriate time, any potential conflict of interest which might exist. No conflicts of interest were declared.

1.7 Roll Call Result
The result of the roll call showed that there were 34 Delegates present in person, and there were 7 proxies, as listed at 1.4 above, giving a total of 41 votes. A simple majority would be 21 votes; a two-thirds majority 28 votes.
1.8 Ballot Count
It was agreed, without objection, that Ray Williams and Marylou Laughlin would assist the FAI Representative, M. Haggeney, in the counting of ballots.

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF 2015 PLENARY MEETING

2.1 2015 Plenary Minutes
The Delegates were asked to approve the Minutes of the 65th IPC Plenary Meeting held in Varshets, Bulgaria.
The 2015 IPC Plenary minutes, with the amendments and corrections in Annex 1 of the Plenary agenda, were accepted and approved.

3 FAI REPORT

3.1 FAI Report
Susanne Schödel, Secretary General, FAI, addressed the Plenary and conveyed the greetings of FAI President, Dr John Grubbstrom. S Schödel presented the FAI report to the Plenary meeting and, in a presentation, outlined the activities of FAI during 2015.
S. Schödel referred to an increase in FAI membership in areas outside Europe, in the Asian region in particular, to developments at FAI HQ in Lausanne and to work in the FAI Archives. The Secretary General also stated that a Mondial and a Canopy Piloting event were being looked at in relation to Breitling Sponsorship, but nothing had, as yet, been decided.

- Dr. Mubarak Suwailem Alsuwailem raised the issue of problems with NACs in some countries and asked from whence recognition of NACs comes, officially – is it from the national or regional Olympic Committee or from the national government Ministry of Sport or other government department. He also asked if FAI was recognised officially by the International Olympic Committee (IOC).
S. Schödel replied, stating that there was no one policy, as the situation differed from country to country, and it was noted that FAI was trying to resolve conflict issues in some countries where there were competing air sports bodies.
Gillian Rayner, FAI Executive Board Member, stated that FAI was aware of operating in a changing world, and that FAI had conducted a survey of the present position by contacting 50 countries as to the present state of air sports organisation. To date 18 responses had been received from the initial 20 requests sent out.

- Gernot Rittenschober, IPC Delegate, Austria, and Susan Dixon, IPC Webmaster and Media Liaison Officer, asked why the FAI website could not be logged onto, using an iPhone. It was noted that logging on could be done with a specific iPhone configuration.

- On the position regarding the status of Dr. Mubarak Suwailem Alsuwailem, and the situation with representation for Saudi Arabia, President Windsor stated that he believed that if the Saudi Arabia Olympic Committee says that Dr. Mubarak Suwailem Alsuwailem is the legitimate Saudi Arabian Delegate then G. Windsor believed this should be accepted. Ronald Overdijk, IPC Vice president and Delegate for the Netherlands stated that he thought the above to be a personal view and that FAI says it is the World Air Sports Organisation.
G. Rayner stated that there are two entities in Saudi Arabia, each claiming to be the NAC, and that the matter can only be resolved by the FAI General Conference.
M. Suwailem Alsuwailem stated that the older, FAI-recognised NAC in Saudi Arabia did not nominate any Delegates, to any Commission, whereas the newer NAC had received a government budget and had been given support from the National Olympic Committee. S. Schödel stated that to be a member of the IPC Bureau a person had to be a Delegate, and that the credentials for such had been withdrawn from M. Suwailem Alsuwailem by the NAC which was currently recognised as such by FAI. She further stated that FAI has asked the two organisations, the older FAI-recognised NAC, and the newer organisation which claimed to represent the majority of air sports in Saudi Arabia, to find a solution, but that nothing had been resolved up to the present (the time of the Plenary meeting).

The presentation by FAI Secretary General, Ms Susanne Schödel, is appended to these minutes, as Appendix A.
4.1 President’s Report

- IPC President Graeme Windsor referred to his report to the Plenary, Annex 2 in the agenda. He paid tribute to Richard ‘Buzz’ Bennett, who had diligently and with skill served IPC over the extraordinarily long period of 40 years, as Delegate for Canada, IPC Finance Secretary, as Chair of the Rules & Regulations Committee and with IPETA. R. ‘Buzz’ Bennett had made a very significant contribution to IPC and he, G. Windsor, recognised and acknowledged this. The Plenary applauded this recognition and tribute.

- President Windsor noted that there were now more IPC disciplines than previously, and this resulted in more committees and a consequent need for more volunteers to carry out the work of the committees. He noted that IPC has a very dedicated band of people who contribute so much. He was glad to see a pool of new Delegates and he thanked everyone who had made contributions to IPC work over the past year.

- 2015 had been a very busy year, and the Indoor Skydiving event in Prague, Czech Republic had been a great event. He noted that wind tunnels are growing in number and may become quite common in the coming years. This is a development on which IPC may be able to capitalise.

- President Windsor stated that he had attended most events held in 2015. He was guest at the PIA Symposium and at a USPA Board Meeting and he made a presentation on how IPC sees its future development and on IPETA.

- There were five Newsletters in 2015, to keep Delegates updated on IPC matters.

- President Windsor spoke of the great achievement by Alan Eustace; the high altitude jump which broke many records, the appeal to FAI in respect of the records claims paperwork submitted by the US NAC, the NAA, and the subsequent appeal to the Court of Arbitration for Sport, which is based in Lausanne.

- It was noted that work continues on the updating of parachuting competition records, and President Windsor thanked Randy Connell for his work in this area.

- During the year Skydive TV was ratified as IPC’s media partner, this ratification to date until the 2016 Plenary. The plenary will later discuss future arrangements, if any, with Skydive TV.

- There had been good co-operation with FAI during the year. S. Schödel and M. Haggeney were thanked for their help and co-operation. The IPC Finance Secretary, Doris Merz-Hunziker, worked well with the FAI office, but despite everyone’s best efforts the systems are not efficient, and ASCs need to manage and run their own accounts.

- IPETA – This is an exciting development. In February 2016 there may be a start, with a first Canopy Piloting (CP) Tour being held in conjunction with the Red Bull Air Race. The Road to Dubai CP tour is still being worked upon, and there are people in USA interested in possible IPETA events. President Windsor thanked Marylou Laughlin for her great work for IPETA and he thanked Gail Bradley for taking on the role of IPETA company secretary and finance director. President Windsor also thanked M. Haggeney for opening the door for IPETA with the Red Bull Air Race, and he ended on this topic by thanking everyone who had helped.

- WADA was referred to, and the fact that the organisation was not active with out-of-competition testing for parachutists. The importance of obtaining a Therapeutic Use Exemption certificate, where medically-prescribed drugs were being used by a competitor, was emphasised.

There were no questions to President Windsor’s report.

4.2 Decisions by the IPC Bureau

President Windsor reported on the IPC Bureau’s work and decisions during 2015, which appeared in Annex 3.

4.2.1 Bureau Decision #39, dated 28 November 2015, re FAI Controller, Canada 2016

Alberto Martin Paracuellos, IPC Delegate, Spain, noted that Bureau decision #39, made on 28 November 2015, was not in the annex, which itself was dated 11 December 2015. It was stated that this omission was an error, and that BD #39 had appeared in Newsletter No.5, dated 30 December 2015.
A. Martin Paracuellos stated that this decision, #39, regarding the appointment of an FAI Controller (for the 6th FAI World Canopy Piloting Championships, to be held in Farnham, Canada, 21-28 August 2016), following the untimely and sad death of Jan Andersson, who had been appointed to the position at the 2015 Plenary meeting, did not, in his opinion, follow procedure.

President Windsor stated that the Bureau is authorised to make decisions on matters that arise between Plenary meetings, and that this was what was done in the case. The Bureau had decided earlier in 2015 to await a replacement appointment until the 2016 Plenary meeting, but the Bureau was not then aware that the Organiser had asked for a replacement to be made as soon as possible, so that arrangements could be agreed. When that request became known the matter was reopened, on the renewed request, in October 2015, of the organiser, and Marylou Laughlin was appointed by the Bureau. The CP Committee Chair, A. Martin Paracuellos, asked that the matter be deferred until the Plenary and Dr Rainer ‘Exi’ Hoenle stated that he had nominated Elisabet Mikaelsson for the post of FAI Controller, and that this nomination was supported by the CP Committee.

President Windsor stated that it made a lot of sense to appoint M. Laughlin FAI Controller as she had acted in that capacity at the 8th FAI World Cup of Canopy Piloting & 4th FAI European Canopy Piloting Championships, at Farnham, Canada, 25 - 29 August 2015, and her appointment would ensure continuity as she was familiar with the competition site. M. Laughlin would not be a scrutineer for this vote and Randy Connell was accepted as scrutineer in this instance.

The result of the Ballot was – Of the 40 votes cast, 27 voted ‘No’ and 12 voted ‘Yes’, with one abstention. The vote therefore indicated that the Plenary believed the correct procedure had not been followed.

The CP Committee will nominate an FAI Controller for the event.

4.2.2 Bureau Decisions approval
All other Bureau Decisions, Nos. 1 to 38 inclusive, were accepted unanimously by the Plenary.

5. GENERAL ISSUES - Strategic Plan, Website and Media, IPETA, CISM, Ranking System

5.1 Strategic Plan
President Windsor presented the updated Strategic Plan and he gave the background to its formation and development. The overall aim was to present parachuting as an Attractive and Dynamic sport, and to pursue Excellence.

The plan had been amended in 2013 and the aim of ‘Greater Autonomy’ had been added. There was now one change for 2016 – the pillar ‘Promotion of Safety’ was being dropped from the plan, as this was deemed to be superfluous, in that IPC should continuously promote safety as an integral part of our sport.

There are now 4 pillars to the Strategic Plan – Competition Format Presentation, Selection Process for International Events, Financing, Greater Autonomy.

The meeting, by a show of hands, unanimously approved the revised Strategic Plan, there being no dissenting voices.

The Strategic Plan presentation, as accepted by the Plenary Meeting, is appended to these minutes, as Appendix B.

5.2 Website and Media Liaison

5.2.1 Website and Media Liaison Report
The IPC Webmaster and Media Liaison Officer, Susan Dixon, referred to her report, agenda Annex 4, and reported that she had attended seven FCEs in 2015, to provide reporting and media coverage.

S. Dixon posed the question as to where IPC would go in the future as there are limitations with the FAI website. She stated that it is doubtful if these problems can be resolved, as the website platform is so outdated and badly written that it is not possible to do anything much with it. A frequent enquiry was about website access with a mobile phone.

Presently there is an issue of IPC being unable to post directly on the FAI/IPC website. There should not be any such problem as all documents had prior Bureau approval and so a system to allow for direct posting by the IPC Webmaster could be found.
S. Schödel stated that she would investigate the possibly for direct posting, upon Bureau approval of a document, and she also explained how to access the web using an iPhone.

President Windsor thanked S. Dixon and Fay Kimble for their excellent work on the website and on media matters, and the Plenary acknowledged this work.

5.2.2 Confirmation of IPC Webmaster and Media Liaison Officer
This matter would be dealt with under section 27, Elections and Appointments (see 27.6 for result).

5.3 IPETA
IPETA issues had been reported upon in the Open Meeting on Wednesday 20 January. IPC Directors are prepared to stand again for election and this matter will be dealt with under section 27, Elections and Appointments. (see 27.3 for result)

5.4 CISM
Colonel Gernot Rittenschober, CISM Representative and IPC Delegate for Austria, presented his report, outlined developments and activities during the year, and noted two forthcoming events, at Kubinka, Moscow, in July 2016 and at Warendorf, Germany, in July 2017.
He made a presentation to the Plenary and showed a scoring system/display, and stated that it is being worked upon to have it available for iPhone access.
It was noted that there are now Junior and female categories in CISM events.
Col. Rittenschober thanks President Windsor and the IPC Committees for their support.

In response, President Windsor said it was quite a long time since IPC had such an active CISM representative and Col. Rittenschober was thanked for his work.

The CISM presentation is appended to these minutes, as Appendix C

5.5 Ranking System
S. Dixon reported that the website shows rankings at the end of 2015, with Speed Skydiving and Wingsuit to be listed. The Roll of Honour is to be updated and backdated, by input from the Committee Chairs. For World Games, Poland 2017, rankings from previous performances are being used, rather than the ranking list.

At this point it was brought to the attention of the Plenary that there was no internet access, nor had there been for the vast majority of people since arrival. The Organiser stated that every effort was being made to rectify the situation.

5.6 Skydive TV
During the year the Bureau approved Skydive TV as IPC’s official media partner, to date until Plenary 2016 met.
A very good presentation had been made on Friday 22 January. President Windsor will ask the Plenary to approve Skydive TV as IPC’s official media partner (see last clause in this paragraph).
R. ‘Exi’ Hoenle queried the cost of an arrangement.
President Windsor stated that to cover an Indoor Skydiving event in 2016 and the Chicago Mondial and the Wingsuit Flying WPC in Florida, a worst-case scenario would result in a cost of about US$ 5,000 to IPC. However, there was a possibility that sponsorship could cover this cost, or part thereof.
In response to a question Sammy Vassilev of Skydive TV, said that skydiving only would be covered by Skydive TV, and not other air sports, as his company was not familiar with the other air sports.
S. Schödel, Secretary General, FAI, stated that she was looking forward to co-operating on this project. She also stated that FAI/IPC need to determine the exact relationship with Skydive TV.
President Windsor said that every event will be on a case-by-case basis with all aspects covered.

President Windsor proposed that IPC continue to work with Skydive TV as IPC’s official media partner. This proposal was carried unanimously.
5.7 Czech Letter re long-term Competition Planning
Sarka Blaskova, IPC Alternate Delegate, Czech Republic, referred to Annex 74 regarding timing of events, and stated that at least a year lead time for competitions was needed, to pursue sponsorship or government support, which was not available at short notice.

It was noted that the FAI calendar could be used as a help to pre-plan, citing competitions in a specific year, but without exact dates or countries, as the bids would not be received nor approved when these listings were agreed to.

President Windsor stated that the Extended Bureau discussed this issue and agreed with the concept of bids having to be made at earlier dates. One way of helping with would be to pre-name particular years for particular events, allowing potential organisers to have more time to prepare bids and seek sponsorship and support.

It was further noted that the Bidding Book will be updated.

5.8 IPC Records Officer
At the request of the FAI office, IPC had appointed an IPC Records Officer, to hold office until this Plenary meeting. The job description is included in the Internal Regulations proposal in Annex 58 (under addition to Annex 5 of the IRs) and the position would not be at a financial cost to IPC. Other means of meeting any expenses incurred will be sought.

The appointment of an IPC Records Officer was deferred until section 27, Elections and Appointments, of the agenda (see 27.7 for result).

6 FINANCE

6.1 Financial Report
Doris Merz-Hunziker, Finance Secretary, noted that her report and financial figures are in the agenda.

She stated that there is very good co-operation with the FAI office, but that some difficulties remain and that she is working with FAI to resolve these.

D. Merz-Hunziker noted that the Mondial bid application fee of 3,990 Euro had recently been paid, as this matter had been overlooked when the bid was accepted.

The 2015 Balance sheet and Income & Expenditure Statement were displayed and discussed. There had been a net loss of 10,050 Euro in 2015. The payment to IPETA is not included as an item of expenditure, as this is a loan. Bid application fees are not noted as income as some at least will be refunded.

The accounts were accepted by the Plenary.

The finalised Financial Report for 2015 is appended to these minutes as Appendix D

6.2 Budget 2016
Budget 2016 was not yet finalised as the matter of bid acceptance/competition approval had yet to be considered.

An explanation was given of funds allocated to Committees and Working Groups, and other expenses explained.

The Budget 2016 was approved by the Plenary

6.3 Budget 2017
The 2017 Budget was deferred until Sunday, to allow for the effect of any Plenary decisions (allocation of competitions) upon it.

The 2016 and 2017 Budgets appear as Appendix E to these Minutes

14:00 Saturday, 23 January 2016 – A roll call was conducted.
There were 35 Delegates present, holding 7 Proxies, giving a total of 42 votes.
Two-thirds majority 28, simple majority 22.
7 | ASIANIA

7.1 ASIANIA REPORT
Faye Cox, Secretary, ASIANIA, presented an ASIANIA report and spoke on the aims of the organisation, and outlined its history and its present status.
In 2015 ASIANIA Championships were held, in conjunction with the China International Open Championships. 300 participants from 18 countries participated and a Judges’ Training Course was held during the event.
In 2013 ASIANIA was recognised by the Olympic Council of Asia (OCA) as the official body for the promotion of all air sports in Asia, but the ASIANIA agm decided to remain as a ‘parachuting only’ organisation and that it would not cater for all air sports.
Australia, Indonesia and UAE have indicated interest in hosting future events, but nothing firm has been decided or arranged.

7.2 Mubarak Suwailem A Al Suwailem Report
- M. Suwailem A Al Suwailem referred to his report in the agenda, Annex 8, and spoke of the success of ASIANIA over the years.
- An Asian air sports federation was being set up, without ASIANIA being informed, and this was not good. The ASIANIA agm in China decided to continue to cater for parachuting only. He asked that IPC be involved in all developments concerning parachuting in Asia.
- S. Schödel stated that FAI was approached by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) regarding an involvement in the Olympic Games to be held in Tokyo in 2020, and FAI was asked to make a proposal for air sports participation in the Olympic programme in 2020.
- The Japanese NAC and FAI had to focus on the promotion of one air sport discipline for the games. FAI was one of five applications short-listed by the IOC; these five were from a total of 28 applications.
- President Windsor referred to the Asian Beach Games (which are regulated by the IOC) and reported that IPC had endeavoured to be part of the event in Phuket, Thailand in 2014, but that the application was not successful.
- M. Suwailem A Alsuwailem enquired as to the control of air sports in the Asian region, was it the Olympic Committee or some other body? This matter needs clarification.

8 | WORLD AIR GAMES

8.1 M. Suwailem A Alsuwailem thanked FAI and the Dubai Sports Council for the hard and excellent work done in having a successful World Air Games in Dubai in December 2015. He reported that there had been a large parachuting participation and that there had not been any parachuting accidents, There had been great media coverage for all air sports in WAG and the event may have given a signal that parachuting may soon be in the Olympics.

8.2 IPC 1st Vice President Dr. Rainer ‘Exi’ Hoenle, introduced Helmut Schlecht, FAI Event Director for Parachuting at WAG 2015, who had invited him at his, R. Hoenle’s, own initiative and expense, as a personal tribute to Mr. Schlecht's outstanding contribution to Parachuting on an international scale, and to Airsports generally at the WAG 2015.

R. Hoenle stated that without Helmut Schlecht the sequence of events which culminated in WAG Dubai 2015 would not have taken place. It had been a long road, from 2010 to this moment, and this made him ‘man of the day’.

The Plenary attendance acknowledged the work of Helmut Schlecht with a sustained standing ovation.

8.3 Helmut Schlecht responded and referred to, and acknowledged, the work and input of the following -
- The Higher Organising Committee of the Emirates Air Sports Organisation
- FAI, and in particular Susanne Schödel and Markus Haggeney
- The Staff of Skydive Dubai and his, Helmut Schlecht’s staff - Dr. Rainer ‘Exi’ Hoenle, Helmut Bastuck, Günter Berendt and Gernot Rittenschober

H. Schlecht said that he would pass on the Plenary’s thanks to all concerned and he was thankful for the invitation to speak at the Plenary.

8.4 President Windsor said that an FAI WAG review group had been established and that Committee Chairs had been asked to comment on the 2015 WAG. Any comments should be sent to G. Windsor for forwarding to the review group.

9 | COLPAR

9.1 COLPAR report
Gustavo Eduardo Reyes spoke on behalf of COLPAR and made a presentation, outlining the organisation’s history, aims and objectives and activities, and he referred to the World Air Games, where Brazil and Argentina had competed.

He gave details of future events organised in the Latin American region.

President Windsor thanked Gustavo Eduardo Reyes and noted the work being done to bring parachuting to all the countries in Latin America.

10 | WORLD GAMES

10.1 IPC World Games Liaison Officer, Elisabet Mikaelsson, reported on the World Games, to be held at Wroclaw, Poland, in July 2017.

Agnieszka Sobczynska-Solomon was E. Mikaelsson’s Polish liaison person and Jasper Williams was the Course Technical Director and E. Mikaelsson stated that without their invaluable help she could not do her work.

E. Mikaelsson gave details of the location and the airfield. There was no pond at present; this has yet to be built.

It was noted that the airfield will have to be shared with the other air sports participating in the WG.

10.2 FAI Perspective
M. Haggeney spoke on where FAI stood with WG at this point and said that the WG may be the event which will be the basis for an FAI event of air sports over a number of days.

With about 3,500 athletes competing the World Games are second only to the Olympic Games.

For Canopy Piloting there would be 36 athletes and officials allowed, but it was noted that Canopy Piloting needs 48 people, so this issue will have to be addressed.

The two other air sports which will take part are Glider Aerobatics and Paramotoring.

There will be a test event in 2016, including a CP format, which is presently being worked upon.

10.3 The Future with World Games
S. Schödel stated that the FAI aim was to cross over from the World Games to the Olympic Games.

Jiri Blaska, IPC Alternate Delegate for Czech Republic, stated that parachuting in WG started with three disciplines, but now there was one only, and he asked who decided this.

M Haggeney stated that the WG decided on what sports will appear; that FAI can only apply to be part of WG and that the World Games Association decides upon who and what will be included.

10.4 Future World Games
Following Poland 2017, the next World Games will be in Birmingham, Alabama, USA, in 2021.

E. Mikaelsson stated that nothing definite has been established and it is not possible to say what will be the case regarding parachuting in WG 2021.

10.5 President Windsor thanked E. Mikaelsson, A. Sobczynska-Solomon and J. Williams for their work on behalf of parachuting, on the WG project.
11 MONDIAL

11.1 Mondial 2016, Chicago, USA
The organiser of Mondial 2016, Rook Nelson of Skydive Chicago, addressed the meeting. He asked the meeting to approve the proposed changes to the Bid. President Windsor reported that, following discussion, the Extended Bureau approved the proposed changes. The proposed changes were approved by a vote, with 3 Delegates voting against and the rest approving.

11.2 The proposal by the Mondial organiser (Annex 10) to add Wingsuit to the event was withdrawn by the Organiser.

11.3 Future Mondials

11.3.1 Australia – A Letter of Intent to bid for a Mondial in 2018 was in the agenda (Annex 12). However, the Extended Bureau had decided not to have a Mondial in 2018, a 4-year cycle being preferred. Australia withdrew the Letter of Intent and stated that Australia will bid to host WPCs in 2018 instead.

11.3.2 UAE has expressed interest in holding a Mondial in Dubai in 2020, to coincide with EXPO 2020, which will take place there.

12 FREEFALL STYLE & ACCURACY LANDING

12.1 Günter Berendt, Freefall Style & Accuracy Landing Committee Chair, reported on 2015 activities and he stated that the 8th FAI European Freefall Style & Accuracy Landing Championships & 5th FAI Junior European Freefall Style & Accuracy Landing Championships, held at Erden, Montana, Bulgaria, 21-29 August 2015, had 121 competitors. He reported that the competition had been very well prepared and conducted. Some competitors were not, and are not, in the online database and this presents difficulty for an FAI Controller.
G. Berendt reported that there were 25 teams in WAG Dubai and that there had been problems with high winds for two days, which meant that Accuracy Landing jumping had to be curtailed for that period.

12.2 Proposals to amend Freefall Style & Accuracy Landing Competition Rules
The proposals to change the FS & AL Competition Rules, as outlined in the agenda and discussed and amended by the FS & AL Open Meeting and at FS & AL Committee meetings, were carried unanimously.
The rules changes are as follows -

Freefall Style & Accuracy Landing Competition Rules 2016

Rules Changes

6.1.2.1 Two separate sets of score sheets will be completed. The EJ and team captain/individual sign one copy, which goes to the Scoring section. The EJ retains the other copy. At least one judge will check the results of the scoring section.
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This will state that the score is valid. The EJ retains the other copy. At least one judges will check the results of the scoring section.
If the team captain/individual refuses to sign, the score will become valid after two hours if no protest has been filed.

7.3.....

2 junior male competitor
2 junior female competitor
N.B. Junior competitors who are part of their male or female AL team will also be ranked in the junior classification.
5.1.3. Wind Speed
A competitor who lands during the period 10 seconds before the wind speed exceeds the limit, while the wind speed is over the limit and 30 seconds after the period 15 seconds before the wind speed exceeds the limit, while the wind speed is over the limit and 30 seconds after.

5.1.7 Rejumps
If there is a change in ground wind direction of more than 90 degrees within 2 seconds when the wind speed is more than 3 m/s and automatically recorded by an electronic device, during the period commencing 30 seconds before and ending 15 seconds after.

Jump order clarification
4.2. Order of jumping
The order of jumping in the first accuracy round will be determined by reverse order of placing, separately for men and women, based on final results of team accuracy during the last World/Continental Championship. Teams and mixed teams not covered by this procedure, and competitors in the Accuracy Event only, will jump at the beginning or end of the first round, with order determined by draw, at the discretion of the Meet Director. In all other rounds, the jump order will be the reversed rank order after the last completed round.

Rationale: clarification

5.1.9.(2) Any national ‘team’ with less than four competitors will jump in mixed teams at the beginning or end of each round at the discretion of the Meet Director. After the first round the mixed teams jump in reverse order of placing. Members of mixed teams from different countries will be scored as individual contestants only.

5.1.9 (4) In the team accuracy event, the jump order, determined in para. 4.2 will be used for the first round only. Thereafter the jump order shall be in reverse order of placing after each round.

Rationale: 2 and 4 is double

The above FS&AL Competition Rules changes will be incorporated into the 2016 version of the FS&AL Competition Rules which will be posted on the FAI/IPC website.

12.3 Camera System for Accuracy Landing
G. Berendt reported that the majority of the committee cannot see the benefits of using a video system. It would probably cause more problems than it would solve. We cannot compete if we do not trust the judges.

12.4 Future FS & AL Competition Bids

12.4.1 Mondial Chicago 2016
There was nothing further to report on this - see 11.1 above.

12.4.2 Montenegro Bid to host the 9th FAI European Freefall Style & Accuracy Landing Championships and 6th FAI European Junior Freefall Style & Accuracy Landing Championships 2017
A bid from Montenegro, Annex 15 in the agenda, to host the above-named championships in Podgorica, Montenegro, 23-31 August 2017, was received. The application fee had been paid, but there was no Delegate from Montenegro in attendance to present the bid. The FS & AL Committee recommended this bid and it was accepted unanimously by the Plenary.

12.4.3 Bulgarian Bid to host the 35th FAI World Freefall Style & Accuracy Landing Championships 2018
A bid from Bulgaria, Annex 16 in the agenda, to host this competition in Erden, Montana, Bulgaria, 17-26 August 2018, was presented by Ani Stamenova, the IPC Delegate for Bulgaria. The FS & AL Committee recommended this bid and it was accepted unanimously by the Plenary.
12.5 **World Air Games – Medals for Accuracy Landing**

M. Haggeney reminded the Plenary that medals had not been presented, regrettably, at the Awards Ceremony at WAG Dubai 2015, to the winners of the individual categories, male and female, in Accuracy Landing.
The Delegates for Belarus, China, France and Russia were called upon to receive the medals, which were presented amidst applause.

### 13 FORMATION SKYDIVING AND VFS

#### 13.1 Formation Skydiving Report

Trude Sviggum, Formation Skydiving Committee Chair, presented the FS report for 2015, Annex 20 in the agenda, and outlined 2015 activities.

She referred to the 20th FAI World Cup of Formation Skydiving & 13th FAI European Formation Skydiving Championships, held at Teuge, The Netherlands, 07–13 Sept. 2015, the 1st FAI World Indoor Skydiving Championships, held at Hurricane Factory, Prague, Czech Republic, 21–24 October 2015 and the World Air Games, held at Dubai, UAE, 01-12 December 2015.

#### 13.2 Future Formation Skydiving competition bids.

##### 13.2.1 Mondial

There was nothing further to report on this - see 11.1 above.

##### 13.2.2 Australia will bid to host a WPC in 2018.

Gail Bradley, IPC Delegate for Australia stated that, following the withdrawal of the Letter of Intent (see 11.3.1 above) a bid will be forthcoming from Australia to host WPCs in FS, Canopy Formation, Artistic Events and Speed Skydiving in 2018.
The deadline for the bid is 30 June 2016.

##### 13.2.3 German bid to host World Cups and European Championships in 2017

Dr Rainer ‘Exi’ Hoenle, IPC Delegate for Germany presented a bid to host the 14th FAI European Formation Skydiving Championships; 11th FAI European Artistic Events Championships; 7th FAI European Canopy Formation Championships; 2nd FAI European Speed Skydiving Championships - 21st FAI World Cup of Formation Skydiving; 12th FAI World Cup of Artistic Events; 9th FAI World Cup of Canopy Formation; 3rd FAI World Cup of Speed Skydiving at Saarlouis, Germany, 07-13 August 2017

The bid was a late bid and was not on the Plenary agenda. Therefore it required a two-thirds supporting vote to be placed on the agenda. This was achieved.

Helmut Bastuck, Managing Director, DFV, introduced the bid and gave details. He pointed out that Saarlouis had hosted the World Cups and European Championships in 2011 and the German National Championships in 2015, so experience in running these events existed there.

D. Merz-Hunziker asked if there would be changes to the entry fees if the proposed FS Competition Rules changes, regarding the number of rounds, were adopted.
The reply was that the fees would reflect any rules changes, and the revised bid would be presented to the Plenary on the following day, Sunday 24 January.

It was noted that there would not be a limit to the number of teams that can enter, and Germany was thanked for including Canopy Formation in the bid.

It was agreed that the bid would be discussed by the Committees and would be returned to on Sunday 24 January. (see 26.1 below)

#### 13.3 Proposed Changes to the Formation Skydiving Competition Rules

Mark Szulmeyer, proposed new Chair of the FS Committee, presented the proposed FS Competition Rules changes, as listed below.

**FS Rule changes 2016**

Remove cut for FS & VFS ... all teams to be permitted to complete all rounds.
Current:
3.2.2.1 If two or more teams have equal scores the following order of procedures will be applied:
3.2.2.1.1 For entry into the semi-final and the final rounds:
   i. the highest score in any completed round,
   ii. the highest score starting with the last completed round and continuing in reverse order, round by round until the tie is broken,
   iii. the fastest time (measured to hundredths of a second) to the last common scoring formation in the last completed round.
3.2.2.1.2 For determination of the final placings:
   i. one tie break round, if possible (for the first three placings only). The tie break round will be the next drawn round of the competition,
   ii. the fastest time (measured to hundredths of a second) to the last common scoring formation in the last completed round.

6.4. Program of Events:
6.4.1. The World/Continental Championships or World Cup is comprised of:
   Formation Skydiving Events:
   • Up to 8 rounds considered as selection rounds, and
   • Final rounds, consisting of one semi-final and one final round.
   Vertical Formation Skydiving:
   • Up to 6 rounds considered as selection rounds, and
   • Final rounds, consisting of one semi-final and one final round.
6.4.2. Time must be reserved before the end of competition to allow for the completion of the semi-final, final and tie break round.
6.4.3. The semi-final round will consist of the teams with the 10 highest placings after the selection rounds.
6.4.4. The final round will consist of the teams with the 6 highest placing’s after the semifinal.
6.4.5. A selection round left incomplete must be completed as soon as possible, but after the round in progress has been completed.
6.4.6. If all the selection rounds are not completed at the starting time of the semi-final, the round in progress will become the semi-final or final round as appropriate. Where this is the semi final, the next drawn round will be used for the final round. The following procedures will apply
   i. The round in progress will be completed if ten or less (in the case of semi finals) or six or less (in the case of finals) teams remain to jump. All scores for this round will count.
   ii. The round in progress will be performed by only the ten (in the case of semi finals) or six (in the case of finals) highest placed teams if more than ten (in the case of semi-finals) or six (in the case of finals) teams remain to jump. The scores of any other teams in this round will be discarded.
6.4.7. The competition will be organised during a maximum time frame of 5 competition days. Exceptions may be made where a bid is received for multiple FCE competitions at one time.

Proposed:
3.2.2.1 If two or more teams have equal scores the following order of procedures will be applied for determination of the final placings:
   i. one tie break round, if possible (for the first three placings only). The tie break round will be the next drawn round of the competition,
   ii. the fastest time (measured to hundredths of a second) to the last common scoring formation in the last completed round.
6.4. Program of Events:
6.4.1. The World/Continental Championships or World Cup is comprised of:
   Formation Skydiving Events:
   • Up to 10 rounds
   Vertical Formation Skydiving:
   • Up to 8 rounds
   Indoor Formation Skydiving:
   • Up to 10 rounds open
Up to 8 rounds junior

Indoor  Vertical Formation Skydiving:
  • Up to 8 rounds

6.4.2. Time must be reserved before the end of competition to allow for the completion of the tie break round.

6.4.3. The competition will be organised during a maximum time frame of 5 competition days. Exceptions may be made where a bid is received for multiple FCE competitions at one time.

Rule 4.6.4 - remove
Remove rule 4.6.4 (Tunnel) which imposes a one point penalty for “intentional” wall/floor contact.
Experience has shown that contact with the wall/floor is disruptive to the team and in fact slows down the team performance so there is no need for an additional point score penalty.

Rule 5.3 Indoor reduced speed judging
For indoor competitions, allow judging at between 50-90 percent reduced speed instead of the current 70-90 percent.

5.4.1(Skydiving) & 5.3.1(Indoor) Absolute call modification.
Modify rule 5.4.1(Skydiving) & 5.3.1(Tunnel) to allow a super majority decision in the case of an absolute infringement being called instead of a unanimous decision i.e. a 4 to 1 decision in favour will uphold the absolute. This will then be in line with how an absolute call is managed in other disciplines.

Current:
5.4.1 … If the review results in a unanimous decision by the Judges …

Proposed:
5.4.1 … If the review results in a minimum four to one judge decision by the Judges …

Identical change in Tunnel rule 5.3.1

Rule 7.1.5 (Skydiving) & 7.1.6 (Indoor) - remove
“Any side-body link-up requires an arm grip and a leg grip on the same person.”
This is to remove the infringement of a hand-on-hand grip e.g.: block 19 – ritz-pick which is difficult to judge and results in many unnecessary judgement calls. No other formation is specifically defined.

VFS Formation name housekeeping:
Change names on some of the VFS formations (as discussed last year)
Block 10 - Change to Bill/Bill instead of Boule/Bill
Block 15 - Change to Bolepi/Bolepi instead of Bipole/Bolepi
Block 17 - Change to Zins/Zins instead of Zin/Zan

Random C - currently has 2 names. Use Shoeshine, remove Foot Fetish.

Indoor Formation Skydiving - Adopt easier dive pool and less flights (8) for junior division

ADDENDUM – C
IPC FS Dive Pool Adjusted for Tunnel Sizes

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The above proposals were adopted unanimously.

The above Formation Skydiving Competition Rules changes will be incorporated into the 2016 version of the FS Competition Rules which will be posted on the FAI/IPC website.

13.4 Future Competition Rules Changes
Delegates were invited to present suggestions to change the 4-way dive pool for next year, for Plenary 2017. The Bureau mid-year meeting in 2015 suggested that efforts should be made to confine competition rules changes to every two years, rather than having changes at every Plenary.

13.5 President Windsor thanked Trude Swiggum for her leadership of the Formation Skydiving Committee. He noted that she had taken over as Committee Chair in tragic circumstances and had done a very good job.

14 CANOPY FORMATION

14.1 Rina Gallo, Canopy Formation Committee Deputy Chair, presented the CF Report for 2015, which had been prepared by Lindy Rochow-Williams, Committee Chair during 2015.

14.2 Proposed Changes to the Canopy Formation Competition Rules
Rina Gallo, proposed new Chair of the CF Committee, presented the proposed CF Competition Rules changes, as listed below.

Proposed changes to Section 5 - CF for 2016:
ADD:
SC 5 3.2.10 - Categories of Competition Records

(4) CF
General Category – best performance achieved
Female Category – best performance achieved by a women’s team.

Proposed changes to CF CR 2015 for 2016:
Currently:
2.8 Omission: A formation or inter missing from the drawn sequence or no clear intent to build the correct formation or inter is seen, and another formation or inter is presented.

New wording:
2.8 Omission: is one of the following:

1. A formation or inter missing from the drawn sequence.
2. No clear intent to build the correct formation or inter is seen and another formation or inter is presented and there is an advantage to the team resulting from the substitution.

Reason: to remove ambiguity and also dovetail rules with FS/VFS.

Currently: (2-way sequential)
5.1.4. Omissions: For each omission of a formation in a round, two points will be deducted from the score of that round otherwise obtained. However, the scoring will not be affected if the team goes back to correctly complete the omitted formation.

New wording:
5.1.4. Omissions: For each omission of a formation in a round, the team will not score the point for the omitted formation, and an additional two points will be deducted from that round as a penalty. However, the scoring will not be affected if the team goes back to correctly complete the omitted formation.

Reason: because 2 way is so fast, the penalty needs to be large enough to stop intentional omissions.

Currently: (4-way sequential)
5.2.4. Omissions: For each omission of a formation in a round, two points will be deducted from the score of that round otherwise obtained. However, the scoring will not be affected if the team goes back to correctly complete the omitted formation.

New wording:
5.2.4. Omissions: For each omission of a formation in a round, the team will not score the point for the omitted formation, and an additional one point will be deducted from that round as a penalty. However, the scoring will not be affected if the team goes back to correctly complete the omitted formation.

Reason: given the nature of the 4-way event, this penalty is in line with the 2-way event.

French Proposal and changes to the rules flowing from adoption of that proposal:

Currently:
3.5.2. Where more than one round is completed, the team that has the best score after discarding their lowest score in the completed rounds (a disqualification or penalty score may not be discarded), calculated as follows:

i the highest aggregate number of formations in the completed rounds.
ii tie break round (if possible) for the first three (3) places only.
iii the highest number of points in any completed round for each team.
iv the fastest time in the round(s) with the highest points.

New Wording:
3.5.2. Where more than one round is completed, the team that has the best score after discarding their lowest score in the completed rounds (a disqualification or penalty score may not be discarded), calculated as follows:

i the highest aggregate number of formations in all the completed rounds.
ii tie break round (if possible) for the first three (3) places only.
iii the highest number of points in any completed round for each team.
iv the fastest time (measured to hundredths of a second) to the last common scoring formation in the last completed round.

Currently:
4.10.2. Problems with a team’s equipment are not reasons for a rejump, except as determined in an NV situation.

New Wording:
4.10.2. Problems with a team’s equipment are not reasons for a rejump, except as determined in an NV situation and in 4.10.3.

4.10.3. In the event of an equipment malfunction, only one rejump may be granted per team, per competition event. This rejump will only be granted if the malfunction occurs before the team performs the first formation.

Evidence of the malfunction must be provided by the team. The meet director in conjunction with the Chief Judge will assess the conditions and
A rejump will be granted unless it is determined that there was an intentional abuse of the rules by the team; in which case, no rejump will be granted and the team’s score for that jump will be zero.

4.10.4. Contact or other means of interference, between a team and its videographer are not reasons for the team to request a rejump.

4.9.9. If the Video Review Panel determines that the freefall video equipment has been deliberately tampered with, the team will receive no points for all competition rounds involved with this tampering. **These rounds shall not be used as a worst performance discard.**

4.11.2. If a competitor, or team, is disqualified for a jump, they will receive zero points for that jump. **In this situation, the disqualification or penalty score shall not be used as the discarded round.**

**Housekeeping:**

6.2 The judges shall start the timing when the first team member (including the team’s videographer) leaves the aircraft. At the end of working time, freeze frame of the video image shall be applied.

6.2.1 6.3 The judges will watch each performance once at normal speed. At the request of any working judge, a second viewing at normal speed or reduced speed at 70% may be made. A (3rd) third view of part(s) of the jump can be conducted at normal or reduced speed at 70%, may only occur at the discretion of the Event Judge.

6.3.1 If, after all viewings are complete, and within 15 seconds of knowledge of the result, the Chief Judge, Event Judge or any Judge on the panel considers that an absolutely incorrect assessment has occurred, the Chief Judge or Event Judge will direct that only that part(s) of the jump in question be reviewed. If the review results in a minimum four to one judge decision by the Judges that an absolutely incorrect assessment has occurred on the part(s) of the jump in question, the score for the jump will be adjusted accordingly. Only one review is permitted for each jump.

- In the last sentence of 4.8.3 the comma should be deleted after “zero”. Same in 4.10.1
- 4.9.1 – the “if” either should be deleted or it should be rephrased as something like “if the Organiser has provided a video transmission system, it must be used by each freefall Videographer” or some such.
- Some rules capitalise Videographer; others do not. It should be consistent.
- Different fonts are used in the rules.
- 4.10.2 and 4.10.3 should say “grounds” not “reasons” for a rejump for consistency
- 4.10.3 no comma after “interference”
- 4.11.2 again, the commas offsetting “or team” are not necessary
- There are no page numbers on the document
- **Add:** “as shown in dive pool” to 2.2
- **Move:** Working time to be after “Omission,” to match FS order
- “Practice” jumps should be renamed “training” jumps for rationalisation within the CF CR rules themselves, not to mention with FS as well.
- **Delete:** 6.7 - the apostrophe; “judges” is the plural.
- 4.3 is indented too far

Dr Rainer ‘Exi’ Hoenle, IPC Delegate for Germany, queried the 1 point penalty for omission in 4-way and the 2 point for omission in 2-way – 5.1.4 and 5.2.4 above. R. Gallo explained that the difference in the penalties was because 4-way was more difficult, and consequently the penalty was lesser than with 2-way.

The proposed CF Competition Rules changes were adopted unanimously.

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**The above Canopy Formation Competition Rules changes will be incorporated into the 2016 version of the CF Competition Rules which will be posted on the FAI/IPC website.**
14.3 R. Gallo thanked Lindy Rochow-Williams for all her hard work in chairing the CF Committee for the past six years and for the excellent work that had been done. President Windsor echoed R. Gallo’s thanks and expressed appreciation to Lindy Rochow-Williams for her dedication and work.

15 | ARTISTIC EVENTS

15.1 Ron Miasnikov, Artistic Events Committee Chair, reported on the Committee’s activities during 2015, and she thanked Germany for the bid to host World Cups and European Championships at Saarlouis in 2017, especially as this bid included AE.

15.2 Artistic Events Competition Rules proposed changes
Ron Miasnikov, Chair of the AE Committee, presented the proposed AE Competition Rules changes, as listed below.

Proposals for changes to competition rules 2016

- **Judging AE** – (CR AE 6.5.3, CR indoor freestyle 6.5.1)
  - At the discretion of the event judge, a 3rd view of a compulsory round video, or part of it is allowed, in normal or reduced speed (70%).

- **Outdoor AE** –
  - The committee recommends not changing the altitude or working time.
  - Added new judging guidelines to compulsories: *(Addendum A)*
    - FR-6 and FF-5 (angle flying)
    - FF-6 (Linked full eagle with trick)
    - FF-7 (stand up star)
  - Updating the difficulty table

- **Indoor AE** - (CR indoor freestyle 5.1.2)
  - Each competitor can participate in Maximum of 2 events.

- **Indoor freestyle** - *(Addendum A)*
  - 4 new compulsories – suggested by competitors.
  - Added new judging guidelines to compulsories:
    - SFR-3 (Tucked double loops)
  - 6.2
    - Free routine working time – adjusting the 3 second rule: Appropriate use of time: a penalty of misuse of time as followed:
      - Routine finishes early within or outside of working time by 5 seconds – the maximum score for presentation criteria will be 9.5
      - Routine finishes early within or outside of working time by more than 5 seconds – the maximum score for presentation criteria will be 8.5.

- **Dynamic rules** –
  - *(Addendum A)* - Dive pool changes: all speed round are on the same direction.
  - 5.4 - 3 qualifications round – no battles during qualifications.
  - 6.2.2 - New scoring formula. AS in CP (the best get 100.00, the rest accordingly).
  - 6.2.1 - Clarification on judging free round

The proposed AE Competition Rules changes were unanimously approved.

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The above Artistic Events Competition Rules changes will be incorporated into the 2016 version of the AE Competition Rules which will be posted on the FAI/IPC website.
15.3 The proposal that in relation to Indoor AE ‘A 3rd event could be approved, at the discretion of the Organiser’, was withdrawn.

15.4 Proposal for new Judge rating – "Indoor AE judge"
R. Miasnikov proposed that a new category of Judge rating be established - that of ‘Indoor AE Judge’.
This proposal was carried.

15.5 Future FCEs in Artistic Events
Germany had bid to host World Cups and European Championships in Artistic Events, at Saarlouis, Germany, 7-13 August 2017, and this bid was dealt with at 26.1 below.

15.6 R. Miasnikov thanked the AE Committee for its work during 2015.
President Windsor thanked R. Miasnikov and the AE Committee for its work.

16 CANOPY PILOTING

16.1 Alberto Martin Paracuellos, Canopy Piloting Committee Chair, presented the CP report for 2015. He paid tribute to the late Jan Andersson, a former Member of the CP Committee, who had died during 2015.

16.2 Bids to host future CP events

16.2.1 Bid from Canada for 6th FAI World Canopy Piloting Championships 2016
The Bid from Canada, to host the 6th FAI World Canopy Piloting Championships, at Farnham, Canada, August 2016, had been approved by the 2015 Plenary.
R. Gallo, IPC Delegate for Canada, updated the Delegates on preparations to host this event.

There were a number of changes to the original bid. They were –
- Date changes – from 21-28 August, to the newly-proposed dates of 20-27 August
- One hotel only to be used, Domaine Château-Bromont – instead of two hotels in the original bid, Domaine Château-Bromont and Hôtel Le Relais Gouverneur
- A Judge Training Course would not now be held – the original bid stated that there would be a JTC.

These changes were unanimously accepted by the Plenary

16.2.2 UAE bid to host the 9th FAI World Cup of Canopy Piloting
This was a late bid presented at the 2015 Plenary, and UAE submitted the bid to the 2016 Plenary, where it appeared in the agenda (Annex 29)
This bid was accepted by the Plenary

16.3 Canopy Piloting Competition Rules proposed changes, and weight procedure
Alberto Martin Paracuellos, CP Committee Chair, presented the proposed CP Competition Rules changes, as listed below.

HOUSEKEEPING RULE MODIFICATIONS FROM THE DOCUMENT ANNEX 30 IN THE PUBLISHED IPC PLENARY MEETING, FRANKFURT 2016, AGENDA
Frankfurt, January 22th, 2016

OLD RULE
5.5.6 An MR will be assessed to the competitors involved if the EJ or CJ is not notified of any change to the exit order assignment before the 15-minute call prior to boarding.

NEW RULE (word order)
5.5.6 The competitors involved will receive an MR if the EJ or CJ is not notified of any change to the exit order assignment before the 15-minute call prior to boarding.

OLD RULE
5.10.1.4 A competitor may be offered a re-jump if the competitor experiences adverse weather conditions as determined by the CJ or EJ. The competitor’s decision for the re-jump must be made within 10 seconds of being advised of this offer; otherwise the score for the jump is automatically accepted and recorded.

NEW RULE (word order)
5.10.2 If a competitor experiences adverse weather conditions as determined by the CJ or EJ, the competitor will be offered a re-jump. The competitor’s decision for the re-jump must
be made within 10 seconds of being advised of this offer; otherwise the score for the jump is automatically accepted and recorded.

OLD RULE

5.11.1 A competitor who suffers interference, on the ground or in the air from other competitors, jumpers, or temporary objects, may be offered a re-jump by a decision of the CJ or EJ.

NEW RULE (word order)

5.11.1 A competitor who suffers interference, on the ground or in the air from other competitors, jumpers, or temporary objects, as determined by the CJ or EJ, will be offered a re-jump.

OLD RULE

5.11.2 Any other competitor suffering interference as a result of a competitor not clearing the course may be offered a re-jump at the sole discretion of the CJ or EJ.

NEW RULE (word order)

5.11.2 At the sole discretion of the CJ or EJ, any other competitor suffering interference as a result of a competitor not clearing the course will be offered a re-jump.

OLD RULE

5.11.3 If two or more competitors approach and/or enter the course close together and in the process create interference between each other, a re-jump may be offered to one, both or neither competitors at the sole discretion of the CJ or EJ.

NEW RULE (word order)

5.11.3 At the sole discretion of the CJ or EJ if two or more competitors approach and/or enter the course close together and in the process create interference between each other, a re-jump may be offered to one, both or neither competitors.

OLD RULE

5.12.2 If a course marker or any technical scoring equipment has been rendered non-functional for any reason and cannot be repaired before the next competitor navigates the course, the next competitor(s) will be awarded a re-jump only if the damaged course marker adversely affects the scoring process for a competitor as determined by the CJ or EJ.

NEW RULE

5.12.2 If a course marker or any technical scoring equipment has been rendered non-functional for any reason and cannot be repaired before the next competitor navigates the course, the next competitor(s) will be awarded a re-jump only if the damaged course marker or technical scoring equipment adversely affects the scoring process for a competitor as determined by the CJ or EJ.

OLD RULE

6.2.1 The competitor must break the sensor beam(s) with some part(s) of the body at G1 to start and at G5 to stop the timing and at least some part of the competitor’s body must remain within the boundaries of the Carved Speed course from G1 through G5. Out flying (OF) and vertical extension (VE) may be applied at gates G2 through G5 and off-course landing (OC) applies after G1 has been scored, but before G5 has been scored.

NEW RULE

6.2.1 The competitor must break the sensor beam(s) with some part(s) of the body at G1 to start and at G5 to stop the timing and at least some part of the competitor’s body must remain within the boundaries of the Carved Speed course from G1 through G5. Out flying (OF) and vertical extension (VE) will be applied at gates G2 through G5 and off-course landing (OC) applies after G1 has been scored, but before G5 has been scored.

OLD RULE

6.5.3 Off-course landing (OC) applies. Vertical extension (VE) may be applied at G5 at 50 metres.

NEW RULE

6.5.3 Off-course landing (OC) applies. Vertical extension (VE) will be applied at G5 at 50 metres.

OLD RULE

8.2.5 At any time during the review process and without discussion, the judges may render their decision using the following procedure.

NEW RULE

8.2.5 At any time during the review process and without discussion, the judges will render their decision using the following procedure:
A-6.1.3. The distance between G1 and G6 is 70 metres measured along the center line.

A-6.1.3.

A-6.2. Course markers for G1 in all events, G2, G3, G4 and G5 in Carved Speed and also G6 in Drag-Distance must be approximately 1.5 metres in height above the surface and be a minimum of 0.20 metres in diameter.

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C.2.2 At 70 metres from G1, a line across the course will visibly mark the distance.

C.2.2 -

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DEFINITION DWIPE: Normal dressed weight including clothing and footwear usually worn and parachute equipment. See §5.3. “Equipment and Weights”.

DEFINITION DWIPE: Normal dressed weight including clothing, footwear, parachute equipment and all other equipment worn on the jump but excluding AIW. See §5.3. “Equipment and Weights”.

5.3.3. The normal dressed weight of a competitor includes the parachute equipment (DWIPE), but does not include additional individual weights. DWIPE is the basis to define the maximum amount of additional individual weight allowed in accordance with the list in Addendum E.

5.3.4. A deviation of one kilogram above the actual DWIPE, previously determined, is allowed in normal dressed weight when any weight measurement is made by the FAI controller during the competition.

5.3.4. DWIPE at the time of weighing carried out by the FAI Controller or a person designated, is the basis to define the maximum amount of additional individual weight allowed in accordance with the list in Addendum E.

5.3.4. A deviation of one kilogram on DWIPE measured in 5.3.3 will be allowed. This deviation is allowed to cover discrepancies between different scales used or a competitor being wet if weighted after the jump.

VARIOUS PARAGRAPHS

SPELLING CORRECTIONS: 2. DEFINITIONS DR, DWIPE, 5.5.5, DIAMETER
NEW RULE

WEIGHING PROCEDURE:
At the time of the Random Weight check:
1. A competitor will first be weighed with all AIW removed.
2. With this DWIPE the Addendum E chart is then used to determine the maximum AIW allowed.
3. If the AIW is in excess of what is allowed as per Addendum E, then, the 1 Kg of deviation allowance will be used.
4. In this case, 1 kg is subtracted from the DWIPE and the new DWIPE is used to determine the New AIW.
5. Check that the actual AIW is within or above the limits of the New AIW.
6. If the New AIW is above this determination, MR will apply for that round.

NEW WORDING

Weighing procedure:
At the time of the weight check:
1. The competitor's DWIPE less one kilogram allowed for discrepancies is determined.
2. The DWIPE obtained in 1 above is used to determine the AIW allowed per the list in Addendum E.
3. The competitor's AIW is weighed and compared to the AIW determined in 2 above.
4. If the AIW determined in 3 above is more than the AIW determined in 2 above, a (MR) will be recorded for that round.

The above proposed Canopy Piloting Competition Rules changes were approved.

The above Canopy Piloting Competition Rules changes will be incorporated into the 2016 version of the CP Competition Rules which will be posted on the FAI/IPC website.

16.4 President Windsor thanked Alberto Martin Paracuellos for his handling of the Canopy Piloting Competition Rules during the year, and for having the proposed CP rules in the agenda, for everyone to see before the meeting.

17 SPEED SKYDIVING

17.1 Elisabet Mikaelsson, Speed Skydiving Committee Chair, presented the report for 2015.

17.2 Speed Skydiving Judge Training Course
It was stated that a Judge Training Course would be held at Leutkirch, Germany, 5-8 May 2016, for the purpose of providing a National Judge Rating in Speed Skydiving for successful candidates.

17.3 Tim Mace Trophy
The Tim Mace Trophy was shown to the meeting. The IPC Internal Regulations state - The trophy is presented to the World Champion in Speed Skydiving to remain in his/her possession until the next World Championships. The winner will have the responsibility to attach to the trophy a metal plaque containing the name of the winner and the year. The Trophy was founded in memory of Timothy Mace, to be presented for the first time to the winner of the 2016 World Championship.

17.4 Future FCEs in Speed Skydiving

17.4.1 Speed Skydiving at Mondial 2016, Chicago.
There was an error in the Plenary agenda, at point 17.3.1, where it stated The Mondial Organiser has not indicated whether or not there will be a Speed Skydiving event in Mondial 2016. The Mondial Organiser had, at the 2015 Plenary, stated that there would be a Speed Skydiving event at the Mondial, as indicated in the Plenary 2015 minutes, at point 19.2.1.
17.4.2 Bid from Germany
A bid from Germany, to host the 3rd FAI World Cup of Speed Skydiving and the 2nd FAI European Speed Skydiving Championships at Saarlouis, Germany, 7-13 August 2017 was to be put to the Plenary at a later time (see 26.1 below).

17.5 Proposed Speed Skydiving Competition Rules changes

The following Competition Rules changes were proposed –

**Speed Skydiving Rule changes 2016**
- List of approved SMDs
- List of approved download and analysis systems
  The above items are at the request of the Judges Committee

**Old Rule**
3.3.1 The accumulated total of the best competition jumps, depending on the number of rounds completed, is used to determine the final placings.

**New Rule**
3.3.1 The accumulated total of the best competition jumps, depending on the number of rounds completed, is used to determine the final placings.
The standings will also have a column showing the average speed based on number of rounds completed.
**Reason for change:** To give the competitors a chance to compare competition results even if not all rounds are completed. Implemented at the request from the competitors’ meeting.

**Old Rule**
4.1.5 Each competitor will wear two SMDs issued by the Chief Judge. The devices will be attached on the lateral webbing of the competitor’s harness, or in a location on a horizontal line through the lateral webbing when the competitor is standing upright. In either case, the SMDs must be sited predominately on the sides of the rig. The devices will be located to the satisfaction of the Chief Judge, and this decision is not grounds for protest.

**New Rule**
4.1.5 Each competitor will wear two SMDs issued by the Chief Judge. The devices will be attached
   a) on the lateral webbing of the competitor’s harness, or
   b) on either side of the container horizontally in line with the lowest part of the lateral webbing when the competitor is standing upright. In either case, the SMDs must be sited predominately on the sides of the rig. The devices will be located to the satisfaction of the Chief Judge, and this decision is not grounds for protest.
**Reason for change:** to make it more specific where the SMD has to be attached.

**Old Rule**
4.1.6 The SMDs will be attached to the competitor by a member of the judging staff, and will be sealed in location. The devices will be attached immediately prior to boarding the aircraft.

**New Rule**
4.1.6 The SMDs will be attached by the competitor, supervised and sealed in location by a member of the judging staff. The devices will be attached prior to boarding the aircraft.
**Reason for change:** the competitor is responsible for his/her equipment is in good order. If a competitor loses the SMD there will not be a rejump.

**New Rule**
5.5.1.2 SMDs should be rotated between competitors as much as possible.
**Reason for change:** this is the way we do it today.

**New Rule**
2.3 Scoring Technical Director: Appointed by the IPC Speed Skydiving Committee and approved by the organiser for that position. The Scoring Technical Director is responsible for the planning, setup and maintenance of the downloading and analysing software before and during a World Championship/FCE.

The above proposed Speed Skydiving Competition Rules changes were approved.

The above Speed Skydiving Competition Rules changes will be incorporated into the 2016 version of the Speed Skydiving Competition Rules which will be posted on the FAI/IPC website.
A proposal was presented to amend Sporting Code, Section 5, 4.1.4 (1) Travel and Living Expenses, which states - The Organiser of an FCE will be required to pay travel, food, living costs and expenses connected with their duties for the following officials: FAI Controller, CJ and the Assistant to the CJ, the CP Course Technical Director and the SP Scoring Technical Director.

(The red italicised text is a proposed addition to the existing text.)

**Reason for change:** the downloading and analysing system is crucial for the competition. If something malfunctions we need to have a person on site that knows how to fix the problem. Compare with scoring systems for FS, CF and AE where the organiser has to provide and pay for the system and make sure it works.

Following discussion, it was agreed that a decision would not be made on this proposal, that it would appear in the Plenary minutes and be re-presented to the 2017 Plenary

18 WINGSUIT

18.1 James Hayhurst, Wingsuit Committee Chair, reported on the Committee’s work during 2015.

18.2 CR proposed changes

For 2016, the committee combined the rules into a single CR, as promised at the 65th Plenary, in order to prepare for a first world championships of performance flying and world cup of acrobatic flying in 2016.

Pertinent changes from the 2015 Competition Rules (all highlighted):

- 4.3.2 – Working time for Acro increased to **65 seconds**
- 5.1.2 – Order of jumping based on reverse order of standing from most recent FCE
- 6.1.1 – Rejumps for both distance and speed should be done in similar winds
- 6.2.1 – Weight check for monitoring prohibited addition/deletion of weights
- 6.2.1.1 – Prohibits overweight parachute systems (to increase weight on a jump)
- 6.2.3 – Permitted locations of other electronic equipment and competitor’s PLD
- 8.2.9.1 – Scoring process (throw out high and low scores, averaging, etc.)

The above proposed Wingsuit Competition Rules changes were approved.

The above Wingsuit Competition Rules changes will be incorporated into the combined 2016 Performance and Acrobatic Wingsuit Flying Competition Rules which will be posted on the FAI/IPC website.

18.3 Future Bids to host Wingsuit FCEs.

18.3.1 The Organiser of the Chicago Mondial withdrew the bid to host Winguit as part of the Mondial.

18.3.2 **Bid to host 1st FAI World Wingsuit Performance Flying Championships**

Kirk Verner, IPC Delegate, USA, presented a bid to host the 1st FAI World Wingsuit Performance Flying Championships, at Skydive City, Zephyr Hills, USA, November 2016, as per Annex 38.

The host, Zephyr Hills, offered to add Wingsuit Acrobatics to the event, thus having the **1st FAI World Cup of Wingsuit Acrobatics Flying**.

The dates of the event were proposed to be changed from 2-6 November 2016 to 2-10 November 2016. It was stated that if a competitor entered one event only, there would not be a need for him to be present for the entire period.

The bid, with the changes outlined above – the addition of Acrobatics and change of dates, was accepted unanimously.
18.3.3 Wingsuit FCE in 2018
Russia indicated its intention to bid to host the 2018 WPCs in Wingsuit Flying.

18.4 Wingsuit Judge Rating
It was noted that there was no Judge Training Course for Wingsuit organised, but that it was possible to obtain a National Judge Rating in Wingsuit Judging at Netheravon, U.K.

18.5 President Windsor thanked James Hayhurst and the Wingsuit Committee for their great work with this new discipline.

19 PARA SKI

19.1 Michael Egger, Para Ski Committee Chair, reported on the Committees’ activities in 2015.

19.2 Future Para Ski FCEs

19.2.1 16th FAI World Para Ski Championships, 2017
The 16th FAI World Para Ski Championships will be held at Sankt Johann-Alpendorf, Salzburg, Austria, 7–12 March 2017. This bid was accepted by the 2015 Plenary Meeting.

19.2.2 M. Egger called for future bids to host FCEs in Para Ski.

19.3 Para Ski Rules proposed changes
IPC Para-Ski Committee
Proposed changes of the Para-Ski Competition rules to the IPC- Plenary 2016:

1. Changing female teams from 4 to 2 competitors: (additional new wording is underlined)
4.4.6 Team Rankings (4.4.1) will only be determined for National Teams (GS 3.2.3.1) of 4 (female 2) participants. All individuals, females and incomplete teams are put together into international teams;

4.4.8 Results, rankings and titles
(4) If less than 4 NAC entries for female teams participate, these teams will be formed to mixed teams.

5.1.8 Scoring Accuracy Landing
(4) Teams jumping with less than 4 members (or less than 2 for female) will receive a score of 50 cms for each missing member.

5.1.9 Team Accuracy Landing Events
(4) Teams jumping with less than 4 members (or less than 2 for female) will receive a score of 50 cms for each missing member.

7.3.4 Composition of Delegations
(1) … … The teams may be all male, all female, or of mixed gender. There may be no more than 8 males or 8 females in these teams.
Rationale: wish from competitors at last competitors meeting to extend the trial period for the 2 female team event

2. Changing Period of Wind Speed Limits
5.1.3 Wind Direction and Speed Limits
(1) The maximum allowable wind speed at ground level in the accuracy event is 6 m/s. A competitor who lands during the period 10 15 seconds before the wind speed exceeds the limit, while the wind speed is over the limit and 30 seconds after the wind speed has returned below the limit, and does not score a dead centre, may accept a re-jump. … …
(3) If there is a sudden change in ground wind direction of more than 90 degrees (within 2 seconds) when the wind speed is more than 3 m/s, during the period commencing 30 seconds before and ending 10 15 seconds after the competitor’s landing, and the competitor does not score a dead centre, he has the choice of accepting the score for the jump or making a rejump. … …
Rationale: synchronize with S&Acc Rules
3. Clarify the maximal points if only 1 run Giant Slalom is possible
7.3.5 Program of events The FAI World Para-Ski Championships will comprise the following events:
(3) Skiing: One qualification and two competition runs. The minimum number of runs for a valid event is 1 (one). If there is only one competition run finished, the points for skiing are doubled, the maximum is 300 points.
Rationale: double points also create double maximum points (300 is same maximum as in AL)

The above proposed Para Ski Competition Rules changes were approved.

The above Para Ski Competition Rules changes will be incorporated into the 2017 Para Ski Competition Rules which will be posted on the FAI/IPC website.

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20  INDOOR SKYDIVING

20.1 Mohammed Al Delayel reported on the Working Group’s activities in 2015. A request that the Working Group become an IPC Committee was agreed to.

20.2 Future Indoor Skydiving FCEs
Bids for 2016 and 2017 were compared, with one another for the same year, and for the two-year period.

20.2.1 2016 Bids and selection of Organiser
There were three bids in the agenda, from Belgium, Poland and Slovakia. Belgium withdrew its bid, leaving Poland 20-24 October, and Slovakia 1-5 November 2016. Prices in the Polish and Slovakian bids were similar. A secret ballot was called for and the result was – Poland 32, Slovakia 10. The 2й FAI World Cup of Indoor Skydiving 2016 will be held in Warsaw, Poland, 20-24 October 2016.

20.2.2 2017 Bids and selection of Organiser
There were five bids in the agenda, from Belgium, Canada, Germany (bid by the Czech Republic), Poland and Slovakia. The bid by the Czech Republic to host the event in Germany was withdrawn, leaving four bids remaining - Belgium, Canada, Poland and Slovakia. Poland then withdrew its bid for 2017, following its successful bid for 2016, leaving three bids, – Belgium, Canada and Slovakia. It was noted that Belgium did not have a scoring system. A secret ballot was called for and the result was – Belgium 8, Canada 18, Slovakia 15, with one invalid ballot. The 2й FAI World Indoor Skydiving Championships 2017 at Laval, Quebec, Canada, 19-23 October 2017.

20.2.3 R. Gallo, IPC Delegate for Canada, thanked the Plenary for accepting the Canadian bid. She said that she was delighted that Canada had been successful and that the Plenary would not regret its decision.

20.2.4 There may be a change of dates to avoid a clash with a US event. Such a change would need approval.

20.3 President Windsor thanked M. Al Delayel and the new Committee for their work and M. Al Delayel thanked R. Miasnikov for the huge amount of work she had done for Indoor Skydiving in 2015.

Susan Dixon noted at this point that it would not have been possible to post any information about the progress of the Plenary on the website, due to not having internet availability, without having had the use of Mohammed Al Delayel’s ‘phone, and she thanked him for allowing her to use the telephone for the purpose of website posting.
A Roll Call, conducted by Markus Haggeney, FAI, showed there were 35 Delegates present, with 7 proxies, giving a total of 42 votes. A two-thirds majority would require 28 votes, with a simple majority requiring 22 votes.

21 | TECHNICAL & SAFETY

21.1 2014 Safety Report
Gustavo Eduardo Reyes, Technical & Safety Committee Chair, made a presentation of the 2014 Safety Report. He drew the attention of the Delegates to significant figures and trends in the report.

21.2 Safety Information Programme
G. Eduardo Reyes made a presentation on the proposed Safety Information Programme and spoke of the aim of activating this project so that information on incidents would be reported and become available to all.
P. Girardin spoke on this project and he supported it.

21.3 President Windsor thanked G. Eduardo Reyes and asked for more responses to the annual Safety Survey.

22 | RULES AND REGULATIONS

Sporting Code, Section 5, Internal Regulations, FCE AD, FAI Controller Handbook, Jury Handbook

22.1 Sporting Code, Section 5 (SC5)
Annex 58 of the Plenary agenda contained the proposed changes to SC5. Some of these proposals were modified, following the R&R Committee’s Open Meeting. Those modified clauses are noted hereunder as having been changed.

**Sporting Code - Section 5**

*Overall:*

*FCE*

*Change First Category Event to FCE* (except in headers)

*Definitions*

In the Section 5, **Team Captain, Team Manager and Team Coach** have been respectively clarified and/or added. (see below)

Definitions are deemed needed in the General Section for “Team Captain” and “Team Manager”. This has been asked by the French delegate. As such, a request has been made by the R&R committee to the FAI Executive Board. Such definitions are needed in order to clarify tasks and responsibilities on an overall level. The term “Team Captain” is by majority and history the preferred term by the IPC R&R, this position is however written in the current GS as “Team Leader”. So, either GS changes to the word “Team Captain” or SC5 makes a specific note about the terminology, clarifying that in SC5 Team Captain is the function of GS Team Leader.

*Specific paragraphs*

1.1.2 (15). Drogue: a Drogue is a device used by an individual to aid deceleration, resist acceleration and/or to maintain stability.

There is a definition of a drogue in the record section, but not in the definitions paragraph itself. In the current text “a drogue or stabilization device” is used. Stabilization devices have never been used, only drogues. A Drogue is already used as a stabilization device. Following out of this the overall change in SC5 should be made:

“... a drogue or stabilization device” 3.3.3 (2) (a) and (b), (7), (8), 3.3.7 (1) (a) and (b), (2)
WINGSUIT: A garment of flexible material forming wings between a parachutist's arms, legs and torso, creating an aerodynamic platform designed to generate forward movement through the air using only the force of gravity. The parachutist's limbs and extremities must serve as the primary frame for the wings. **For wingsuit flight, the use of a drogue is not allowed.**

Clarification that this is not allowed as it would influence the performance of the flight.

3.1.1. (2) Altitude/Fall/Flight Records

This is added in order to address the record category of "distance of flight". The inherent interpretation of the word "Fall" it too tight, assuming vertical distance only, whilst in wingsuit flying the record category is about the horizontal distance covered.

This adding of "Flight" will also be implemented in paragraphs, 3.1.2. (1), 3.1.2 (2) (b), 3.3.3 (header), 3.3.3 (6) and 3.3.10.

3.1.2 General Conditions - records

(1) All record attempts must be performed according to the IPC Competition Rules (SC5, 4.2), where appropriate. Team sizes for records must be as stated in the IPC Competition Rules, except for altitude/fall/flight, large formation and largest formation records.

(2) (b) A performance record, other than an Altitude/Fall/Flight (3.3.3) and a Speed (3.3.7) Record, must be evaluated and certified by three judges, two of whom must be FAI Parachuting Judges and the third judge must be at least a valid National Judge.

For an Altitude/Fall/Flight and a Speed Record, the certification will be the responsibility of the Official Observers (GS 5.2.1) appointed and approved by the organising and/or controlling NAC (GS 7.4.2).

**See below for explanation, at para 3.3.3**

(5) The claim for certification of an International Record must be done in accordance with Chapter 7 of the GS. However where a Competition Record performance takes place during an FCE and is part of the competition results approved by the Jury, the normal notification procedure in 7.8.1 and 7.8.3 need not be followed, and the following procedure will apply:

- A claim for the record performance will be sent directly to FAI by the Jury President.
- The claim must include all information necessary to properly categorise the record claimed (as per GS 7.8.2), including a copy of the approved official results.
- A copy of the claim will be sent to the record claimant's NAC, including information regarding the conditions (like deadlines, payment, etc) the NAC needs to meet in order to have the claim accepted.

and a notification of the record performance may be sent directly to FAI. This notification will be prepared by the Jury President and must include all information necessary to properly categorise the record claimed, including a copy of the approved official results. The notification will also be sent to the record claimant's NAC, so that the requisite administration fee may be paid.

In line with a FAI/Bureau discussion about changing "notification" to "claim" regarding records set at FCEs, and explaining the criteria for the procedure.

(5). There is a hard enter on the third last sentence. housekeeping.

(6) The IPC will publish an annual list of current International Records. (to be deleted as the records are on FAI website and those are updated when relevant, not on an annual basis. Furthermore, at present IPC does not do it. It does however force an organiser of an FCE to publish records at that FCE, which makes sense and which is enough)
3.2.9 WS Records
(1) Distance
The record performance for distance is the greatest horizontal distance achieve in any round of the Distance task in accordance with the current Competition Rules. Clarification.

(2) Speed
The record performance for speed is the fastest speed achieved in any round of the Speed Task in accordance with the current Competition Rules. Expected proposal by wingsuit committee.

(3) Time
The record performance is the longest time achieved in any round of the Time Task in accordance with the current Competition Rules. Expected proposal by wingsuit committee.

3.3.3 (2) A Drogue is a device used by an individual to aid deceleration and/or to help maintain stability.
To be deleted as this is now in the definitions paragraph, 1.1.2.

3.3.7. Vertical Speed Record – Individual
(1) The record performance of a vertical speed jump is one of the following:
(b) The maximum vertical speed attained, measured in km/h, with a drogue or stabilization device during the time from exit to the altitude at which the fall is terminated as measured by the required equipment, as per paragraph (2) below.
A new speed jump record is set only if the lower limit of the error range of the record performance is greater than the upper limit of the current record error range by at least 2%.
Exit means the point in time at which the individual leaves or jettisons the device in or by which he is being carried.
No external means of propulsion may be used after leaving or jettisoning the device by which the individual has been carried to the exit point.
Drogue definition includes the function of stabilization device already. The text "A new speed...... to the exit point" will be moved to a new section (3) as being in the current paragraph can lead to confusion. It is a formatting error from 2015 SC5.

(4) The performance shall, if possible, be determined with an overall margin of error of +/- 1%. If the overall margin of error in the determination of the performance is no more than +/- 1%, the value of the record shall be equal to the figure determined rounded down to the nearest whole number together with the margin of error.
If the overall margin of error in the determination of the performance is greater than +/- 1%, the value of the record shall be equal to the lower limit of the actual error range, rounded down to a whole number.
This text is now in line with 3.3.3. Housekeeping.

4.3 Technical Arrangements, Accommodation (correcting spelling error)
Jury Members. 4.7.1.(1) Unless exceptional circumstances prevail, each Jury member and eligible replacement must either have been present as a registered Delegate, Alternate Delegate, or NAC appointed Observer or as an IPC officer at the IPC Plenary meeting held in the year of the FCE, or acted as a Jury member in the previous year, and must represent and/or be resident in a different country than the other Jury members. (the present wording rules out the IPC president as Jury Member, and other IPC officers like WAG/WG liaison, while these are very experienced people who can act as Jury Member. Furthermore, persons who have acted as Jury Member in the year before the IPC meeting and as such having very recent jury experience can now continue to do so, even when missing the IPC Plenary meeting)

4.3.6 (1) (b) needs to be amended to read ".....to cover the competition jumps/indoor performances and the ....."
The indoor events were missing in this paragraph.

4.3.8 Viewing equipment
When video equipment is used for judging, monitors must be provided for teams and Team Coaches and public to view the jumps or performances. This does not apply for CP.
4.4.1. (3) The list of entrants competitors may be altered at any time before the Jury and the CJ have given their approval for the competition to begin (4.5.1). From that moment, no replacement (including the nomination of alternates) will be allowed. (GS 4.13)

Not just the competitors, but including all persons who are liable to the FAI sanction fee. Now it is in line with GS 4.13)

4.4.2 Delegations

(4) The NAC, by including entrants a team or competitor in the Delegation, certifies that each entrant team or competitor is qualified and competent to participate and function in the event(s) entered.

This text now includes HoD, Team Manager and Team coaches. After all, a NAC is responsible for them as well.

4.5.4 Team Managers

(3) They are responsible for the arrival on time of their competitors at the aircraft loading point.

A Team Manager cannot be responsible for this, the Team / competitor is. The Team Manager can tell a Team to go to the loading point, that is all. Furthermore, what if the team is not there? The team get's the penalty, not the Team Manager.

(6) A nominated team member (for example Team Captain) may act as Team Manager with all rights and obligations whenever the Team Manager is not present.

This part is moved to 4.5.5. (3).

(6) A Team Manager may, on behalf of his Team or competitor, present a protest to the Meet Director.

Clarification on what a Team Manager can do, in line with paragraph 5.3.1. (1)

4.5.5 Team Captain

(1) Team Captains are responsible for communication between his team and the pilot of the aircraft.

(2) A Team Captain must be a competitor and must be nominated by his team.

(3) A Team Captain may act as Team Manager with all rights and obligations whenever the Team Manager is not present or if no Team Manager has been included in the delegation.

and, in the absence of the Team Manager, other competition officials.

Rewriting the current text, in line with 4.5.4. The last sentence is superfluous as it is already in 4.5.4 (6), and was also partly in contradiction with this, as (6) states that a nominated team member can function as Team Manager, whilst this need not to be the Team Captain.

4.5.6 Team Coach

A National Delegation (4.4.2) may include a Coach, who is responsible for any coaching duties undertaken on behalf of any team or competitor that is a Member of that Delegation.

This definition was lacking. This text defines a coach’s function.

4.6.1 Attendance at First Category Events

(2) The minimum number of FAI Parachuting Judges, including the CJ, required at a WPC/WISC is:

Indoor Artistic Events 5  8

As per committee request, with 5 judges the work load is too big.

4.7.1 (1) – Officer on ASC level needs to be defined. There is a definition of “officer” on FAI level, Terms and Definitions: FAI Officers The President, Executive Directors and Secretary General of the FAI” but not on ASC level. Proposal: “ASC (IPC) Officers: all officers as defined in the relevant ASC (IPC) internal Regulations”

4.7.1. (9). No Juror may serve at more than two three First Category Events during one calendar year. (IPC is actually short of Jurors with the increase of FCE’s and is too limited by the current restriction. I would of course not exclude potential jurors)
4.7.1. (13). Individuals on the approved list will be automatically removed if they do not attend the IPC Plenary meeting either as a registered Delegate, an Alternate Delegate or a NAC appointed Observer for three consecutive years.  

(putting the wording in line with 4.7.1. (1))

4.9.3. (1) Recording Media  
The Scoring system operator at of an FCE must give, a copy of the recording media in an MKV format (other than for CP) of the competition, together with the summary score sheets and other pertinent documentation, to the FAI Controller. The FAI Controller will deliver the copy of the recording media and the documentation to the Chair of the IPC Judges’ Committee and/or the IPC Judge Video Librarian, who must ensure that each delegation can purchase copies of the same within 45 days of the end of the FCE.  

(otherwise it could depend on the time of delivering the copy)

Discussion item / Judges Committee: "deleting "who must ensure that each delegation can purchase copies of the same within 45 days.... etc." In these times, many / most jumps are uploaded on internet to be seen. A check has to be done as how many copies are sold actually to delegations (NACs)  
(in practice, unofficial scores get posted nowadays as soon as there is an update, it does not relate to rounds anymore. “official” is the word used in SC5 overall and was lacking in the paragraph. The official scores should be available at the completion of the event, not 12 hours later. That is too long, and does not fit practice as the official scores should be available anyway for the award ceremonies)

4.10. (2) Minimum participation  
If 4 or more NACs indicate an intention as per (1) to enter a Delegation to a WPC or Continental Regional Championship but less than….

This part was missing.

5.5.1 Equipment  
(2) Equipment problems occurring in freefall or during an indoor skydive, such as to make it difficult or impossible for the competitor to perform, are not grounds for a re-jump / re-performance.  

(this word was lacking, but this paragraph should apply to indoor skydiving too)

6.4  
re First Category Event s/b GS 4.4.1 not GS 3.5.1.  
housekeeping, updating the reference to the GS.

6.7.4 it has (1) and then 15 lines down (3) - s/b (2) Housekeeping.

The above were included in Annex 58 and the wording had not been changed.

SPORING CODE SECTION 5 – clauses modified/adopted during Open Meeting

4.1.1. (2) The organisation of the FCE shall be controlled by a person appointed by the IPC (FAI Controller). This person may not be from the Organiser’s country. After consultation with the relevant IPC Competition Committee(s) will recommend (an) FAI Controller(s) to the IPC Bureau. The IPC Bureau will consider the recommendation(s) and then nominate an FAI Controller for approval by the IPC Plenary.

(agree proposal at extended bureau meeting)

4.1.2. Schedule of organisation  
(3). Schedule of organisation.  
- 2016 Mondial or WPCs, World Cup of IS  
- 2017 World Cups and WISC  
- 2018 WPC’s, World Cup of IS
- 2019 World Cups and WISC
- 2020 Mondial, or WPC’s, World Cup of IS

Mondial to be scheduled every 4 years.

(6) Where an Organiser makes an application (in accordance with the FCEAD) to host a World Cup and a WPC in one or more disciplines for two consecutive years at the same location, the IPC Plenary will act as follows:

(a) A vote will first be taken on whether to approve these bids as one complete package.
(b) If the complete package approval in (a) is not given, each World Cup and/or WPC hosting application, referred to in (a), if not withdrawn, will be considered separately, discipline by discipline (1.1.1(4)), together with any other valid World Cup and/or WPC application(s) for each particular discipline.

(Proposal deleted after open meeting discussion)

1.1.1 4.2.2 Content

All IPC FCE Competition Rules must be written in English and must contain the following basic information:

- Determination of World or Continental Regional Championships or World Cup winners; Medals and Prizes (if any) to be awarded. No FAI Diplomas will be awarded. FAI Diplomas will be awarded if requested by a competitor in the relevant Competition Rules.

Moving back to the old wording, leaving this specific possibility open.

4.2.5. Official Bulletins.

The Organiser NAC organising an FCE will issue two Official Information Bulletins (see IPC FCE Application Document 3.1) in electronic format, both to be posted on the FAI/IPC website by the stipulated dates.

(Proposal deleted after open meeting discussion result, Austrian proposal Annex 18 (2))

4.4.4 Refund of Entry Fees

(1) If an FCE does not take place, all entry fees, other than Sanction Fees, that have been paid will be returned in full.

As per open meeting discussion result, Austrian proposal Annex 18 (2)

4.5.4 (1) a Team Manager is the person named as “Team Leader” in the General Section (GS 6.1.2 and 6.3.2)

A direct reference has been added to clarify that the “Team Manager” in the Section 5 is the “Team Leader” as in the General Section.

5.2.5 Calling the Jumpers/Indoor Skydivers

(3) Each competitor is allowed a minimum time from arriving at or returning (if appropriate) to the competition site to the first call for the next jump/performance. The time is:

- 45 minutes for FS, CF, WS and for competitors in AE who have entered one event.
- 30 minutes for Indoor freestyle, Indoor FS, Accuracy Landing, Freefall Style, CP, Para-Ski, SP and for competitors in AE who have entered two (2) events.
- 10 minutes for Indoor Dynamic between battles.

30 minutes time added for Indoor freestyle event, as per AE committee proposal. 30 minutes for Indoor FS, as per FS committee proposal 10 minutes for Indoor Dynamic, as per AAE committee proposal

(4) The minimum time, referred to in (3) above, does not apply to:

- Indoor Dynamic between rounds.
- the competitor’s first jump of the day and re-jumps.
- tie-breaking jumps for Accuracy Landing and Freefall Style.

As per AE committee proposal.

6.6.4. Assistant to Chief Judge

An Assistant to the Chief Judge, who must be a FAI Parachuting Judge and must be approved by the Chief Judge IPC Judges Committee, will be nominated by,
and normally be from the country of the Organiser, unless the IPC Judges Committee decides otherwise.  

Text based on open meeting discussion.

The original proposals, the first portion of this section 22.1, SC5, were as they appeared in Annex 58 to the Plenary agenda.

The clauses in the second portion, from SPORTING CODE SECTION 5 – clauses adopted during Open Meeting downwards, are the matters modified arising from the R&R Open Meeting.

All of the above proposals, in both sections, were carried unanimously by the Plenary.

22.2 Proposal to amend SC5 – to add FS and CF Night Record categories
This proposal appeared as Annex 59 in the Plenary agenda. The proposal was carried and the details as to the exact wording are to be decided upon by the Rules & Regulations Committee for approval by the Bureau.

22.3 Internal Regulations
The following is a summary of the proposed amendments and additions to the IPC Internal Regulations.

Annex 58 proposals
1.7. Awards
Annex 4F: Raija Kosonen Trophy. (for Freestyle Skydiving)

Overall: change time limits for sending content to the IPC secretary from 60 days to December 1st, and that for the Agenda / Notice of Meeting from 45 days to December 15th. (it is clear in advance to all parties concerned what the date is, instead of an ever changing date per year. As per Bureau interim request).

3.11 Amendments
Any proposed amendment to an item under discussion may be made verbally or in writing. If requested by the IPC President or any Delegate it must be made in writing and will then be read out by the IPC Recording Secretary before a vote is taken. An amendment proposal must be seconded by another Delegate to be considered.

If not, anybody present at the meeting can second an amendment whilst that should be a Member/delegates right only. Adding the word "Recording" is housekeeping.

4.3 Duties and Powers
The Bureau shall act as a decision making and executive body with the power to make decisions on matters that arise between Plenary Meetings. All Bureau decisions should, if possible, be made by unanimity. If no consensus can be reached, the President has the right to call for a majority vote to decide the issue by simple majority.

If such a vote is used to decide an issue, all Bureau Members, including the President, are entitled to cast a single vote (subject to 5.4.3 and 5.5.3, where the Recording Secretary and Finance Secretary are not entitled to voting rights).

In the event of a tie vote, the issue will not be accepted or approved. The President has no right to a tie-breaking vote.

(A Bureau experience in 2015 showed that “consensus” alone does not do the trick. Consensus means “general agreement” but can be used in a connotation of “the judgement arrived at by most” (e.g. a large majority), meaning non-unanimity. Furthermore, if no consensus can be reached, present wording says the President “may” call for a vote and as such can exclude such a vote if he/she does not like the matter to be decided positively. The proposal now states that the President must call for a vote.

5.4 Finance Secretary
5.4.1 Election
The Finance Secretary shall be elected in the same manner as the Vice Presidents. The Finance Secretary need not be a Delegate or Alternate Delegate, but must be a NAC appointed Observer to the IPC. (this position in the Bureau would need a formal endorsement from a NAC. Paragraph 3.6 in the Internal Regulations does not cover this 100% as a non-official observer can still attend an IPC meeting. In any case, it does not hurt to make this point very clear for this important Bureau position)

5.5 Recording Secretary

5.5.1 Election

The Recording Secretary shall be elected in the same manner as the Vice Presidents. The Secretary need not be a Delegate or Alternate Delegate, but must be a NAC appointed Observer to the IPC. (explanation as per 5.4.1 above)

ANNEX 5

5. MEETINGS

Each IPC Competition Committee shall hold meetings as follows:

(1) An Open Meeting at the site of and during a WPC an FCE;
(Open Meetings are held at Worldcups and Continental Regional Championships already. Furthermore, a meeting at these events is needed too, in order to evaluate the changes in competition rules established after a WPC)

Add: IPC Records Officer

As per Bureau’s intention. R&R committee proposes to have this function adopted as a “solo” function, being administrative on behalf of IPC. There is a clear need to have a capable person on IPC side to handle records (claims, verification, posting).

3.7.1 Content of the Agenda

(7) A written report by the IPC Records Officer.

5.9 Records Officer

The Records Officer shall be nominated by the Bureau, and approved by the Plenary Meeting.

A. PLENARY MEETINGS

3.6.1 An Active or Associate Member of FAI may be represented at the Plenary Meeting by a Delegation consisting of one Delegate, one Alternate Delegate, one interpreter (if required) and Appointed Observers appointed by the Member. All travel and subsistence costs for the Delegation are the responsibility of the Member. Only Delegates and Alternate Delegates have the right to speak at the Plenary Meeting, except as specifically permitted by the Chair of the Meeting. Inclusion of the proposed Appointed Observer

3.6.2 Appointed Observer - is a person who has been appointed as such by a FAI Member. The appointment (in writing) must be sent by the FAI Member, at least seven days before the start of the Plenary Meeting, to the IPC to the IPC Bureau via the IPC Recording Secretary.

3.6.3 Any other person, who is not part of a Delegation, may attend Open Committee or Open Working Group Meetings, if invited or permitted to do so by the Committee or Working Group Chair, and may attend the IPC Plenary Meeting or IPC Bureau Meetings if invited or permitted to do so by the IPC President.

5. IPC Officers

5.4.3 Voting Rights
The Finance Secretary, if not a Delegate has no voting rights but elected in accordance with 5.4.1 above, will have full voting rights in Bureau affairs. If not a Delegate and appointed in accordance with 5.9, the Finance Secretary will have no voting rights in Bureau affairs.

5.5.3 Voting Rights
The Recording Secretary, if not a Delegate has no voting rights but elected in accordance with 5.5.1 above, will have full voting rights in Bureau affairs. If not a Delegate and appointed in accordance with 5.9, the Recording Secretary will have no voting rights in Bureau affairs.

Change in order to meet FAI by-laws 3.2.14

5.9 RECORDS LIAISON OFFICER

5.9.1 Election
The Records Liaison Officer shall be appointed by the Bureau, subject to approval by the Plenary Meeting. The position may be held by the Chair of an IPC Competition Committee.

5.9.2 Duties
The Records Liaison Officer shall advise and assist FAI Head Office in the homologation and ratification of Class G (Parachuting and Indoor Skydiving) records; advise NACs, ASOs, Meet Officials, and claimants in preparing the correct documentation needed to file International Records; advise and assist the Rules & Regulation Committee and the Plenary Meeting of desirable changes to the Sporting Code with respect to International Records; and, be responsible for content management with respect to the IPC Records Search webpage.

5.9.3 Voting Rights
The Records Liaison Officer shall have no voting rights, unless a Delegate or Alternate Delegate.

Proposal for duties and rights for the IPC Records Liaison Officer.

B.

6.2.3 Members, who are not Delegates or Alternate Delegates, are required, on an annual basis, to obtain approval for their appointment either from the Delegate representing their NAC or from their NAC. This approval must be given in writing no later than the end of the Plenary Meeting at which the appointment is made (6.4.2)

As per open meeting.

C. IPC WORKING GROUPS

7.2 Composition
(1) Each IPC Working Group, other than the IPC Media and Promotion Working Group and the IPC World Air Games/World Games Working Group, consists of a Chair and up to five other individuals. Members who are not Delegates or Alternate Delegates, are required, on an annual basis, to obtain approval for their appointment either from the Delegate representing their NAC or from their NAC.

As per open meeting, bringing text of Working Groups in line with Committees.

D. IPC COMMITTEES

6.4.1. The members of an IPC Committee will be selected annually by the Chair of the Committee, subject to the approval required by 6.2.3

E. IPC COMMITTEES

6.5.1 Open Meetings are working sessions open to IPC Delegates, Alternate Delegates, Appointed Observers and, if permitted by the Chair, other persons. The Chair will allow all in attendance to contribute ideas and information to the discussions.

The USA and Mubarak Suwailem A. Alsuwailm raised questions about NAC approval being required U.S. and R. ‘Exi’ Hoenle supported the USA in its objections to this, stating that in most countries the parachuting organisation, while a member of the NAC, runs itself.

G. Rayner, stated that the NAC is designated as such by the FAI General Conference, but that the NAC can delegate all sporting powers to a sporting organisation; e.g. an NAC could delegate all parachuting sporting powers to a parachuting organisation in that country.
All of the above proposals, those listed as being in the original Annex 58, and those modified arising from the Open Meeting of the R&R Committee, were carried. These proposals required a supporting two-thirds supporting vote, which they obtained - the vote being 30 for with one 1 against their adoption.

22.4 Proposal to amend IR 6.2
Dr Rainer ‘Exi’ Hoenle, IPC Delegate, Germany, had a proposal, in Annex 61, on the agenda, to limit to two from the same NAC, the number of members on an IPC Committee. J. Smyth spoke against this proposal and stated that the perceived problems of one Committee, the Canopy Piloting Committee in 2015, should not affect other Committees. A. Martin Paracuellos thanked R. ‘Exi’ Hoenle for highlighting the issue and he, A. Martin Paracuellos asked R. ‘Exi’ Hoenle to withdraw the proposal. R. ‘Exi’ Hoenle withdrew this proposal.

22.5 Proposals to amend IPC Internal Regulations, as per Annexes 62, 63, 64, 65, 66
These proposals, all by R. ‘Exi’ Hoenle, were withdrawn, as he was satisfied that they had been dealt with by the proposals, from the R&R Committee, which had been accepted by the Plenary.

22.6 FCEAD proposed changes
These were mostly for clarification and also to reflect the inclusion of newer events.

FCE APPLICATION DOCUMENT
Overall: Change “First Category Event” to FCE (except for the first time used and in header and footer)
Housekeeping.

2.1.1 Application schedule
(2). Where no other application has been received and/or approved, no later than December 1st in the year 60 days before the IPC Plenary Meeting in the calendar year scheduled for the event. (wording in line with the proposal in the IR's - as per Bureau wish)

2.2.4. Table of Fees

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(updating with relevant events).

75% of amounts WPC’s & Continental Regional Championships, WISC and Indoor Continental Regional Championships (as appropriate) (correct referral to the header in column 2).

2.7 Weather conditions – include statistics, based on the previous ten five years, for….etc. (we all know that whatever a statistic is saying, weather during the FCE itself can be good or bad, regardless of the previous statistics. And 5 years gives a good enough idea about the conditions).

2.12 Proposed budget, Sources of Income, and the amount of Entry Fee for Competitors, Alternates, Heads of Delegation, Team Leaders Managers, Team Coaches, Other Delegation Members, etc.
(Many times there is confusion about the entry fees for alternates. There must be a rule requirement to make clear in the bid what alternates have to pay, and what is includes and excludes. The term Team Leaders is not correct as that person is part of the team and covered by competitors Entry Fee. What is meant is Team Manager)
3.1.1 The NAC organising a First Category Event will propose two Official Information Bulletins in electronic format, both to be posted on the FAI/IPC Website. All Bulletins must be in English. Both bulletins must follow the timeline and protocol as per SC5 4.2.5.)

An Official Information Bulletin must be approved by the IPC Bureau before issue (see SC5 4.2.5). The first Bulletin must be issued at least 4 months before the start of the FCE in question. The second Bulletin will be issued at a date chosen by the Organiser which must be at least 30 days before the start of the FCE in question. These Official Information Bulletins must be posted on the FAI/IPC web site at the same time.

3.1.2.
The first Official Information Bulletin must be written in English and must contain the following information and documents:

*Box items*

10. Date and time of official training jumps and first and last competition jumps

This further specification is needed, as it is part of the bid and entry fees.

11. add: Jury members

17. delete expected. Weather cannot be expected. Change sentence to: statistical meteorological data, based on information of the past 5 years.

New: add: Insurance details (third party liability, medical, etc.)

New: add: Visa information

Insurance and visa information is absolutely necessary information.

3.1.3.
The second Official Information Bulletin must be written in English and, may only contain new, additional and/or changed information, including must contain the following information:

*(avoid duplication and this is better reading)*

*Box items*

List of entries received to that date.

Any changes to any information given in the first Official Information Bulletin.

**Any new information**

Any other information that is considered useful and helpful.

3.3. Medals.

Flowchart to provide non-FAI (organiser) medals needs updating, best without specific years, and with more realistic deadlines.

ORGANISER AGREEMENT SCHEDULE 1

1.1. Event deposit

- in Formation Skydiving *(excluding indoor)* or Freefall Style and Accuracy Landing – €13,000 (indoor FS needs a separate deposit value + word “Landing” is missing)
- in *(indoor)* Artistic Events, Canopy Formation and Canopy Piloting. *(indoor AE is missing in the events list. The € 4000 seems appropriate)*
- Add: in Indoor Formation Skydiving - €8,000 *(there are less competitors in Indoor FS to warrant the € 13.000 deposit, and it is assumed there is less liability for IPC in indoor events)*

for World Cups and other FCE’s – 75% of the above amounts.

In the case of World Cups and for other FCE’s only, if the circumstances warrant it, a lesser amount may be agreed by the Commission, upon recommendation from either the IPC Bureau, or the Competition Committee(s) for the discipline(s) concerned.

(in line with the text in 2.2.3 and 2.2.4)

ANNEX 1 TO SCHEDULE 1
(2), (3) and (4).
...the International Jury...
(the correct wording is without the word “International”. In (4) and (5) this is already the case)

Overall remark: The Organiser Agreement (OA) Schedule and Annex 1 are mostly copy-paste of earlier text, and as such a possible source for textual mistakes. Is this a part that needs to be signed by the organiser? If decided that this is not the case, why not delete it and make sure it is in the OA only.

This clause was modified arising from the R&R Open Meeting – 3.1.2 Box items
10. Date and time of official training jumps / performances and first and last competition jumps / performances.
Performances added, as per open meeting.

The above proposals were carried by the Plenary.

22.7 IPC Controller Handbook
The following item was included in Annex 58
IPC Controller Handbook
4.3.9 referral to SC5 - should be 4.3.10
Housekeeping.

A vote was not taken on this as the Controller Handbook contents are not rules; the Handbook is a set of guidelines only.

22.8 IPC Jury Handbook
The following item was included in Annex 58
IPC Jury Handbook
Reference to Diplomas, page 6 and checklist. To be deleted, diplomas are no longer given by the IPC (since March 1st 2015, as per IPC Plenary decision).

Protest time shortening – Reference to SC5 5.3.1 (3) clarifying the situation regarding the shortening of protest to (MD + team managers).

JURY FINAL REPORT FORM

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Make clear that a signature is needed as the Final Jury Report has to have a legal status.

A vote was not taken on this as the IPC Jury Handbook contents are not rules; the Handbook is a set of guidelines only.

President Windsor thanked R. Overdijk and the R&R Committee for its work during the past year.
23 | FINANCE – BUDGETS 2016 AND 2017

23.1 Doris Merz-Hunziker, IPC Finance Secretary, presented amended 2016 and 2017 budgets, the latest figures being based on the allocation of competitions, on the previous day, by the Plenary.

The amended 2016 budget shows a deficit of €15,200, and the 2017 budget shows a deficit of €38,550. These deficit amounts were explained as showing worst-case scenarios, with a conservative estimate of income and an estimated maximum spend. It was likely that this would not be the end result, but it was wise to adopt this budgeting approach.

The 2016 and 2017 Budgets are appended to these minutes as Appendix E.

23.2 President Windsor thanked D. Merz-Hunziker for her work.

24 | FAI JUDGING

24.1 Pia Berggren, Chair Judges Committee, reported on the Committees’ work in 2015.

24.2 The following proposed Judges Committee Rules changes were proposed.

1.1.2 (9) NATIONAL JUDGE: A Judge fulfilling the requirements of a National Airsport Control but not yet designated as an FAI Parachuting or Indoor Skydiving Judge.

Change to
1.1.2 (9) NATIONAL JUDGE:

a) A Judge fulfilling the requirements of a National Airsport Control but not yet designated as an FAI Parachuting or Indoor Skydiving Judge.
b) A judge, from a country affiliated to ASIANA or COLPAR that does not have its own NAC, will be considered a National ASIANA or National COLPAR Judge.

Remark: Still countries with no national program for judges.

6.1.1 (3) Record of Judging Activity Each FAI Parachuting Judge must keep a record of their judging activity in a logbook. The IPC Judges’ Committee shall keep a record of all judging at First and Second Category Events and the final result of any formal evaluation of each Judge.

Change to
6.1.1 (3) Record of Judging Activity

All FAI Parachuting judges must maintain an FAI/FAI equivalent logbook which must include personal data. Each entry must contain at least the following information: date of competition, name of competition, name of Chief Judge, location, function, discipline judged, and the number of jumps/performances actually judged in each discipline. All entries must be in English and signed by the Chief Judge of the competition recorded.

All reevaluations or new training courses taken must be recorded in the same logbook and signed by the Chief Judge of Training, including test results.

The IPC Judges’ Committee shall keep a record of all judging at First Category Events, and any event that meet the criteria for judge requalification “refer to” and the final result of any formal evaluation of each Judge.

Remark: To synchronize and standardize

6.1.2 (7) Evaluation in Accuracy Landing, CP, SP and WS(P) The Evaluation will be carried out during a competition under the control of the Chief Judge Training.

Change to
6.1.2(7) state qualifications of SP, WS

Evaluation in Accuracy Landing, CP, SP and WS(P)

a) AL, CP and SP: The Evaluation will be carried out during a competition under the control of the Chief of Judges Training.
b) WS(P) The Evaluation will be carried out during a competition under the control of the Chief of Judges Training or at another time using data from a previous competition.

Reason: To make it possible for a training course to be conducted at another opportunity than a formal competition.

New rule
6.2.2 Newly approved IPC disciplines (in the first year)
An IPC sanctioned FAI Judges Training Course in a newly FAI/IPC approved discipline has the following participation criteria – a candidate must be:
(1) A National judge in that discipline as defined in 1.1.2 (9) or (also change in 6.2.1)
(2) a fully Y1 qualified FAI Judge, in any discipline, and have their NAC’s approval to attend the course.

To be selected as a Judge for a new FAI/IPC approved discipline only judges who have attended and successfully passed the initial training course should be considered.

New numbering 6.2.2 - old 6.2.2 becomes 6.2.3 and so on..

4.3.1 Judging Equipment
(1) In accordance with the Organiser Agreement, the Organiser must provide and pay for the judging equipment and scoring system(s) necessary to properly evaluate and score all jumps and indoor performances made during the FCE and to properly conduct any course for Judges in Training.

The judging equipment and scoring system(s), both hardware and software, to be used must receive prior approval from the IPC Judges Committee and the relevant IPC Competition Committee.

Change to
4.3.1 Judging Equipment
(1) In accordance with the Organiser Agreement, the Organiser must provide and pay for the IPC approve judging equipment and scoring system(s) necessary to properly evaluate and score all jumps and indoor performances made during the FCE and to properly conduct any course for Judges in Training.

The judging equipment and scoring system(s), both hardware and software, to be used must receive prior approval from the IPC Judges Committee and the relevant IPC Competition Committee. An annual approved list will be maintained by the Judges Committee and published on the IPC website.

4.6.1 Attendance at First Category Events
(1) There must be a sufficient number of FAI Parachuting Judges available for all appropriate tasks provided in the Sporting Code and Competition Rules.
(2) The minimum number of FAI Parachuting Judges, including the CJ, required at a WPC/WISC is:

- Freefall Style & Accuracy Landing: 15
- Indoor Formation Skydiving: 12
- Artistic Events: 9
- Paraski: 7
- Speed Skydiving: 3
- Formation Skydiving: 15
- Indoor Artistic Events: 5
- Canopy Formation: 7
- Canopy Piloting: 11
- Wingsuit: P:3: A:5

The numbers above may be reduced by the Judges Committee depending on the number of entrants. Judges who are not required will be informed within a week of the provisional entry deadline.

FAI Parachuting Judges, additional to this number, must be agreed to by the CJ and the Organiser. The Organiser must supply sufficient personnel to assist the CJ in filling the technical and administrative positions, as specified in the relevant competition rules, which do not require FAI Parachuting Judges.

Change to
4.6.1 Attendance at First Category Events
(1) There must be a sufficient number of FAI Parachuting Judges available for all appropriate tasks provided in the Sporting Code and Competition Rules.
(2) The minimum number of FAI Parachuting Judges, including the CJ, required at a 1st Cat event is:

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The numbers above may be reduced by the Judges Committee depending on the number of entrants. Judges who are not required will be informed within a week of the provisional entry deadline.

FAI Parachuting Judges, additional to this number, must be agreed to by the CJ and the Organiser and has to be on the nominated list for that competition. The Organiser must supply sufficient personnel to assist the CJ in filling the technical and administrative positions, as specified in the relevant competition rules, which do not require FAI Parachuting Judges.

Reason: After listening to the floor at the open meeting and after taking in consideration the differences of our disciplines we decide to keep the possibility of having an additional judge but we want to ensure that it’s a qualified judge for that competition.

6.4.1 Accuracy Landing
In the two calendar years preceding the calendar year in which the event is being held:

1. successfully passed an IPC approved evaluation (as defined in 6.1.2(5)) on the content of the Sporting Code and relevant Competition Rules, or have served as a Judge in the relevant discipline in any capacity (other than Assistant to the CJ) at an FCE, SCE or World Games or
2. is already an FAI Judge in that discipline at the time of the competition, and have served as a FAI Controller or a Jury Member at a FCE, SCE or World Games for the specific discipline.

6.4.2 Freefall Style, FS, Indoor FS, CF, AE, Indoor AE, CP, SP and WS
In the two calendar years preceding the calendar year in which the event is being held:

1. successfully passed an IPC approved evaluation (as defined in 6.1.2(6)) in the relevant discipline, or
2. have served as a Judge in the relevant discipline in any capacity (other than Assistant to the CJ) at an FCE, SCE or World Games.

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6.4.1 Accuracy Landing
In the two calendar years preceding the calendar year in which the event is being held:

1. successfully passed an IPC approved evaluation (as defined in 6.1.2(5)) on the content of the Sporting Code and relevant Competition Rules, or have served as a Judge in the relevant discipline in any capacity (other than Assistant to the CJ) at an FCE, SCE or World Games or
2. is already an FAI Judge in that discipline at the time of the competition, and have served as a FAI Controller or a Jury Member at a FCE, SCE or World Games for the specific discipline.

Reason: Standardise the training and re-evaluations. Problem with Definition of 2nd Cat. If we want same standard for all we need to have one channel of education and qualification.

We decided not to change 6.6.3
6.6.3 Other FAI Judges
The other FAI Judges required will be selected from the annual nomination list (6.5 above) of available FAI Parachuting Judges by the Chief Judge. The CJ must select one judge not
previously been selected for an FCE, for a panel of up to 10 judges, and two judges not previously selected if the panel is greater than 10.

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6.6.3 Other FAI Judges
The other FAI Judges required will be selected from the annual nomination list (6.5 above) of available FAI Parachuting Judges by the Chief Judge in conjunction with the Event Judges. The CJ must select one judge not previously been selected for an FCE, for a panel of up to 10 judges, and two judges not previously selected if the panel is greater than 10.
Reason: We will put this in the Chief Judge Handbook

The above proposals were passed unanimously

24.3 FAI Parachuting Judges for 2016
The 2016 FAI Parachuting Judges List was approved.

The list is appended to these minutes as Appendix F

24.4 Judges for FCEs not allocated at this time in the Plenary.
Nominations for Judges, for any event not yet approved by the Plenary, will be sought by 1st March 2016, and for Para Ski 2017 by 31 July 2016.

24.5 Chief Judges for 2016 FCEs and Para Ski 2017
P. Berggren submitted the Judges, as listed below, for approval.

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<th>Event</th>
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<td>6th FAI World Canopy Piloting Championships, Canada, 21-28 August 2016</td>
<td>Björn Korth</td>
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<td>Mondial 2016, Chicago, USA – Artistic Events</td>
<td>Thi Bich Van Ha</td>
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<td>Mondial 2016, Chicago, USA – Formation Skydiving</td>
<td>Karla Cole</td>
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<td>Mondial 2016, Chicago, USA – Canopy Formation</td>
<td>Bernard Nicolas</td>
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<td>Mondial 2016, Chicago, USA – Speed Skydiving</td>
<td>Arnold Hohenegger</td>
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<td>Mondial 2016, Chicago, USA – Freefall Style &amp; Accuracy Landing</td>
<td>Günter Berendt</td>
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<td>1st FAI World Wingsuit Performance Flying C'ships, Florida, USA, 2–6 Nov. 2016</td>
<td>Kate Charters</td>
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<td>2nd FAI World Cup of Indoor Skydiving, Poland, 20-24 Oct 2016 - AE Events</td>
<td>Aliya Ananina</td>
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<td>2nd FAI World Cup of Indoor Skydiving, Poland, 20-24 Oct 2016 - FS Events</td>
<td>Jurate Janusauskiene</td>
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<td>16th FAI World Para Ski Championships, Salzburg, Austria 2017</td>
<td>Darko Svetina</td>
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Note:- This appointment was made at the 2015 IPC Plenary Meeting

The above Chief Judges nominations were approved unanimously

24.6 Changes to Judges Committee personnel
P. Berggren stated that there would be changes to the Committee, and she would stand down as Chair.

24.7 President Windsor thanked Pia Berggren for the work she had performed, over a number of years, as Chair of the Judges Committee.

25 AWARDS

25.1 FAI Gold Parachuting Medal
Gustavo Eduardo Reyes, IPC Delegate, Argentina, presented the nomination of Tomas Danil Berriolo for the FAI Gold Parachuting Medal for 2016.
The procedure is that a vote first had to be taken, to decide whether this award would be made in 2016.
It was decided unanimously to make the award in 2016.
As there was one nominee only, the FAI Gold Parachuting Medal for 2016 was awarded to
Tomas Danil Berriolo of Argentina.

25.3 **Leonardo da Vinci Diploma**
The nomination of José Angel Bassano for this award had been made by Argentina.

R. Overdijk, Chair of the Rules & Regulations Committee, said that the criteria required for this award, even though they may have been met by the nominee, were not in the nomination.

The nomination was deferred until Plenary 2017, when it will be again discussed.

25.4 **Proposal to establish Raija Kosonen Award in Freestyle**

A proposal, supported by the Finnish NAC, to establish the Raija Kosonen Award in Freestyle was presented by Pasi Pirttikoski, IPC Delegate for Finland, and Ron Miasnikov, Chair of the AE Committee.

The intention was to present the award, for the first time, at Freestyle Championships in Mondial 2016, Chicago, USA – if the Plenary voted to establish this award.

The Plenary voted unanimously to adopt the Raija Kosonen Award in Freestyle.

### 26 | ANY OTHER BUSINESS

26.1 **Germany presented the finalised bid to host the following** -

- 21st FAI World Cup of Formation Skydiving, 14th FAI European Formation Skydiving Championships
- 12th FAI World Cup of Artistic Events, 11th FAI European Artistic Events Championships
- 9th FAI World Cup of Canopy Formation, 7th FAI European Canopy Formation Championships
- 3rd FAI World Cup of Speed Skydiving, 2nd FAI European Speed Skydiving Championships at Saarlouis, Germany, 7-13 August 2017

Helmut Bastuck, Managing Director, DFV, stated that DFV had decided not to increase the entry fee (changes made in the FS Competition Rules at this Plenary would have affected the prices/entry fees) as only one discipline, 4-way open FS would be affected.

The Chairs of the FS, AE, CF and Speed Committees all expressed satisfaction with the bid, which was then put to a vote.

The Plenary unanimously approved the bid.

The finalised, accepted, bid is appended to these minutes, as Appendix I

26.2 **Plenary 2016**

István Sipos, IPC Delegate, Hungary, drew the attention of the Plenary to the fact that the requirement to provide an adequate internet connection, as per the IPC rules for hosting a Plenary meeting, had not been met in Frankfurt. He further stated that there were consequences for not following the agreement and that the €500 deposit should be retained and placed in IPC funds.

J. Smyth, UK, and K. Verner, USA, also referred to the lack of an adequate internet connection.

It was agreed that the incoming Bureau would deal with this issue.

### 27 | ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

27.1 **Juries and FAI Controllers 2016, and FAI Controllers 2017**

The following were proposed by IPC 1st Vice President Dr Rainer ‘Exi’ Hoenle and were unanimously approved by the Plenary.

#### JURIES & FAI CONTROLLERS 2016 & FAI CONTROLLERS 2017

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<th>6th FAI World Canopy Piloting Championships, Farnham, Canada, 21-28 August 2016</th>
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<td>Jury</td>
<td>Marylou Laughlin</td>
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<td>Ronald Overdijk - President</td>
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<td>Alberto Martin Paracuellos</td>
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<td>Elisabet Mikaelsson</td>
<td>Reserve – Larry Hill</td>
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27.2 Confirmation of the 2016 Committees and Working Groups
The Bureau presented the list of proposed members of Committees and Working Groups to the Plenary for approval. Russia asked why Julia Sotnikova was no longer a member of the Canopy Formation Committee. It was explained that the choice of Committee members was a matter for the relevant Committee Chair.

The Plenary accepted the Committee and Working Group membership, as proposed.

The list of Committee and Working Group members is appended to these minutes as Appendix

27.3 Nomination and Election of IPC IPETA Directors

27.3.1 The Bureau nominated two people to be IPETA Directors for 2016 - Ronald Overdijk and Graeme Windsor

27.3.2 The Plenary agreed to reappoint the three existing IPETA Directors as IPETA Directors for 2016.

Gail Bradley, Marylou Laughlin, István Sipos

The five people, listed in 27.3.1 and 27.3.2 were returned by the Plenary as IPETA Directors for 2016.
27.4 Confirmation of the IPC World Air Games Liaison Officer
It was agreed, on the suggestion of President Windsor, that for the present this position did not need to be filled, as there was no WAG being organised. It was further agreed that if a requirement did arise for an IPC WAG Liaison Officer the Bureau would make an appointment.

27.5 Confirmation of the IPC World Games Liaison Officer
Elisabet Mikaelsson agreed to continue in this role.
This was unanimously approved.

27.6 Webmaster & Media Liaison Officer
The Bureau nominated Susan Dixon for this position.
This nomination was unanimously approved.

27.7 IPC Records Officer
The Bureau nominated Randy Connell for this position.
This nomination was unanimously approved.

27.8 Nominations and Elections to IPC Bureau positions
These elections are for a two-year term of office, until IPC Plenary 2018.
There were 34 Delegates present, holding 6 proxies, totaling 40 votes.
A simple majority would be 21.

27.8.1 Nomination and Election of IPC President
Nomination slips were distributed and the following were nominated -
R. Overdijk, G. Rittenschober and J. Smyth declined nomination.
R. ‘Exi’ Hoenle and G. Windsor accepted nomination.
R. ‘Exi’ Hoenle and G. Windsor both made presentations on their qualifications and their vision for IPC.
The result of the ballot, R. Hoenle 22, G. Windsor 18, was that R. ‘Exi’ Hoenle was returned as IPC President.
President Hoenle asked Graeme Windsor, due to his experience in these matters, to continue to Chair the Plenary, to which G. Windsor agreed.

27.8.2 Nomination and election of IPC First Vice President
Nomination slips were distributed and the following were nominated -
Not eligible – M. Suwailem A Alsuwailem and G. Windsor were not eligible as neither was a Delegate.
P. Girardin accepted nomination and, as he was the sole candidate, was returned unopposed to the position of IPC 1st Vice President.

27.8.3 Nomination and Election of Two IPC Vice Presidents
Nomination slips were distributed and the following were nominated -
A. Staminova, T. Svigum, K. Verner.
R. Overdijk and A. M. Paracuellos accepted nomination, and as they were the only candidates they were returned unopposed to the positions of IPC Vice presidents.
The Delegate for Slovakia left at this stage, resulting in 33 Delegates being present, holding 6 proxies, totaling 39 votes. A simple majority would be 20.

27.8.4 Nomination and Election of IPC Finance Secretary
Nomination slips were distributed and the following were nominated -
All the nominated persons declined, resulting in there not being any candidate.

**27.8.5 Nomination and Election of IPC Recording Secretary**

Nomination slips were distributed and the following were nominated:
- Not eligible – A. M. Paracuellos, as he had been elected a Vice President, S. Schödel, as she is Secretary General of FAI.

S. Dixon accepted, and as she was the only candidate she was returned unopposed to the position of IPC Recording Secretary.

S. Schödel congratulated R. ‘Exi’ Hoenle on his election as IPC President and presented him with an FAI badge to wear at FAI functions. She thanked G. Windsor for his work as IPC President over the past number of years.

R. Miasnikov thanked L. McNulty for his work as IPC Recording Secretary.

G. Windsor thanked D. Merz-Hunziker for her work as IPC Finance Secretary over the past two years.

**27.9 Juror List**

The 2016 Juror List, showing deletions and additions, and a record of Juries served on, was presented by R. ‘Exi’ Hoenle.

The list was approved by the Plenary and is appended to these minutes as Appendix G.

**28 FUTURE IPC PLENARY MEETINGS**

**28.1 67th IPC Plenary Meeting 2017**

Bids to host the 67th IPC Plenary Meeting in 2017 had been received from:
- Australia – presented bid
- Portugal – presented bid

**28.2** The first step in the choice of a venue for the 2017 Plenary meeting was taken – a decision whether or not to have the meeting in Lausanne.

An absolute majority, as required by the regulations, voted in favour of holding the 2017 Plenary Meeting outside Lausanne.

**28.3** Following presentations by the Australian and Portuguese Delegates, a secret ballot was called for, to determine the location, from the two bids, for the 2017 IPC Plenary meeting.

*It was noted that at this point there were 32 Delegates, holding 6 proxies, a total of 38 votes.*

The result of the ballot was – 14 votes for Australia, 24 votes for Portugal.

**28.4 Venue for 2017 Plenary**

The 67th IPC Plenary Meeting 2017 will be held in Faro, Portugal, 25-29 January 2017.

The Portuguese Delegate paid the deposit of 500 Euro.

**29 ADJOURNMENT OF 66TH IPC PLEANRY MEETING AND THANKS TO THE HOST**

**29.1** Graeme Windsor thanked Deutscher Fallschirmsportverband (DFV) e. V., the German National Parachuting Federation, for hosting the 2016 Plenary meeting.

**29.2** Susanne Schödel, FAI Secretary General, thanked the hosts for organising the Plenary.

**29.3** Helmut Bastuck and IPC President, Dr Rainer ‘Exi’ Hoenle, on behalf of DFV, thanked the Delegates for attending and for their work during the meeting.

The 66th IPC Plenary Meeting 2016 concluded at 14:15, Sunday 24 January 2016