WDSF Managing Committee MEETING

1 Dec 2012

Sofitel Hotel, Melbourne

Participants:  President  Carlos Freitag
              First Vice President  Lukas Hinder
              General Secretary  Shawn Tay
              Treasurer  Tony Tilenni
              Sports Director  Marco Sietas

BUSINESS

1. Round Table meeting with WDSF Members

   The MC AGREED to conduct an open meeting of members to help to improve communications and to openly and frankly exchange opinions on any and all matters including the growth and development of DanceSport and the WDSF Vision.

   The meeting is to be held on February 2nd in Barcelona and is to be conducted between 10am and 6pm.

2. 2013 WDSF AGM

   The MC AGREED to organize a second open meeting to improve communications with members at the next AGM in Shanghai, CHINA before the Open Forum.

3. IDO Cooperation

   The MC AGREED that WDSF is pleased to continue our cooperation with the IDO for the 2013 World Games and 2013 WDSF Games in collaboration and agreement with our member bodies.

   After these two Games, WDSF will consider how to move forward with IDO.
4. Situation in Italy

The MC congratulated FIDS on the recent election of the new Presidium following the completion of the term of the CONI Administrator.

5. Refund from Russia

As promised by the new Russian member body at the last AGM, the WDSF MC AGREED that WDSF continues to seek reimbursement of the EUR36,000 expenses for the cancellation of the European Youth Latin in March 2012.

The MC AGREED that this issue needs to be finalised before 31st December this year.

6. WDSF Technique Books

   a. Review
   b. New publication
   c. Sales

The MC AGREED that an agreement which confirms the intellectual property rights of WDSF as proposed by Carrard’s must be executed for the Technical books before its distribution.

The MC also AGREED that the input received from the PD and other experts must be considered before the new Technical Books can be finalised and issued.

7. Meeting with Associate Members

   a. Report after next meeting
   b. Renewed commitment required from Associate members
   c. Renewal of Associate membership

The MC confirmed that the next meeting with the Associate members will be held in Barcelona at 10am on Friday, 18th January. The MC AGREED that an updated Associate Membership Agreement will be required when the current Agreements with WRRC, WBT and UCWDC expire on August 31st, 2013. The renewal is required at least six months before 31st August, 2013 (see 3.4.1 of the Associate Membership Agreements).
The MC **AGREED** that each Associate member body provide a report on the progress of the integration with WDSF member bodies.

The MC also **AGREED** to support Associate members to achieve our mutual goals.

The MC **AGREED** that before 31st August, 2015 WDSF would require that at least 75% of National Associate members with its DanceSport disciplines will be integrated into one national body unifying all DanceSport Disciplines. The new Associate Membership Agreement will include such a special clause and a new timeline until 31st August 2015.

We also remind Associate members that in accordance with SportAccord and IWGA requirements for The World Games, every World Federation needs to be represented on a minimum of three Continents.

In the spirit of co-operation and for full disclosure, the WDSF MC would like to receive a copy of the Audited Accounts for each Associate Member Federation for the year 2011.

### 8. WDSF Games

The Sports Director provided a detailed overview on planning, and, the recent Technical meeting held with the Associate members and IDO relating to structures, competition rules, passports, facilities, transportation, accommodation, etc for the Inaugural WDSF Games.

The MC acknowledged that the logistics of these Games is demanding and the obligations very significant and we need to be very cautious in our approach to ensure successful Games.

A local project leader is required in Kaohsiung as well as some workers and volunteers.

The required information on timetable and medals will be sent by the Sports Director to Kaohsiung by December 15.

### 9. Report of Meeting with JL Bourquin

The MC believes that we require expert marketing support to develop new sponsorship opportunities for WDSF. The MC **AGREED** that we negotiate to engage SESCN (with SESCN Coordinator Jean-Laurent Bourquin in charge of Sports & Competition areas, and, Senior Consultant “TV/Marketing” Stefan Kleine-Erfkamp responsible for the fulfilment of all tasks with reference to WDSF Commercial Services) after revising the draft contract and limiting the initial term to one year from 1st December, 2012 to 31st December, 2013. A fee of EUR 8,000
per month would be paid for six months totalling EUR48,000 plus paying agreed expenses over EUR100.

At the end of the 6 months, new sponsorship income up to EUR200,000 will be split 40% to SESCN and 60% to WDSF. For income over EUR200,000 the split will be 30% to SESCN and 70% to WDSF.

This agreement is subject to SESCN being required to complete negotiations with our proposed watch sponsor, and, negotiations with EuroSport which are both to be included in the EUR8000 fee per month for the first six months.

Roland Hilfiker will be responsible for future TV and will report to LH.

10. World Artistic Games

CF reported on meetings with SportAccord on this matter and progress is being made with a host city in Asia for the Inaugural Games in 2014.

11. World Master Games

CF informed the MC that the CEO on behalf of the President of the International Masters Games Association has advised WDSF the following:

"Dear Carlos,

The President and I are as you know great supporters of your sport and we have from the beginning tried to ensure it would be on the Program in Torino.

However, the current financial situation is making things very difficult indeed and unfortunately it seems impossible for the Organising Committee to have DanceSport on the program."

As a result, CF informed the MC that the first opportunity to participate in the Masters Games will be for the 2014 America’s Masters Games in Vancouver, Canada, and, the 2015 European Masters Games in Nice France, and, the 2017 World Masters Games in Auckland New Zealand. The participation in these three games by WDSF has been confirmed by the President of the IMGA.

12. Cooperation with EuroSport

LH confirmed that after the test event in Spain on November 4, 2012, EuroSport is interested in televising live DanceSport events in 2013 in Standard and Latin. Details and costs are still to be finalised.
13. Agenda for WDSF Presidium Meeting Jan 2013

The MC reviewed the draft agenda for the January Presidium meeting.

14. ICU (applying to SportAccord) and IFC

CF provided an update on developments with Cheerleading and SportAccord.

15. WDSF PD

The MC AGREED to recommend to the Presidium that in 2013 WDSF increase the cash subsidies for the PD Grand Prix events from EUR50,000 to EUR65,000, however, the events where the prize money is used is to be agreed with the WDSF MC.

The MC welcomes the suggestion from some PD members that the Presidium of the PD be reduced to a director and 4 members.

16. WDSF ID Cards

The MC was provided with an example of the new Athlete’s ID Card.

MS explained that there was significant email communication throughout the year with all National Member bodies. The emails provided warnings to members on deadlines for compliance with the new system.

Each member body requires a “reader” to process ID cards. John Caprez will email members to explain what they need to purchase to process cards.

Members are required to refer to the WDSF website which explains the system in detail.

It was agreed that the invoices for the ID cards to members can be paid by 31st March with annual membership fees. For member bodies with less than 100 athletes, an invoice will be raised for 50% of athletes on the RLS list.

LH confirmed that external legal advice was obtained with regard to the ID Cards and data protection. On November 30, 2012 LH received a written report from our lawyer. The lawyer noted from the documents sent to him that the security of the information, from a technical perspective, is good. LH will provide a more detailed report to the next WDSF Presidium Meeting in January 2013.
17. Management of RLS

The MC AGREED that from 1st January, 2013 the RLS will be maintained by John Caprez and not Richard Botik.

18. Anti-Doping Commission

The MC AGREED to ask Ko de Mooy if we could find another person to stand in to perform his duties until he is able to resume them.

19. Proposal for future Congress requirements

To be discussed at next Presidium meeting.

The MC AGREED that commencing from January 2013, and in accordance with the recommendations of the Academy, there will be new clearer guidelines for the conduct of Adjudicator Congresses.

After the next AGM in 2013, Adjudicators Courses for new applicants will be conducted with a new structure and conditions which will be explained to members at the Open Forum.

20. World Open

In order to overcome some problems with the conduct and number of World Opens, the Sports Commission will review the terms and conditions for conducting such events.

21. Restructuring of WDSF Office and CEO

The MC believes that a restructure of the WDSF Office may be required. As part of this restructure, WDSF may need to consider appointing a Chief Executive Officer to assist with the growth and development of WDSF. CF will consider this issue and make a proposal for the next Presidium meeting.

Tony Tilenni
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WDSF General Secretary