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1 WELCOME, ATTENDANCE AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

1.1 IN MEMORIAM

President Gillian Rayner 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, using a background slide presentation.. **Addendum 1** - In Memoriam Slide Show

1.2 WELCOME ADDRESS

Gillian Rayner gave the floor to Mr. David Roth, President of the Federation Francaise de Parachutisme thanking him for hosting this plenary. Mr. Roth then welcomed all Delegates and attendees to the 69th FAI/IPC Plenary Meeting.

He thanked Patrice Girardin for his work in preparation of the Plenary meeting, but primarily for his work for the Federation and the sport towards the Olympic Project and directed delegates attention to the FFP Web Site and the #Flyin2024 Olympic Project. Patrice Girardin then updated the Plenary on the progress being made, the complexity of the Olympic system, the meetings that had been held and the matter is now with the Paris Organising Committee and there can be no further 'lobbying'. However he did emphasise the importance of all 68 IPC Delegates supporting France with a simple letter of support. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

1.3 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No Apologies for absence had been received

1.4 ROLL CALL, CONDUCTED BY FAI (MARKUS HAGGENEY)

A roll call was conducted by Markus Haggeneay, FAI Sports & Events Director;

Results:	Total Delegates (Nations) Present;	36
	Total Proxies	12
	Votes	48
	Therefore - Simple Majority	25
	2/3rds Majority	32

The Delegate list is annexed to these Minutes **Addendum 2**

1.5 APPROVAL OF THE PROXIES

The following Proxies had been received and were deemed valid:-

Estonia	proxy to	Finland
Indonesia	proxy to	Peru
Ireland	proxy to	Australia (after Ireland left the Plenary)
Israel	proxy to	Belgium
Kazakhstan	proxy to	Korea
Lithuania	proxy to	Canada
F.Y.R Macedonia	proxy to	Bulgaria
Portugal	proxy to	France
Slovenia	proxy to	Serbia
Slovakia	proxy to	Czech Republic

Ukraine	proxy to	Romania
Croatia	proxy to	Bosnia and Herzegovina (Update 1)

1.6 DELEGATE ADDRESS LIST - TO BE UPDATED

The Delegate Address list was circulated and those present were asked to check the details on the list, make any necessary changes, and provide full contact details.

1.7 DECLARATION OF ANY CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

President Gillian Rayner 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.

2 MINUTES OF THE 2018 PLENARY MEETING

President Rayner asked the Recording Secretary if there had been any changes to the published minutes from the 2018 Plenary meeting in Sofia; there had been none. She then called for a vote to approve the minutes of the 68th IPC Plenary Meeting in Sofia 2018.

There being **no objections or abstentions to the Proposal it was carried unanimously.**

3 FAI REPORT

3.1 FAI REPRESENTATION AT 68TH IPC PLENARY MEETING 2018

Susanne Schödel, Secretary General of the FAI and Mr. Markus Haggene, Sports and Events Director represented FAI at this IPC Plenary Meeting.

3.2 REPORT OF FAI REPRESENTATIVE

Susanne Schödel, commenced her address by stating that it was just as well IPC did not wish to use the voting system as it was lost in Egypt somewhere, following the General Conference. She then passed on the greetings to IPC from the new FAI President, Bob Henderson, from New Zealand, previous member of the EB and past president of IGC, who sent his best wishes for a good meeting. She went on to speak about the General Conference and the Strategy work being done towards a One FAI and complimented IPC on their initiative in running the Workshop, prior to this Plenary.

Susanne continued her presentation to cover the explosive development of FAI events, the increasing number of Cat. 1 events and the strain this puts onto the Head Office. Her full presentation is given as an Annex 3.1.1 to the Agenda.

Markus Haggene, FAI Sports & Events Director, spoke briefly about the latest position with regard to the World Air Games which had been postponed from 2020 to 2022, which serves FAI and IPC much better as it will give time for IPC to prepare an excellent event. A new drop zone is apparently being created in another location than Ephesus although no details are available yet.

Liam McNulty (IRL) then raised the question that he had put to the FAI at the previous Plenary with regard to the written confirmation that the FAI would not use the ring fenced funds of the ASC's including IPC, without the written consent of the Commission. Despite raising this question at the 2018 Plenary and several mails to both the Secretary General and the President of FAI he still did not have an answer. Susanne Schödel responded by stating that Liam was misunderstanding the situation as she understood it. Gillian Rayner apologised on behalf of the FAI to Liam who ended by stating he reserved the right to raise the question again, next year, if he did not receive confirmation in writing that the FAI, as previously publicly stated, would not use the ASC's allocated reserves without the consent of that ASC.

4 IPC PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

4.1 IPC PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Rayner's report was circulated as an Annex with the Agenda and she did not intend to go over it again on the assumption that it had been read by all present. She did however wish to speak about the Workshop held prior to the Plenary. Every year an Extended Bureau meeting is held prior to the Plenary, but time has never been taken to step back and look at the overall picture of IPC and the direction we are taking. The Bureau had decided to take an additional day for the Extended Bureau to hold a workshop and invite a few specialist additional guests. The workshop was conducted under the guidance of a professional facilitator. The full presentation is published as **Addendum 3** to the minutes.

A lot of work for the coming year has come out of the Workshop which chose to concentrate of four areas; Communications - IPC Governance/Relationship between FAI & IPC - Disciplines - Indoor. The IPC Bureau can be confident in the knowledge that there is consensus from the workshop on the direction and that the bureau has the mandate to take key priorities forward accordingly. Gillian was pleased to report that action has already commenced: the re-activation of the Media and Presentation Working Group and the Dynamic Working Group to become a Committee. She undertook to report back on the progress made at the next Plenary.

With regard to the financial status of IPC as a result of running a negative budget over several years which will be expanded on in the report from the Finance Secretary it appears inevitable have to raise the Sanction Fee.

There being **no questions** , **the Report was carried unanimously.**

4.2 FINAL JURY REPORTS 2018

President Rayner then drew Plenary attention to the FCE's 2018 Final Jury Reports. There were **no questions relating to these reports which were accepted unanimously.**

4.3 INTERIM BUREAU DECISIONS 2018

President Rayner stated that the Bureau had been very busy during 2018 leading to the publication of 20 Interim Bureau Decisions. There were **no questions regarding the IBD's and they were accepted unanimously.**

5 GENERAL ISSUES

Open Meeting, Strategic Plan/Olympic Project, Website and Media – Appointment of Webmaster, Media Liaison Officer, Skydive-TV, IPETA, CISM, Ranking System, IPC Records - Appointment of IPC Records Officer

5.1 OPEN MEETING – WEDNESDAY 27TH JANUARY 2018

President Rayner spoke about the Open Meeting held on Wednesday morning following the Extended Bureau/Workshop on Monday afternoon and Tuesday. One of the projects of the workshop was IPC Governance and as President she was ultimately responsible for this and how the committees worked. Our Internal Statues state the President will attend all committee meetings; she did not believe this was practical, feasible or necessary but she did believe she should be included in e-mail exchanges within the committees to keep abreast of their work and if she deemed it necessary to ask questions.

She also referred to the work created by the change in IPC's record policy and the huge number of records being set and the workload that had created. At the beginning of the year Randy Connell had resigned from the position of Records Officer, due to personal reasons, and she thanked Randy for his work. There was an ovation from the floor. However she found that there was a large backlog of

incomplete dossiers from 2018 which she undertook to clear with the FAI Head Office. During the FCE in Voss, as Jury members Elisabet and herself had been able to clear all the outstanding Indoor Competition records but this left many Performance Records and a few competition records outstanding. A number of these were from one country and required extensions to the deadline. These were rejected by the NAC of that country who escalated the issue to the FAI. The result of this was a tightening of the process which has led to a modification of the Sporting Code General Section and finally, towards the end of the year, a refusal on the part of FAI to continue accepting extensions when deadlines had not been respected. After much persuasion on her part, the FAI agreed to honour the extensions but in exchange that IPC conducted training for all people on the IPC Jury List and also Judges involved in record certification. This had been done during the Open Meetings and the course was available on the Cloud and would be available on the IPC Website/ Documents. No extensions will be granted in 2019 other than for very exceptional reasons.

However one other problem which would be highlighted by the Finance Secretary in her report was the cost of the IPC Records policy change which included covering the FAI costs (at a reduced fee) instead of the competitor for the Competition World and Continental Records. This created an unbudgeted expense of over 8000 Euros. One Extended Bureau suggestion was to only continue to fund the Competition World Records but to continue to do the work in preparing and completing the dossier for Competition Continental Records. This would then be handed to the Competitor to finalise him/herself via their NAC. Discussion followed as to whether the competitor could pay on site and the Jury President still send the dossier to the FAI, or whether the NAC should handle the dossier maintaining the reduced rate. It was decided to continue as we are for 2019, considering that the potential number of competition records is decreased (no new disciplines/record qualification) to discuss this with FAI and to come back to the Plenary next year with a proposal for change.

5.2 STRATEGIC PLAN - OLYMPIC PROJECT

This had been covered by the FFP President Mr. David Roth in his welcome address and subsequent update by Patrice Girardin.

5.3 WEBSITE & MEDIA LIAISON OFFICER

Before presentation of her report, President Rayner announced to the Plenary the decision of Susan Dixon, IPC Webmaster and Media Liaison Officer to resign. Gillian referred to the number of years Susan had done this work for IPC and the long and hard hours she had put in on behalf of our sport. She called for an expression of thanks from the Plenary and Susan was subject to an extended standing ovation from all present.

The IPC Webmaster and Media Liaison Officer referred to her Reports, Agenda Item Annex 5.3 & 5.3.1. which she presumed delegates had read, and concentrated in her presentation on the history and nature of her roles within IPC. She was so pleased to be part of the revived Media & Promotions Working Group. She confirmed her intention to continue as IPC Recording Secretary.

She thanked all FCE Organisers who had made her so welcome during 2018. She personally thanked Fay Kimble for not only covering her inability to attend the FCE's in Bulgaria, Australia and Bahrain - but also despite breaking her ankle on the way to Australia Fay continued in her role of reporting on the Web Site despite restricted mobility.

Susan also thanked Claire King and Dirk Venter for their work in giving IPC its own Results Web-site - to Elisabet Mikaelsson for sourcing and purchasing the new domain name and Claire and Dirk for providing a very cost friendly hosting facility. Susan had proposed a small budget for unplanned 'tweaking' to the results site which she hoped the plenary would support when the 2019 budget was presented.

5.4 CISM

President Rayner then asked Col. Rittenschober to present the annual CISM report and thanked him for his continued support and work in bringing IPC and CISM closer together, and also for inviting her to attend the CISM World Championships in 2018.

Col. Gernot Rittenschober (Delegate Austria), President, CISM Parachuting Committee presented his report from 2018 (Agenda, Annex 5.4). He presented to the Plenary the new Style Judging system utilising Tablets which made judging faster and easier giving a quick results output. This system would be available to IPC for our FCE's.

During the two days prior to the Plenary Col. Rittenschober had attended a CISM meeting announcing a new CISM initiative to create a Heroes Military Games, based on the success of the Invictus Games which is not available to all nations. The idea is to create a 4 year cycle with 138 Member States, but it will be an integrated games for each disabled athlete there would be one non-disabled. He would liaise with the French Parachute Federation regarding Handifly to see how and where Parachuting could be incorporated. He also proposed that former military men and women were included due to the differences in national policies towards disabled personnel.

John Smyth (GBR) congratulated CISM on this initiative although GB had a disabled athlete Al Hodgson (ex Royal Marine) who had lost both legs to an IED in Northern Ireland but had competed as a camera flyer with his wife in AE Freestyle for many years, gaining a Bronze Medal. So there was a format there. Gernot thanked him for the suggestion, as defining possible format's was the difficulty, but as UK was not a member of CISM that would present a problem.

Randy Connell (USA) commented that the USA had many Heroes who skydived despite their disabilities including an ex Marine who had lost both legs and one arm. Gernot agreed and said the difficulty was in finding a fair platform of disability and one of the suggestions was to work on a 'handicap' (similar to golf) system.

5.5 RANKING SYSTEM

Susan Dixon (FRA, Official Observer) then spoke about the changes to the Ranking System last year under Dr. Rainer 'EXI' Hoenle introducing a revised method of points awarding / competition ranking / individual performer as well as NAC's. She was uncertain as to the desire of the Plenary to continue with such a system, Fay Kimble and herself had not yet done the work for 2018 (other than the main system for CP) and looked for guidance from the Plenary as to whether or not to continue. As this was not a proposed agenda item she was looking for a show of hands to indicate support for continuance. This was called for and given, so she and Fay Kimble undertook to produce Ranking lists for 2018 for the Web Site and following the competitions during 2019 also for the next Plenary.

5.6 IPC RECORDS OFFICER

As covered in her report from the Open Meetings, President Rayner had announced the decision to remove the position of Records Officer from IPC officials and the matter had been handed to the R & R committee to deal with in terms of our Internal Regulations. Randy Connell (USA, official observer) asked if it would be better to allow the position to lapse but leave it available for the future but the proposal was not seconded.

5.7 IPC PARACHUTING FOR THE DISABLED WORKING GROUP

Alyia Ananina (RUS, Delegate) presented her report (Agenda Annex 5.7) from the working group and thanked Russia for the very successful 3rd Handifly Euro Challenge held in Russia 2018. Although there were continuing problems in establishing a disability ranking system a very positive attitude continues. She was very pleased to be able to announce that Portugal intends to host a Handifly Euro Challenge in August 2019. As soon as more information is known it will be announced to all Delegates and on the Web Site.

6 FINANCE

6.1 FINANCE SECRETARY'S REPORT FOR 2018 AND DRAFT BUDGETS 2019 AND 2020

Gail Bradley, (AUS Delegate) (Finance Secretary) thanked her Working Group comprising Buzz Bennett and Patrice Girardin for their constructive two meetings held in 2018.

Gail Bradley (AUS Delegate), Finance Secretary's Report and Draft Budgets were contained in Annex 6.1 and 6.1.1. with the Agenda documents. She then, using a Power Point presentation, explained to the Plenary the current financial position of IPC, which demonstrated that without a major change in policy and practises, the IPC would be out of funds by 2020.

She explained the position she found IPC at the start of her tenure as Finance Secretary; how there had been unexpected omissions from both income and expenditure budgets and the clear need to continue to work with FAI and the ASC's account to have a greater understanding of it and how it impacts on IPC's ability to budget with greater professionalism.

Gail proposes to visit Lausanne to gain clarity over IPC's actual financial position and will report to the 2020 Plenary on the exact balance of the ASC Reserve, about which she has little certainty.

Given this position there were few options open to IPC; either delay doing anything for one year while the exact position is clarified, but obviously we must increase our income and decrease our expenditure, immediately and into the future. While advocating increasing our income via increasing our participation numbers, she also recalculated the figures to show how an increase in the Sanction Fee would impact depending on the amount and when it was done. She also showed to the Plenary how, if different decisions had been made in the past and the sanction fees increased in line with inflation (normal practice) where they and we would be now. If we had followed inflation and indexed the Sanction Fee each year, today it would be 140€ which is an untenable increase to suddenly announce, but may be done incrementally to catch up.

She explained that if we increased the sanction fee by 10€ now, i.e. 90€ to 100€ all this would do is delay things by two years, but if we increase now by 20€ she may not be back in a couple of years asking to increase it again if we use this time to increase participation or decrease expenditure. Reducing expenditure is a more complex method of keeping IPC solvent.

Gail Bradley (Finance Secretary), as recommended by the Extended Bureau, asked for a 2/3 majority to put a proposal to increase the Sanction Fee onto the Agenda. There were no objections or abstentions so a 2/3rds majority had been achieved and it would be placed on the Agenda for discussion and to be voted on.

Dr. Rainer 'EXI' Hoenle (GER, Delegate) congratulated Gail on her presentation and asked that serious consideration be given to the use of World Cups to reduce our expenditure by looking to reduce the number of judges and test various proposals for Jury/Controller reduction/change.

Kirk Verner (USA, Delegate) asked that should agreement be reached to raise the Sanction Fee, for those competitions already accepted onto the competition calendar who would pay the increase. As all bids pricing should show Sanction Fees as an additional item, (i.e. Entrance fee (+IPC Sanction Fee) it would be paid for by competitors, and shown as such in the first Bulletin.

Gail Bradley (Finance Secretary) proposed to the Plenary that the IPC Sanction Fee for all First Category Events (excluding the first 3 in 2019 - 17th FAI World ParaSki Championships, (CZE) 3rd FAI World Indoor Skydiving Championships, (FRA) and Freefall Style & Accuracy Landing. Championships (ARG)) be raised from 90 Euros to 110 Euros. **There were 3 Against, 0 Abstentions so the proposal was passed unanimously.**

6.2 DRAFT BUDGETS 2019 AND 2020

The revised budget for 2019 and 2020 were then presented - there were no questions, no one against, no abstentions Budgets for 2018 and 2019 were approved unanimously and are appended to these Minutes - **Addendum 4**.

6.3 CHANGES TO ERP

Gail Bradley, (Finance Secretary) reviewed changes made to the Expense Reimbursement Policy by her Working Group. These were **accepted unanimously** as most were for clarity.

7 ASIANIA

ASIANIA president Wang Yongi (CHN) along with Yang Dabin (CHN - Alternate) and Chang iL Choi (David) (KOR) presented their report (Agenda Annex 7), commencing with their thanks for the support they received from the FAI and Gillian Rayner, President, IPC for their activities during 2018. Following the success of their 1st ASIANIA Indoor Skydiving Championships in Chongqing, China they were pleased to be able to announce the agreement from China to host the 2nd Indoor Skydiving Championships 17-22/09/2019.

Faye Coxe, ASIANIA Secretary General had announced her retirement and ASIANIA thanked her for her dedication, support and hard work on behalf of ASIANIA since its inception in 1994. Gillian Rayner called for a show of appreciation and Faye (in her absence) received a standing ovation of respect and thanks from Delegates.

8 COLPAR

Gustavo Eduardo Reyes (ARG) 1st Vice President of COLPAR was pleased to introduce representation by three further COLPAR members to this Plenary; Meylin Sanchez (PER), COLPAR General Secretary, Carmen Petteña (BRA) and Anibal Dao (VEN). Meylin Sanchez then went on to introduce the COLPAR report (Agenda Annex 8).

Gustavo then emphasised how excited they all were, looking forward to the first ever World Parachuting competition to be held in Argentina and to welcoming all the athletes to the beautiful old city of Cordoba in May this year and a successful competition.

Before we moved to the next item on the Agenda Markus Haggene (FAI) reminded Delegates to let him know if they left the room during the meeting, as this could affect voting procedures. He also stated that he had just received an additional proxy (Croatia to Bosnia and Herzegovina) and this affected the 2/3rds majority figure presented at the start of the meeting.

	9.00	12.00
Present	36	36
Proxies	12	13
Total	48	49
Simple Majority	25	25
2/3 Majority	32	33

9 THE WORLD GAMES

Dr. Rainer 'EXI' Hoenle (GER, Delegate), the World Games Liaison officer referred to his report (Agenda Annex 9) and the decisions he had taken on visiting the proposed sites for the upcoming World Games

in Birmingham Alabama, USA, 2020. He had proposed to involve Albert Berchtold from Florida for his expertise on all levels and also to use the USA scoring system (IPC approved - ControlTower). He also felt it was very important to include Drone Racing as the second Air Sport as the FAI World Swoop Freestyle Championships in San Diego 2018 proved an integrated programme worked.

Markus Haggene (FAI) thanked 'Exi' and emphasised that over the 20 years of the World Games Skydiving had been included as one of the Air Sports at every single World Games. The IWGA had presented the FAI with the following breakdown for the number of participants.

	Canopy Piloting	Drone Racing
Athletes (M / F)	24 / 12	20 / 12
Technical Officials	16	14
No of Medals	1	1

He appreciated that it was difficult to get this level of mixed participation as Canopy Piloting is very male dominated and something to be worked on.

The Plenary then broke for Lunch:

Saturday, 26th January 2019, 14.30 hrs

10 WINGSUIT FLYING

10.1 REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE CHAIR

Dennis Werenskiold, Delegate, Denmark) Committee Chair presented his report, including all the proposed changes to the Competition Rules made by the committee following the Open Meetings and subsequent closed Committee meetings. These were contained in the document circulated to all Delegates on the IPC Plenary 2019 Cloud (docs.fai.org/IPC). The three proposals presented by the USA Delegate (Agenda Annex 10.3.1); Netherlands Delegate (Agenda Annex 10.3.2. and 10.3.2.a) and Sweden Delegate (Agenda Annex 10.3.3) had been discussed during the open meeting and incorporated into the proposed changes presented by the committee in the latest document. All three delegates confirmed that they were happy with the outcome and had no further questions.

The proposed changes are circulated with these Minutes - **Addendum 5**.

There were no questions from the floor and when put to the vote - **no objections or abstentions so the proposed rule changes were accepted unanimously.**

All the changes will be incorporated into the Wingsuit Flying Competition Rules 2019 to be published on the FAI/IPC Website with effect from 1st March 2019. All changes will be indicated by lines in the margin.

Dennis again reiterated his thanks to the Czech Republic for their successful completion of the 2nd FAI World Wingsuit Flying Championships 2018, in Prostejov.

10.2 BIDS TO HOST THE FUTURE FCE'S IN WINGSUIT FLYING

1st FAI European Wingsuit Flying Championships and 3rd FAI World Cup in Wingsuit Flying 2019, Ravenna, Italy 23-30 August 2019

The representative from the organisation, Marco Pistolesi was present to answer questions and explain the changes - as a result of suggestions made during the Open Meeting they had added the 1st FAI European Wingsuit Flying Championships to the programme and changed the date from that originally given in their bid to 23 - 30 August 2019 as this appeared to present the least clashes with other competitions. **Addendum 6**

Gail Bradley (Finance Secretary) confirmed that the application fee had been paid by the organisers.

President Rayner called for a vote for acceptance of the bid onto the Events Calendar 2019.

This proposed bid was accepted unanimously by the Plenary. Congratulations to Italy.

10.3 FAI 3RD WORLD WINGSUIT FLYING CHAMPIONSHIPS, MONDIAL, TANAY, RUSSIA 8 - 22 AUGUST 2020

As Wingsuit Flying forms part of the Mondial, Tanay, Russia 2020 the representative of the Russian organisation, Denis Sviridov presented the proposed changes to their bid. At the time of their bid this date had been altered so as not to cause too great a clash with the World Air Games, Turkey 2020 which had at the time just been announced. With the news that the WAG would not now take place until 2022 they wished to revert to their originally proposed dates of 8 - 22 August 2020.

When put to the vote **this proposed change was accepted unanimously by the Plenary.**

Denis Sviridov then referred to the other change to the Russian bid, to move the 36th FAI World Freefall Style & Accuracy Landing Championships and 10th FAI Junior Freefall Style & Accuracy Landing Championships to the city of Kemerovo, Russia, 120km from Tanay - this will bring our sport into a public arena. With one-hour travel time between the two venues the organisation will provide regular hourly shuttles between the two sites. All the Style and Accuracy Landing athletes and officials will be accommodated in the city of Kemerovo.

When put to the vote **this proposed change was accepted unanimously by the Plenary.**

Finally Denis Sviridov confirmed that the Russian revised bid document reflected the increase in the Sanction Fee to 110€.

Dennis Werenskiold completed his report and presentation by thanking his committee for all their work during the previous year and during this Plenary. He wished to make a few changes and introduced his proposal for the 2019 Wingsuit Flying Committee. This would be included with all the committees later in the Agenda for acceptance by the Plenary.

11 FORMATION SKYDIVING

11.1 REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE CHAIR

Mark Szulmayer (Delegate, Australia) Committee Chair, opened his presentation by saying his report was available on the cloud for all to read and he had covered the various points raised in it during the open meeting. The proposed changes are circulated with these Minutes - **Addendum 7**.

He proposed to move to the voting on the changes dealing with the first alone: - The clarification of the wording for which events junior competitors may enter.

Following some discussion this proposal was put to the vote with the following result:

Against 9 Abstentions 8 - therefore this proposed change was accepted by a majority

The remaining proposed changes were voted on together and **accepted without Objections or Abstentions and therefore approved unanimously**

Following a question from the floor, Mark confirmed that the proposed VFS pool changes would only come into effect on 1 May 2019, after the indoor competition in Lille in April 2019.

Regarding the introduction of a new large sequential formation record format, the question was raised as to whether the current format would be retired or retained. Mark confirmed that the committee proposed to retain the old record format not retire it.

Mark also confirmed the committee's consideration of the Swedish proposal, following discussion and the open meeting, not to change the existing draw. Sweden accepted the response.

All the changes will be incorporated into the Competition Rules 2019 to be published on the FAI/IPC Website 1st March 2019 and 1st May 2019 for Formation Skydiving. All changes will be indicated by lines in the margin.

11.2 15TH FAI EUROPEAN FORMATION SKYDIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS AND 22ND WORLD CUP IN FORMATION SKYDIVING 2021 VOSS NORWAY, 31 AUGUST - 5 SEPTEMBER

Gail Bradley (Finance Secretary) confirmed the payment of the Application Fee by the due date.

Following a question from the floor as to whether a vote could be delayed allowing more time for other countries to bid for 2021, this was refused on the basis that this bid met all our regulations with regard to bids. There being no further questions, Mark called for a vote to accept the bid as presented.

There were **no objections nor abstentions so the bid was accepted unanimously. Congratulations to Norway.**

Mark thanked his committee for their work during the year and at this Plenary; he did not propose any changes.

12 ARTISTIC EVENTS

12.1 REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE CHAIR

Kristian Moxnes, (Delegate, Norway), Deputy Chair of the committee had taken on this position following the failure to find a new Chair after the Plenary 2018. He proceeded quickly to the proposed changes to the Artistic Events competition rules and the proposed changes to the working time for both External and Internal Artistic Events. For Outdoor Artistic Events this was due to the faster fall rate of teams and it was proposed to reduce from 45 seconds to 42 seconds. For Indoor Artistic Events, to make it easier to perform to music, it was proposed to move from 75 seconds to 90 seconds.

The proposed rule changes had been circulated on the Cloud to all delegates prior to the start of the Plenary and following his presentation Kristian proposed that all the changes be voted on in one vote unless during his presentation individual votes were called for. The proposed changes are circulated with these Minutes - **Addendum 8**

With regard to the Junior categories and rules, the Artistic Events committee proposed to work with Formation Skydiving committee and the Indoor Skydiving Committee to agree on a common wording regarding Junior competitors.

There were **no objections nor abstentions so the changes to the Artistic Events competition Rules were accepted unanimously.**

All the changes will be incorporated into the Artistic Events Competition Rules 2019 to be published on the FAI/IPC Website effective from 1st March 2019 or 1st May 2019 for Indoor Skydiving. All changes will be indicated by lines in the margin.

12.2 12TH FAI EUROPEAN ARTISTIC EVENTS CHAMPIONSHIPS AND 14TH WORLD CUP IN ARTISTIC EVENTS 2021, VOSS NORWAY 31 AUG-5 SEPT.

Gail Bradley (Finance Secretary) confirmed the payment of the Application Fee by the due date.

The Bid from Norway formed part of their bid to host the 15th FAI European Championships and 23rd World Cup of Formation Skydiving in Voss, Norway 31 August - 5 September 2021 and had been voted on and accepted under the Formation Skydiving presentation.

12.3 4TH FAI WORLD INDOOR SKYDIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2021, TATRALAND, SLOVAKIA 6-11 APRIL 2021

Gail Bradley (Finance Secretary) confirmed the payment of the Application Fee by the due date.

Sarka Blaskova answered questions regarding the time allocated to teams for pre-training prior to the competition following complaints from various NACs at how this was conducted at previous FCE's. She responded by stating that the committee was looking at rule changes to cover this question making it fairer to all participants. **The bid was then put to the vote and was accepted** with no abstentions and two votes against from Canada and Lithuania (Proxy). **Congratulations to the Czech Republic.**

13 DYNAMIC WORKING GROUP

13.1 REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE CHAIR

Kristian Moxnes, (Delegate, Norway), Chair of the Working Group, then moved to his presentation of the working group members and thanked them for their work this year.

He explained that it was obvious that Dynamic 4 way was struggling as a discipline and proposed that the Free Routine Rounds be kept only as part of World Championships whereas all other competitions would run Speed Rounds only.

Finding and keeping suitable judges was still a problem for the discipline and he referred to the successful course held in Voss but was sorry the one in Bahrain was cancelled due to lack of support.

The proposed changes are circulated with these Minutes - **Addendum 9.**

There were **no objections nor abstentions so the changes to the Indoor Dynamic competition Rules were accepted unanimously.**

All the changes will be incorporated into the Competition Rules 2019 to be published on the FAI/IPC Website effective from 1st May 2019. All changes will be indicated by lines in the margin.

Kristian then proposed that the Dynamic Working Group be reformed as a Committee. This proposal was then put to the vote **no objections nor abstentions so the change from a Working Group to a Committee was accepted unanimously.**

14 INDOOR SKYDIVING

14.1 REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE CHAIR

Sarka Blaskova (Alternate Delegate Czech Republic), on behalf of the Deputy Chair Trude Sviggum who had to leave the Plenary early [having taken on this role following the resignation of Mohammed Al-Delayel as Delegate for Qatar], appealed to all delegates to contact the indoor flyers in their country and their NAC organisation to remind competitors that only the NAC can complete the registration for an FCE.

The committee was working with the organisers for the promotion of the up and coming FCE's in France and Belgium to find a way to appeal to a wider audience. They had decided to go to live-streaming only for the final rounds as these were the most exciting and it would save money. They also wished to look at live-judging for Formation Skydiving as they currently did for Dynamic. Following an issue encountered by the Belgian organiser for the 2020 FCE concerning domain names (someone in Poland had purchased all the relevant names), the Committee has been looking for a budget to purchase a domain name. Elisabet Mikaelsson pointed out that the Bureau had recently purchased the domain name '**worldskydiving.org**' which could be used for competitions and this is a matter being considered by the new Media & Promotion Working Group.

Sarka went on to comment that the Indoor Committee and Dynamic Working Group were already taking on board some of the ideas to come out of the Workshop.(Extended Bureau Meeting) held prior to the Plenary.

15 SPEED SKYDIVING

15.1 REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE CHAIR

Alyia Ananina announced that the decision of the committee to change to a different measuring device from barometric to GPS had meant a total revision of the rules and these proposed changes were circulated to the Plenary prior to the start of the Meeting and are amended to these minutes as **Addendum 10**.

One proposal for change, not connected to the measuring device change, was introduced to try and meet the Olympic requirement to increase the female participation by using positive discrimination.

(Blue indicates additional wording)

8.2 Composition of Delegations

Proposal:

9.1 Each delegation may be comprised of:

One Head of Delegation.

One Team Manager/Coach.

A maximum of 8 places for a World Parachuting Championship - 7 places for male or female competitors and 1 place exclusively for a female competitor.

A maximum of 12 places for a World Cup or a Continental Championship - 10 places for male or female competitors and 2 places exclusively for female competitors.

Judges and trainee judges as decided by the IPC.

Accompanying persons at the discretion of the event organiser

John Smyth (Delegate, Great Britain) asked for clarification on the proposal above. He wanted to understand if there were no female competitors whether they could still send a total of 12 competitors or whether it was restricted to 10 only since the 2 females were not included. It was confirmed that was the intent; 10 athletes of either gender plus two additional females.

All the rule changes were voted on **as presented with no abstentions or objections - unanimous approval.**

All the changes will be incorporated into the Speed Skydiving Competition Rules 2019 to be published on the FAI/IPC Website effective from 1st March 2019. All changes will be indicated by lines in the margin.

15.2 3RD FAI EUROPEAN SPEED SKYDIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2019 AND 4TH FAI WORLD CUP OF SPEED SKYDIVING 2019, DUNKESWELL, U.K.. 12-16 AUGUST 2019.

This bid was a late bid but was not in conflict with any other bid and so was to be considered. The bid document had been circulated to the Delegates on the Cloud prior to the start of the Plenary. Attached to these Minutes as **Addendum 11**. Gail Bradley, Financial Secretary, confirmed receipt of the application fee.

Mickey Lovemore (GBR Official Observer) on behalf of the organiser was present to answer any questions. In reply to a question regarding the need for Temporary BPA Membership of £17.98 Mickey stated this would be included as part of the registration fee. He also confirmed that their bid had not stated a figure for the Sanction Fee only that this was in addition to the Registration Fee, and would therefore be of 110 €.

The Committee proposed Arnold Hohenegger as FAI Controller.

The bid was then put to the vote and was accepted unanimously without abstention or objection. Congratulations to Great Britain.

16 PARA-SKI

16.1 REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE CHAIR

Before Michael Egger, Committee Chair took the floor. Gillian Rayner, President of IPC publically apologised to Michael for her misunderstanding of the work undertaken by the committee to conform completely to the qualification requirements for Second Category Events. She wished to thank Michael and his committee for their work on this with their Para-Ski World Cup Series Organisers and asked other committee chairs contemplating such events themselves to look at the work Para-Ski had done.

Michael Egger (Alternative Delegate, Austria), Committee Chair reported on the final preparations for the forthcoming 17th FAI World Para-Ski Championships in Vrchlabi, Czech Republic at the end of February 2019. The snow conditions at the moment were perfect. He also reported on the success of the new Ranking Listing which included 2nd category events resulting in competitors putting pressure onto those competition organisers that did not meet the criteria to conform and be included. He further announced that there were no changes to the rules or the committee whom he thanked for their work. There were no questions from the floor.

17 FREEFALL STYLE & ACCURACY LANDING

17.1 REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE CHAIR

Günter Berendt, (Alternate Delegate Germany), Committee Chair introduced the proposed changes to the competition rules, as detailed in **Addendum 12** with these minutes.

The first change reflects a harmonisation of wording with other parachuting disciplines in that it is the competitor who is responsible to clearly present his/her performance to the judges.

He then presented the committee's proposal to finally answer the point raised on more than one occasion by the CZE Delegate relating to what is meant by a visible signal in paragraph 6.1.1.

By the use of photographs taken at second category events where this signalling method had been used, he explained very fully the way in which the judges at the target would indicate their decision on the validity of the score. He further went on to show and explain the new software update to the scoring system which recorded time and distance for each foot so that if one foot was on the 16 cm pad and the other off, even if split seconds apart, both were shown. This gives an unquestionable record to support the judges at target. In addition the committee proposed to use a hand held tablet to visually record each landing. Both the new software and the tablet would be tested as a non-official scoring method during the upcoming 17th FAI World Cup in Freefall Style and Accuracy Landing in Cordoba, Argentina this year. The results would be presented to the 2020 Plenary.

Gillian Rayner then called for a vote to accept or not the committee's proposals. Sarka Blaskova, Deputy Delegate CZE, requested a secret ballot.

Marylou Laughlin (USA Observer) and Ray Williams (Australia Observer) were appointed as scrutineers. Delegates were asked to vote YES to accept the proposed rule change and NO to reject it.

Markus confirmed the roll call of 36 delegates + 13 proxies = 49 of which a simple majority was 25. The motion was carried by 26 votes.

A vote was then called for the rule change to 3.2.1. which was **accepted unanimously without abstentions or objections**

The Czech Delegate, Jiri Blaska was asked if the points he raised in Agenda Annexes 17.3a and 17.3b had been addressed to his satisfaction during both the open meeting and the Plenary Meeting. He accepted that the matters were being addressed but he reserved the right to raise them again next year. He highlighted that the content of Annex 17.3b had not been intended as a proposal just a matter for consideration by the committee.

All the changes will be incorporated into the Competition Rules 2019 to be published on the FAI/IPC Website 1st March 2019. All changes will be indicated by lines in the margin.

17.2 10TH FAI EUROPEAN FREEFALL STYLE AND ACCURACY LANDING CHAMPIONSHIPS AND THE 7TH FAI JUNIOR EUROPEAN FREEFALL STYLE AND ACCURACY LANDING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2019, STRAKONICE, CZECH REPUBLIC. 20-31 JULY 2019.

Due to an administrative error on behalf of both the Czech NAC and the FAI office the bid application had been received before the October deadline but IPC Bureau had been unaware of it until immediately prior to the Plenary. The bid documents were included in the papers circulated to the Delegates via the Cloud at the Plenary, and attached to these Minutes as **Addendum 13**.

Gail Bradley, Finance Secretary, confirmed the receipt of the application fee by the due date.

As there were several questions relating to the bid, the matter was deferred for discussion to Sunday giving time for the Czech Delegation to speak with the organiser.

Günter Berendt thanked his committee for their work and confirmed there would be no changes to the committee 2019.

18 CANOPY FORMATION

18.1 REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE CHAIR

Rina Gallo, (Delegate Canada) Committee Chair introduced the proposed changes to the competition rules mainly to bring them in line with Formation Skydiving. In the paper produced for circulation prior to the Plenary, the committee had detailed the proposed changes and the rationale for them. The changes are attached to these minutes as **Addendum 14**.

When put to the vote all changes to the Canopy Formation Competition Rules as proposed by the committee were accepted unanimously without abstention or objection.

All the changes will be incorporated into the Canopy Formation Competition Rules 2019 to be published on the FAI/IPC Website Effective from 1st March 2019. All changes will be indicated by lines in the margin.

Rina concluded her report by thanking her committee for their work and proposing the same committee membership for 2019.

19 CANOPY PILOTING

19.1 REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE CHAIR

Alberto Martin Paracuellos (Delegate Spain) Chair of the Committee commenced by reiterating his thanks to Poland for an excellent 7th FAI World Canopy Piloting Championships in and the 1st FAI World Canopy Piloting Freestyle Championships, 85 competitors from 27 NAC's in the Canopy Piloting event and 56 competitors from 20 NAC's in the Freestyle event. He also again thanked the organiser for the amazing amount of publicity and promotion he had achieved.

He also thanked George Blyth and his team for their continued success with the Swoop Freestyle World Championships Series, which added San Diego to Copenhagen in 2018 and was such a success San Diego have asked them to return for 2019. They are also in negotiations for a third venue for this year.

Alberto confirmed that South Africa had modified their bid for the 10th FAI World Canopy Piloting Championships, November 2019 to include three rounds of Freestyle. The proposed changes had been circulated to the delegates prior to the start of the Plenary and Alberto called for a vote to accept these revisions. Revised Bid attached to these Minutes, **Addendum 15**

The vote was put to the plenary and **the revised bid was accepted without abstention or objection**, Alberto thanked Mike Teague (Delegate South Africa) and the organisers for making this change possible.

Alberto then spoke about the proposed rule changes which had been circulated to the Plenary prior to the meeting, and were now attached to these Minutes, **Addendum 15**. It was now proposed to have video cameras on all water gates during the Accuracy and Speed events, and a spare course marker for the speed event, and various changes/clarification to the Freestyle rules. When voted on all the **proposed changes were approved unanimously without abstentions or objection. Addendum 16**

Alberto asked Gail Bradley (AUS Delegate) if she wished to vote on Australia's proposal now, but Gail declined leaving it to the Judges Committee's presentation.

All the changes will be incorporated into the Canopy Piloting Competition Rules 2019 to be published on the FAI/IPC Website effective from 1st March 2019. All changes will be indicated by lines in the margin.

He continued his presentation by explaining that the ranking following Tanay would be used for the selection of competitors for the World Games in Birmingham USA 2021. With the emphasis on including a prescribed number of female competitors, without reference to the ranking, he asked delegates to consider how they could encourage more female participation in the discipline.

He concluded by asking delegates to consider a 2-Way Canopy Piloting completion for discussion and consideration during the coming year and looking forward to meeting up in South Africa.

Alberto concluded his presentation by thanking his committee for their work during the previous year and announcing the changes he wished to make. In introducing new members to the committee he proposed to regain those he was replacing as Advisors. When he presented this to the Plenary he was advised that any chair is free to take anyone he chooses as an advisor, but these are not listed as Committee Members.

That concluded the business of the day for Saturday, 26th January 2018.

SUNDAY, 27TH JANUARY 2019. 9.00 HR

A Roll Call was conducted by Markus Haggenev, FAI, showing there were 32 Delegates present, with 12 proxies giving a total of 44 votes. A two-thirds majority would require 29 votes and a simple majority 23 votes.

Gillian then called Sarka Blaskova, (Czech Republic Alternate Delegate) to clarify points from the presentation she made on Saturday regarding the bid from the Czech Republic for the Freefall Style and Accuracy European Championships 2019. She confirmed these would include a World Cup as well. The dates were now 24 - 31 July (Departure day 1st August) The entry fees did not include the IPC Sanction Fee nor accommodation but did include all competition jumps, lunch and dinner and transportation to and from the recommended accommodation in Strakonice and the gala dinner. There were no further questions and so a vote was called for to accept or not the bid for a European Championships and World Cup 2019.

2 Abstentions, 4 Against - so the Bid was Accepted by a majority vote. Congratulations to the Czech Republic.

20 TECHNICAL AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

20.1 REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE CHAIR

Gustavo Eduardo Reyes (Delegate, Argentina) commenced by thanking his committee for their work during the year and also for all the 36 NAC representatives who completed the Safety Survey Report for 2017 but was disappointed with the number from a potential maximum return of 85. He urged delegates to put pressure on whoever would be responsible within their organisation for the collation of this data and information. This is of benefit to everyone and can be used by organisers, dropzones, and all responsible persons having to deal with technical and safety matters and when dealing with authorities.

Of the 51 fatalities shown in the survey, 35 were 'experts' (i.e. persons with over 251 freefall jumps) and again the largest number were landing errors with serviceable parachutes. Also of concern was the increased number of Tandem fatalities.

He ended his report with an APPEAL to those countries who did not report for 2017 are requested to do so for 2018. The compilation of data is to the benefit of the country gathering same, and to the worldwide skydiving community.

The 2017 Annual Safety Report, the Power Point Presentation and 2018 Parachuting Aircraft Incidents, along with the 2018 Survey Form and Notes are attached to these minutes Addendums 17, 18, 19 and 20

21 JUDGES COMMITTEE

21.1 REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE CHAIR

Bernard Nicolas (Alternate Delegate, France), commenced his report by introducing the new members of the Judges committee, Zeljko Tanaskovic (SWE) who takes the position of Deputy Chair and Bert Ham (NED) following the resignations of Doris Merz-Hunziker and Susan Dixon. He thanked both for their support given to him as he took on the new role as Chair. He also thanked the remaining members for their work during the year, including Karla Cole as Judge Training Co-ordinator and Tamara Koyn, Judge Video Librarian. He further drew attention to the Delegates to check the FAI Judges List on display at the rear of the Plenary room and asked that each delegate checked that all was correct for their Judges and to inform Rina Gallo of any errors or discrepancies. **Addendum 21**

Bernard then presented the proposed rule changes as outlined in **Addendum 22** attached to these minutes and that were circulated prior to the Plenary to all Delegates.

When Bernard called for a vote to accept the rule changes a separate and secret vote was asked for by John Smyth (GBR) and seconded by Alberto Martin Paracuellos (ESP) for

the proposed changes to Section 5 paragraphs 5.4.6.1(2) and 7.1.3.1.

The remaining rule changes were voted on with No Abstentions, **No Objections and so were accepted unanimously.**

There followed discussion from the floor regarding the proposed change to 5.4.6.1(2) and the CP committee chair, Alberto Martin Paracuellos stated that the committee was against increasing the number of judges as the current mix of IPC judges and organiser support was sufficient especially when being mindful of the burden judges were on the IPC finances. Marylou Laughlin (USA OBSERVER) supported the judges proposal indicating that it is up to a Chief Judge to select judges but had no control over the people proposed by the organiser, or even prior knowledge of their ability. This could present problems to the detriment of competitors. Mike Teague, forthcoming organiser of the next CP FCE this year, stated that he would find it hard to justify to his competitors and his NACs the agreed sanction fee increase and an increased in the number of judges. Gail Bradley (AUS Delegate), although aware of the financial argument, supported the Judges Committee proposal on behalf of Australian competitors.

The delegates were asked to vote **Yes** to adopt the judges proposal and move to 9 or **NO** to reject it and stay with the current rule of 7 and also to reject the proposed change to 7.1.3.1. The result of the secret ballot was:

Void 1 ; No 27 : Yes 20

The proposals were rejected.

Bernard then moved on to ask the Plenary to agree to an exception to the rules regarding the appointment of Event Judges for the 1st FA European Wingsuit Flying Championships and 3rd FAI World Cup of Wingsuit Flying in Ravenna, Italy 23-30 August 2019. Because of the way the position of

Event Judge(s) has been filled/not filled there is no-one who has been at two events to qualify for the post of CJ within the rules. The Judges Committee requests the exception to the rule for 2019 only.

Voted on by the Plenary with **No Objections, No Abstentions, the motion was carried unanimously.**

Bernard then presented the Judges Committee list of recommended Chief Judges for the 2019

<u>Compétition</u>	<u>Discipline</u>	<u>CJ Name</u>
14th FAI World Cup of Freefall Style and Accuracy Landing, Cordoba, Argentine	Freefall Style and Accuracy Landing	Michel JARA
3rd FAI World Indoor Skydiving Championships, Lille, France	Formation Skydiving Artistic Events	Pekka SALMELA Jami PILLASCH
8th FAI European Canopy Formation Championships and 10th FAI World Cup of Canopy Formation, Sirejnic, Romania	Canopy Formation	Gillian RAYNER
22nd FAI World Cup of Formation Skydiving and 13th FAI World Cup of Artistic Events, Eloy, Arizona, USA	Formation Skydiving Artistic Events	Thierry Courtin Sylvia Wagner
1st FAI European Wingsuit Flying Championships and 3rd FAI World Cup of Wingsuit Flying, Ravenna, Italy	Wingsuit Flying	Bert Ham
3rd FAI European Speed Skydiving Championships and 4th FAI Parachuting World Cup of Speed Skydiving, Dunkeswell, Great Britain	Speed Skydiving	Bert Ham
10th FAI World Cup of Canopy Piloting and 1st FAI World Cup of Canopy Piloting Freestyle, Petoria, South Africa	Canopy Piloting	Dr. 'EXI' Rainer Hoenle

On the initial presentation of the list, there was a question between the Judges Committee and the Discipline Committee over the nominated Chief Judge for the 10th FAI World Cup of Canopy Piloting in South Africa. Consequently, the vote was deferred until later so that a nomination may be agreed upon and presented to the Plenary. Finally, when called on to vote for the list as presented in these minutes, the Plenary gave **unanimous approval without objection or abstention.**

All the changes will be incorporated into the Sporting Code Section 5 2019 edition to be published on the FAI/IPC Website and effective from 1st March 2019. All changes will be indicated by lines in the margin.

22 RULES AND REGULATIONS COMMITTEE

22.1 REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE CHAIR

Ronald Overdijk (Delegate, Netherlands) commenced his report by referring to an item that had not been voted on at the previous Plenary and had been represented this year by the President, Gillian Rayner in Annex 22.1.2, and by himself as Netherlands Delegate in Annex 22.1. The final proposal was to change the name from International Parachuting Commission to International Skydiving Commission. This proposal was put to the vote and the committee highlighted the different places in FAI rules and regulations that would need to be updated to accommodate this change. These include the FAI statutes and the Sporting Code General Section and both the Executive Board and CASI will be informed accordingly.

All the proposed changes were contained in a document circulated prior to the Plenary and are in **Addendum 23** attached to these Minutes.

A separate vote was called for the Name Change. There were no objections, two abstentions and consequently the **name change was approved**.

John Smyth (GBR) said how pleased his NAC was at this change, having recently changed their own name to British Skydiving Association from British Parachute Association and that they were in the process of running a competition for a new logo.

Ronald then moved on to the changes proposed to Sporting Code Section 5, The Internal Regulations and the FCED. Prior to the vote, Randy Connell (Official Observer USA) then asked that the post of Records Officer be left unfilled for the time being, rather removed from the rules, his request was not seconded. The rule changes were adopted unanimously

The Austrian proposal (Agenda Annex 22.1.1) was withdrawn and the Swedish proposal (Agenda Annex 22.1.4) will be deferred allowing for more research using an in depth questionnaire to all the people who had held Jury positions 2018.

Finally, Ronald referred to Annex 4 of the FAI Controllers Handbook and the change required following the increase of the sanction fee from 90€ to 110€. The proposed update was approved unanimously.

In conclusion Ronald thanked his committee for all their work which, as usual, started towards the end of the year and built up to the Plenary, he proposed to continue to work with the same committee.

All the changes will be incorporated into the Sporting Code Section 5 2019 edition and the Internal Regulations, FCDE and other IPC Handbooks to be published on the FAI/IPC Website 1st March 2019. All changes will be indicated by lines in the margin

23 AWARDS

23.1 LEONARDO DA VINCI DIPLOMA

Following the morning coffee break, whilst Elisabet Mikaelsson, 1st Vice President prepared to present the Jury List 2019, Gillian Rayner, President, explained that there was a proposal to award the Leonardo da Vinci Diploma from the Swiss NAC. The nomination had been sent directly to the FAI but unfortunately not to the IPC to be included in the Agenda. However, as the nomination met all the other criteria for it to be considered at this Plenary it was proposed to accept it as an agenda item. The supporting documentation had been made available to Delegates on the Cloud prior to the start of the meeting, and is attached to these Minutes as **Addendum 24**. Doris Merz-Hunziker, (Delegate Switzerland) read out the nomination to make this award to Christian Frei and his outstanding achievements.

The 2/3 majority vote to add this nomination was successful and then a **unanimous decision was made to award the Leonardo da Vinci Diploma to Christian Frei (SUI)**.

23.2 FAI GOLD AIR MEDAL

Gillian Rayner, IPC President then talked about the FAI Gold Air Medal and a proposal she had received from Stéphane Malbos, President of CIVL. The proposal was for three Commissions, IPC, CIVL and CIMA to nominate Domina Jalbert for the FAI Gold Medal. Domina Jalbert was the inventor of the Ram Air Parachute and therefore the father of the parachutes we all use today for our respective disciplines. There was unanimous support from the Plenary to combine in making this award and Gillian thanked everyone and will communicate this result back to Stéphane Malbos.

24 LIST OF APPROVED AND QUALIFIED JURORS

24.1 REPORT OF THE 1ST VICE PRESIDENT - JURORS

Elisabet Mikaelsoon, 1st Vice President presented the 2019 Jury Listing. There were 5 names removed from the list following failure to attend the previous 3 Plenary meetings; Pia Beggren, Johannes Gritsch, Niels Christian Levin-Hansen, Lindy Rochow-Williams and Graeme Windsor; there were five new names to be added to the list, the candidates having met the criteria by providing a CV and having the support of their NAC.:

The people added were Ulf Tingnert, Julia Sotnikova, Mike Pennock, Meylin Sanchez and Pasi Pirttikoski.

The list was submitted for a vote and approved unanimously.

The list is appended to these minutes as Addendum 25

24.2 REPORT OF THE 1ST VICE PRESIDENT - JURIES 2019, FAI CONTROLLERS 2019, 2020, 2021

Elisabet then presented the proposed Juries for 2019 and the FAI Controllers for 2019, 2020 and 2021

The list was then presented and voted to be accepted, unanimously

The lists are appended to these minutes Addendum 26 and 27

2019

17th FAI WORLD PARASKI CHAMPIONSHIPS 26 Feb-3 March 2019 - Vrchlabi, Czech Republic <i>JURY</i> Gernot Rittenschober	<i>FAI CONTROLLER</i> Gernot RITTENSCHÖBER
3rd FAI WORLD INDOOR SKYDIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS 16-20 April 2019 - Lille, France <i>JURY</i> Sarka Blaskova Peter Pfalzgraf Mike Pennock	<i>FAI CONTROLLER</i> Elisabet MIKAELSSON
14th FAI WORLD CUP OF FREEFALL STYLE & ACCURACY LANDING 17-26 May 2019 - Cordoba, Argentina <i>JURY</i> Rainer "Exi" Hoenle Lidia Kosk Doris Merz	<i>FAI CONTROLLER</i> Günter BERENDT

<p>4th FAI WORLD CUP OF SPEED SKYDIVING &</p> <p>3rd FAI EUROPEAN SPEED SKYDIVING CHAMPIONSHIP 12-17 August 2019 - Dunkeswell, UK</p> <p><i>JURY</i></p> <p>Elisabet Mikaelson Susan Dixon Aliya Ananina</p>	<p><i>FAI CONTROLLER</i> Arnold HOHENEGGER</p>
<p>10th FAI WORLD CUP OF CANOPY FORMATION &</p> <p>8th FAI EUROPEAN CANOPY FORMATION CHAMPIONSHIPS 16-21 August 2019 - Strejnic, Romania</p> <p><i>JURY</i></p> <p>Ronald Overdijk Rina Gallo Günter Berendt</p>	<p><i>FAI CONTROLLER</i> Bernard NICOLAS</p>
<p>3rd FAI WORLD CUP OF WINGSUIT FLYING &</p> <p>1st FAI EUROPEAN WINGSUIT FLYING CHAMPIONSHIPS 7-15 September 2019 - Ravenna, Italy</p> <p><i>JURY</i></p> <p>Liam McNulty Gail Bradley Larry Hill</p>	<p><i>FAI CONTROLLER</i> Marylou LAUGHLIN</p>
<p>22nd FAI WORLD CUP OF FORMATION SKYDIVING</p> <p>13th FAI WORLD CUP OF ARTISTIC EVENTS 6-13 October 2019 - Eloy, Arizona, USA</p> <p><i>JURY</i></p> <p>Patrice Girardin Mark Szulmayer Mike Teauge</p>	<p><i>FAI CONTROLLER</i> Rina GALLO</p>
<p>10th FAI WORLD CUP OF CANOPY PILOTING 19-25 November 2019 - Pretoria, South Africa</p> <p><i>JURY</i></p> <p>Gill Rayner Marylou Laughlin Alberto Martin Paracuellos</p>	<p><i>FAI CONTROLLER</i> Jasper WILLIAMS</p>

There being no change to the FAI Controllers nominated for 2020 at the 68th IPC Plenary the list was not displayed again.

2021

18th FAI World Para-Ski Championships <i>Jury</i> <i>FAI Controller</i>
4th FAI World Indoor Skydiving Championships Tatraland, Slovakia 6-11 April 2021 <i>Jury</i> <i>FAI Controller</i> Trude SVIGGUM
15th FAI European Formation Skydiving Championships & 23rd World Cup in Formation Skydiving Voss, Norway 31 August - 5 September <i>Jury</i> <i>FAI Controller</i> Ronald OVERDIJK
10th FAI European Freefall Style & Accuracy Landing Championships 15th FAI World Cup of Freefall Style & Accuracy Landing Strakonice, Czech Republic, 21-31 July <i>Jury</i> <i>FAI Controller</i> John Smyth

25 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other Business to be discussed.

26 ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

26.1 CONFIRMATION OF COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS

The new Committees and Working Groups were displayed and the Plenary was asked to vote to approve the composition of each.

The listing, as presented was **accepted unanimously without objection or abstention**.

The list is appended to these minutes Addendum 28

26.2 NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF THE IPC WORLD GAMES LIAISON OFFICER AND THE IPC WORLD AIR GAMES LIAISON OFFICER

The Bureau proposed that the position of IPC World Games Liaison Officer, currently held by Dr. 'EXI' Rainer Hoenle (GER), continues until the completion of the Games. It is also proposed that the same principle be applied to the post of World Air Games Liaison Officer.

This proposal was accepted without objection or abstention - passed unanimously

The only candidate for the position of World Games Liaison Officer is Patrice Girardin (FRA) and in line with the previous decision, it was proposed that he retain the position until the completion of the World Air Games 2022.

This proposal was accepted without objection or abstention - passed unanimously

Ronald Overdijk, Chair Rules and Regulations Committee is asked to amend the Internal Regulations to reflect this change. i.e. providing the officer wishes to continue in the role the appointment as Liaison Officer to the World Games and the World Air Games the appointment be for the duration of the term of the event from inception to completion.

26.3 CONFIRMATION OF THE IPC WEBMASTER AND MEDIA LIAISON OFFICER

Given the resignation of Susan Dixon (Approved Observer, France) and the resurrection of the Media and Promotion Working Group, Susan was asked if she was prepared to continue in her role of IPC Webmaster and Media Liaison Officer for up to six months, allowing time for the Working Group to establish a working framework. Susan accepted and this solution was voted on by the **Plenary and accepted unanimously**.

26.4 CONFIRMATION OF THE IPC RECORDS OFFICER

Following the decision made earlier this position no longer exists.

26.5 ELECTION OF BUREAU OFFICER - VICE-PRESIDENT

Markus Haggoney, FAI Sports and Events Director announced that the Agenda item 26 Elections and Appointments included "26.5 Bureau Position" should be removed from the Agenda as it did not comply with IPC Internal Regulations. He explained that an error was made at the 2018 Plenary meeting which slipped his as well of other attendees attention at that moment. Agnieszka Sobczynska should not have accepted the nomination for Vice President as she was neither a Delegate nor Alternate Delegate, but this was missed at the time. Ronald Overdijk, Chair of the Rules and Regulations Committee confirmed this interpretation. She never did take office. The Internal Regulations call for an election mid-term due to the resignation, removal or death of an existing officer. As the position, in fact, had never been filled, there is no position to fill. Gillian thanked Markus for his explanation and stated that the Bureau would obviously adhere to the rules. She wanted the Plenary to know that the Bureau was happy to continue to work as currently but would not have had a problem to add an additional Bureau member. A comment from the floor asked whether it was necessary to have a second Vice-President as the current composition of the bureau seemed to function correctly. This point can be considered by the Rules and Regulations Committee for the future.

27 FUTURE IPC PLENARY MEETINGS

27.1 70TH IPC PLENARY MEETING - 2020

According to FAI By-Law 3.4.3. a Commission may meet in another location than the vicinity of the Head Office if voted by an Absolute Majority. Consequently the Plenary was asked if it would accept to hold the 2020 Plenary outside of Lausanne and this was approved **unanimously without objection or abstention**.

A late bid had been received prior to the start of the Plenary from Russia which had been circulated amongst the documents on the Cloud to all Delegates and is attached to these Minutes **Addendum 29**.

The Proposal is to host the 2020 Plenary Meeting in Moscow, Russia at the Azimut Hotel in the centre of Moscow, 21 - 26 January. Gail Bradley (Finance Secretary) confirmed payment of the application fee. Following questions from delegates regarding Visas, Denis Sviridov, on behalf of the organiser, promised that they would work at making all Visa applications as easy as possible. Gillian Rayner,

President, asked them to take into consideration the requirement of an additional day for the Extended Bureau Meeting.

It was then put to the vote to accept the Russian bid to host the 70th IPC Plenary Meeting 2020 in Moscow - there were **no objections or abstentions, the bid was accepted unanimously**

27.2 71ST IPC PLENARY MEETING - 2021

There was a late bid from Turkey which had been circulated to all Delegates prior to the start of the Plenary and is attached to these Minutes in **Addendum 30** In accordance with the FAI By-Laws, a vote was taken to agree to meet in another place than Lausanne. This **was passed unanimously**.

Gail Bradley, Finance Secretary confirmed receipt of the application fee.

The Turkey proposal was to host the 71st IPC Plenary Meeting, 2021 in the Hotel Richmond in the town of Selçuk from 26 - 31 January 2021. The Hotel is situated in the town closed to Ephesus, the proposed site of the Parachuting event of the World Air Games 2022 and which was also the site of the WAG 1997. It will give an opportunity for all IPC delegates to see the site and better prepare for the WAG. Other Commissions were also holding their Plenary meetings in Turkey. The financial conditions had been established for a Plenary meeting in 2020 but could not be guaranteed for 2021 due to the high inflation rate in Turkey. The Bureau and the FAI were confident that they would not be a lot more than the initial proposal and would be presented at the 2020 Plenary only. In spite of this factor, Gillian asked that approval be given to go to Turkey, the vote was taken and a large **majority voted to go to Turkey in 2021 with one abstention (Switzerland)**.

28 THANKS TO THE HOST AND ADJOURNMENT OF THE 69TH IPC PLENARY MEETING

On behalf of the Delegates, Alternate Delegates, Observers, FAI officers and the IPC Bureau, President Gillian Rayner thanked the French Parachute Federation, particularly the French Delegate, Patrice Girardin, and the support staff present in Lille for their attention to detail and the hospitality extended to us all over the whole of the week. It had been an outstanding meeting.

The 69th IPC Plenary Meeting ended with standing ovation to the hosts, and organisers.

The 69th IPC Plenary Meeting concluded at 14.00 hrs Sunday 27h January 2019

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