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Minutes

of the Annual Meeting of the **FAI Astronautic Records Commission**

held in Lausanne, Switzerland
on 6 May 2011

**FEDERATION AERONAUTIQUE INTERNATIONALE
FAI ASTRONAUTIC RECORDS COMMISSION (ICARE)**

**MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD AT THE FAI HEADQUARTERS
54 AVENUE DE RHODANIE, 1007 LAUSANNE, SWITZERLAND
ON FRIDAY 6 MAY 2011, STARTING AT 09h15**

MINUTES

Present: (annex 2)

Mr. Segismundo SANZ FERNANDEZ de CORDOBA	President
Mr. Gregory T. OLIVER	USA, Vice-President
Mr. Henrik ÅKERSTEDT	Sweden
Mr. Vladimir IVANOV	Russia
Mr. Dr. Ulf MERBOLD	Germany
Mr. John F MILES	United Kingdom
Mr. Christian MARCHAL	Technical Expert, France

In attendance:

Mr. Marcel MEYER	FAI Records Officer
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Apologies: (annex 3)

Mr. Antonio CASTELLANI	Italy
Mr. Sergey KRIKALEV	Russia

1. WELCOME BY THE PRESIDENT

M. Segismundo SANZ FERNANDEZ de CORDOBA welcomed those attending in the new FAI premises and in particular Mr. Vladimir Ivanov, representing Russia, attending for the first time.

2. ROLL-CALL

as per list of persons present.

3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS

No conflicts of interest were revealed.

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting (16 April 2010) were approved without correction. (Annex 4)

5. FAI GENERAL CONFERENCE, MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

a) The President of ICARE has not attended the 104th FAI General Conference held from 5 to 10 October 2010 in Dublin, Ireland. Mr. Marcel Meyer gives a short résumé of the General Conference deliberations and decisions. This conference elected a new FAI President and new members to the FAI Executive Board. The Minutes of the conference can be found at: <http://www.fai.org/fai-documents>

b) Mr John Miles had attended the meeting of the CIEA as an Observer.

Main subjects were the preparation of “50 years of manned spaceflight” as the theme of the FAI young artist contest and “Why fly”. He was re-appointed as representative to this commission.

His report generated a discussion on the general public aspect of our communication and the balance between precision and simplification in our work and in the sporting code.

c) Mr. Marcel Meyer reported on the current situation of the World Air Games process. The financial and economic crisis made it much more difficult to organize such events.

6. ASTRONAUTIC ACTIVITIES AND PROJECTS

a) Reports by the delegates

The UK delegate presented mainly the Starchaser private project.

The US delegate presented details of the planning for ending the shuttle program in 2011 and the new goals of NASA as well as the year 2010. (annex 5)

The German delegate communicated that ESA had decided not to progress on man-rating the ATV and thus the Russian program remains the only man-rated link to ISS.

The president of the Russian NAC reported on the ongoing activities in Russia.

The Swedish representative mentioned research on fuel and private projects of formation flight of two satellites and small man-rated suborbital flights from the Baltic.

The president summarized the Spanish situation as “out of money”.

The technical expert presented in the name of France some work on Earth gravitation measuring for earthquake prediction and liquid water on meteorites. (annex 6)

b) activities for the 50th anniversary of Yuri Gagarin's flight.

Many events and press activity were planned throughout the year in Russia. No other coordinated plans were mentioned.

7. SPORTING CODE

No changes to the section 8 of the sporting code were discussed or adopted.

8. NEW ASTRONAUTICAL RECORDS

Only one record (16007) has been claimed and granted in 2010.

9. PROPOSALS FOR FAI AWARDS

1) The assembly agreed to apply the modifications decided last year even if for administrative reasons they have not yet been integrated in the FAI Bylaws.

2) Three proposals for awards have been made by USA NAC:

Expedition 24 was nominated for the FAI Gagarin Gold Medal (annex 7)

Missions STS-130/ISS-20A were proposed for the Komarov Diploma (annex 8)

Expedition 24 is proposed for the FAI Korolev Diploma. (annex 9)

All three proposals were accepted the Korolev diploma was approved by 3 votes in favour vs. 2 against.

No other nominations being received and one expedition being proposed for two awards led to a discussion on the means in future to recognise achievements of more scientific than astronautical character.

10. INTERNATIONAL ASTRONAUTIC FEDERATION

For financial reasons ICARE will not be represented at the next IAF congress in Capetown.

11. PRESENT WORLD RECORDS

No particular information on this item.

12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

A discussion on the awards policy and the possibility to get more nominations from other agencies (ESA, RAS) through other NACs took place.

The wish for a more active and interesting homepage for ICARE was expressed. (annex 10).

13. ELECTIONS

The following were re-elected for 2011/2012:

President :	Dr Sanz Fernandez de Cordoba	(4 votes of 5 valid)
Vice President :	Mr Greg Oliver (USA)	(4 votes of 5 valid)

14. DATE AND PLACE OF NEXT ICARE MEETING

In order to combine Mr. John Miles' attendance to the CIEA meeting the next meeting will be held on 27th April 2012 in Lausanne.

The Meeting was closed at 17:00 hours

Minutes approved by ICARE President, Mr. Segismundo Sanz Fernandez De Cordoba on 5 April 2012