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Minutes

of the Annual Plenary Meeting of the FAI General Air Sport Commission (CASI)

**Zoom Conference Call
On Saturday 6th November 2021 and
on Saturday 13th November 2021
1300 CET (1200 UTC)**

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1. ROLL CALL

Present

NAC:s Australia, Czech Republic, France, Hong Kong-China, Sweden, Switzerland, UK and USA

ASC:s CIA, CIG, CIMA, CIVA, CIVL, GAC, IGC and ISC

Representatives: CIMP

CASI Bureau: Antonis Papadopoulos, Gillian Rayner, Elisabet Mikaelsson, Alicia Hirzel, Art Greenfield, Ann-Sophie Tersmeden

FAI EB: David Monks FAI President and Marina Vigorito

FAI Secretariat: Markus Haggeneay, Secretary General

Absent: Germany, Italy, CIACA, CIVA and ICARE

2. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence was received from Spain.

3. PROXIES

No proxies were recorded.

4. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Declarations of conflict of interest were called for and none were recorded.

5. CASI PRESIDENT'S WELCOME

The CASI President, Antonis PAPADOPOULOS, welcomed everyone to the electronic meeting and hoped for a productive meeting.

He asked the FAI President if he would like to address the participants and he also welcomed the present delegates and wished for a fruitful meeting.

6. CASI PROJECT – Disciplinary Code and Code of Ethics

Disciplinary Code – Code of Ethics – was presented by Bruno DELOR.

The project was launched in March 2021 and the main target was to prepare a new volume including the Code of Ethics and Disciplinary code. According to the proposal, CASI will be responsible for maintaining the Code with every change subject to the FAI General Conference approval.

Also, Mr. Delor presented a revision of the Chapter 6 in the General Section of the Sporting Code.

Both documents to be effective on 1st January 2022.

The FAI Ethics & Disciplinary Code is considering the 2020 IOC Code of Ethics.

Offences subject to a disciplinary procedure: Violation of the Ethics principles, Institutional offence, Violent behavior, Alcohol issues, Sport related issues.

Phasing of a disciplinary procedure.

- Investigation
- Launching of a disciplinary procedure
- Appointment of a disciplinary First Instance tribunal

An appeal of the decision can be made and a Disciplinary Appeal Tribunal will be appointed to deal with the appeal. This Tribunal is the FAI final authority.

The FAI Disciplinary Panel will consist of members nominated by the FAI Executive Board with the minimum of 7 members and the maximum of 11 members.

Appointment of each member is for a period of four years renewable without limitation.

The Disciplinary First Instance and Appeal Tribunals, each chairperson of the two Tribunals will be proposed by the FAI President and approved by the General Conference.

For each procedure and each Tribunal, two additional members chosen by the Tribunals chairperson from the FAI Disciplinary Panel.

The prosecuted person has the right to get information regarding the charges and fair, timely and impartial hearing and/or possibly submit a defense in writing. He or she shall also have a possibility to be represented or accompanied by a legal counsel.

The concept and the new document is CASI approved and after that the document will be presented to the FAI General Conference for final approval.

The main amendments of Chapter 6 are;

6.1.4 Categories of offences

Introductions of provisions regarding what should be considered as cheating or unsporting behavior.

Clarification about what may be considered as a technical or a serious infringement.

6.1.6 Disqualification from the event

Introduction of the case of a violation of the alcohol limit defined by FAI.

Requirement by reporting by the Jury President or Event Director to the relevant ASC President after a disqualification from the event.

6.1.8 ASC Bureau actions

Introduction of the possibility for an ASC Bureau to request the FAI Executive Board to consider a disciplinary procedure after a very serious matter had been reported to the ASC President.

6.2 Complaints and 6.3 Protest

Introduction of provisions to cover in detail the different phases of an event (prior an event, during and after the event) and record attempt.

Introduction of possibility of a joint complaint and/or joint protest.

In situation of joint protest, mention that each protesting person or NAC must pay the protest fee.

6.4 Appeals

Mention of the amount of the administrative fee to pay (3,000 CHF).

In situation of a joint appeal, mention that each appellant must pay the administrative fee.

6.5 Treatments of appeals

Modification of the composition of the IAT: chairperson selected from the members of the FAI Disciplinary Panel + 1 member from the ASC concerned and 1 member from the CASI members representing the NACs.

Simplify the process considering FAI Statues 5.2.3.2.4 is no longer applicable after having introduced provision to cover matters occurring before and after the event.

The amendments to Chapter 6 was approved by the CASI Plenary. It also has to be approved by the General Conference. The CASI Bureau was given the approval to work on the wording and the definition of participants.

7. CASI PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The CASI President, Antonis PAPADOPOULOS, reported CASI activities from the past year and is published together with the documents for the General Conference.

8. FAI SECRETARY GENERAL REPORT

The report is available at the FAI Cloud for the General Conference.

FAI Secretary General Markus HAGGENEY gave a brief report.

The budget for 2021 has been very effected by the pandemic. A reduced team has been working at the Secretariat.

9. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Delegates are invited to approve the minutes of the FAI General Air Sport Commission Plenary Meeting 2020 held electronically.

The motion to approve the Minutes was passed unanimously.

10. FAI SPORTING CODE GENERAL SECTION AMENDMENTS

Revision of the General Section – was presented by the coordinator of this project Stephane MALBOS. Other members were Gillian RAYNER and Bruno DELOR.

Sporting Code Clarification, Annex 3.

Text are cleaned up, redundancies, cross-references etc. Chapters are reorganised, different levels are introduced, table of content contains three levels of reference.

Terms are sorted out and unified.

Once the new General Section is approved information will be provided and appropriate recommendations will be given to the ASC.

Future needed main amendments are:

Members not in good standing – regarding organising events and participation in any event.

Suspended members – consequences in appointing officials and issuing Sporting Licenses.

Sporting Licenses – define minimum standards for issuing them.

Organiser Agreement – move some items to Sporting Code (Bid content, suspension, cancellation).

The Sporting Code needs this revision and there is a certain urgency to address some issues. The CASI and its Bureau should be responsible to define the way forward.

The Plenary gave approval and authorised the CASI Bureau to work with this as a project and present a revised document.

11. APPEALS

Three appeals from last year, concerned the Gliding Event in Australia, are close to be published, the Tribunal are finalising the documents.

We have had one appeal, this year, from USA concerning a decision to withdraw a speed Skydiving Record, the Tribunal is in place and will shortly start to work on this case.

12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Elections for new members of CASI are going to be at the General Conference. The CASI Bureau will be elected after the end of the General Conference. Nominations will be electronical using a survey that will be sent out to all CASI Members. The FAI Secretary will check the nominations and if the nominated people are available before the final voting.

The recording of the Meeting will be available on the FAI web site.

The meeting was adjourned around 15:00 (CET).

***** End of day 1 *****

***** Start of day 2 *****

13. ELECTIONS

The meeting resumed on Saturday, 13th November 2021, at 13:00 (CET).

Present

NACs: Australia, France, Hong Kong-China, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, UK and USA

ASCs: CIAM, CIMA, CIVL, IGC and ISC

Representatives: CIMP

Apologies: GAC and Czech Republic

Absent: Germany CIA, CIACA, CIG, CIVA and ICARE

FAI EB: David Monks President

FAI Secretariat: Markus Haggenev Secretary General

The only nomination for President was Antonis Papadopoulos from CIAM and he was unanimously elected by acclamation.

The nominations for 1st Vice President were

Bruno Delor (France), Art Greenfield (USA), Alicia Hirzel (Switzerland), Rob Hughes (UK) and Gillian Rayner (ISC).

Bruno Delor (France), Art Greenfield (USA), Alicia Hirzel (Switzerland), Rob Hughes (UK) declined.

Gillian Rayner (ISC) was unanimously elected by acclamation.

Nominations for the Vice President A were

Andy Chau (Hong Kong-China), Art Greenfield (USA), Alicia Hirzel (Switzerland), Stephane Malbos (CIVL) and Gillian Rayner (ISC).

Andy Chau (Hong Kong-China), Alicia Hirzel (Switzerland), Stephane Malbos (CIVL) declined. Gillian Rayner (ISC) was already elected as 1st Vice President.

Art Greenfield (USA) was unanimously elected by acclamation.

Nominations for the Vice President B were

Bruno Delor (France), Art Greenfield (USA), Alicia Hirzel (Switzerland), Hans Schwebel (Germany) and Ann-Sophie Tersmeden (Sweden).

Bruno Delor (France), Hans Schwebel (GAC) and Ann-Sophie Tersmeden (Sweden) declined.

Art Greenfield (USA) was already elected as Vice President.

Alicia Hirzel (Switzerland) was unanimously elected by acclamation.

Nominations for the Vice President C were

Andy Chau (Hong Kong-China), Bruno Delor (France), Art Greenfield (USA) and Rob Hughes (UK).

Bruno Delor (France) and Rob Hughes (UK) declined. Art Greenfield (USA) was already elected as Vice President.

Andy Chau (Hong Kong-China) was unanimously elected by acclamation.

Nominations for the Secretary were: Rob Hughes (UK) and Elisabet Mikaelsson (ISC).

Rob Hughes (UK) declined.

Elisabet Mikaelsson (ISC) was unanimously elected by acclamation.

14. CASI PROJECTS

FAI Disciplinary Code Project and Code of Ethics

Bruno DELOR (France) was appointed to run these projects. Before the start of the projects Mr. Delor wanted to discuss the projects with the FAI Executive Board and CASI Bureau.

Revision of the General Section

There are no issues regarding the Term of Reference.

The term of project until the CASI Plenary Meeting (ordinary or extraordinary) which is going to approve the revised version.

Stephane MALBOS (CIVL) was appointed Coordinator and he would like the members to be any person or persons among CASI delegates selected by the Coordinator, until now it has been Bruno Delor (France) and Gillian Rayner (ISC). From now on he would like to work with the same plus other Bureau members.

Plans to move forward:

The revision to be approved by CASI. Restrict the project to what concerns exclusively the Sporting Code and start with the main points as reported to the Plenary.

The project will work on Basecamp and Zoom.

Causality Guidelines

Marja OSINGA (CIMP) presented the work on updating the Guidelines. Ms. Osinga was appointed to coordinate the project and also to be the liaison between CIMP and CASI.

General Section – Chapter 6

The CASI Bureau was authorised to revise the text before it is published. This project is also in close connection with the General Section and the Disciplinary Code project. Mr Delor and Mr. Malbos will work together on the definitions in the text before presenting it to the CASI Bureau.

15. CONCLUSION

The meeting concluded at 13:45 (CET). The President thanked everyone for their contribution to both meetings.

***** End of day 2 *****