



Minutes of the CIG "Zoom" Plenary Meeting
held on 2nd October 2020.



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Observers

Germany Wolfgang Lintl CIMA President

Osinga-Meek Marja CIMP President.

2. Apologies

France Laurent Michallat

3. Roll call

There were no proxy votes.

4. In Memoriam

None.

5. Conflicts of interest

No Conflicts of Interest were declared.

6. Report of the FAI Secretary General

A report was presented on the new financial methods of budgeting and accounting practices adopted by the Secretariat and a time line of implementation.

The Auditors report will be available soon.

The 2020 General Conference will take the format of an electronic conference and a timeline was presented for that and the Commissions Presidents group meeting.

The Agenda will be published in November and a test event for attendees will be on the 13th November to prove the technology used and a handbook will also be published. This year is an election year. There are 16 candidates nominated for election to the Executive Board, on the 17th of November there will be an opportunity to meet the candidates over Zoom.

The electronic General Conference will take place over 4 days and will be timed to accommodate the delegates in different countries.

The UK delegates were credited for their input in the 2019 budget last year and this has lead to cost savings. Following on from that, the 2020 budget will consider a review of staff levels.

Currently, the Secretariat is operating at 50% of normal levels and the Swiss government is providing financial chromage support.

7. Approval of Minutes of 2019 Plenary Meeting

There was no proposer or seconder despite requests and 2019 minutes remain unapproved.

8. Presidents Report

The President report attached Annex 1.

9. Financial Report

Hans-Pete Schöffler advised the balance in the bank was currently 15,000 CHF.

David Monks presented a budget for approval. He advised the Commission that it was operating at a deficit annually. Normally, this would be addressed by the income from a World Helicopter Championships, the next one would ordinarily have been in 2021. This is not the case and, therefore, the Commission was asked to consider an increase in sanction fees for the Helicopter Races Category 2 event. It was agreed to increase the sanction to 400 CHF.

Budget attached Annex 2.

10. Country reports/updates

Helicopter World Cup 2020 and Competition Calendar updates were as follows:

Russia

Held an open competition with 9 crews.

Irina Grushina asked the group if we could organise 3 races next year.

The general feeling was no plans could be made with Covid 19 being present.

Germany

Will be holding a German Open at the end of July 2021.

Belarus

There will be a competition during the 1st week in August.

Austria

The delegate advised members of the Austrian team will attend events organised by others next year but have no plans to organise an event at home.

Italy

Italy is a returning country to CIG after a period of a break and advised currently there were no plans to organise a competition next year and this was all very new to the delegate. He did say however he intends to become active in the future.

China

There are no plans to host a competition.

CZ

The delegate advised Covid was preventing organising any competitions this year. It has been made more difficult for next year because the Aero Club has new a President and is not sure what financial support it may get to host a World Championship test event in 2021. He will keep trying because he wants to host a test event in 2021 and a World Helicopter Championships in 2022.

UK

UK has no plans to hold any FAI sanctioned events during 2021.

Ukraine

Had a competition this year with 6 competitors and is not sure what the plans are for 2021 at this stage.

11. CIG Handbooks and Guides

It was agreed to accept and publish all associated documents this year and to propose any further changes at the next plenary, which will hopefully be a face to face meeting.

12. Gold Rotorcraft Medal

It was agreed to present a Gold Rotorcraft Medal. There was one nomination Quentin Smith from the UK. It was agreed to unanimously.

13. Elections

It was agreed to carry the elections over to the 2021 Plenary.

14. Any other business

None.

15. Date and time of next meeting

A date will be chosen in March 2021 and the meeting will be held in Brussels.