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IFSC PLENARY ASSEMBLY 2010 – BALI, INDONESIA MINUTES

Members present or represented

Australia	SCA	Proxy - Eric Atkin (CNZ)
Austria	OWK	Proxy - Leo Condrau (SAC)
Belarus	BAF	Proxy - Dmitry Bichov (CFR)
Belgium	CMBEL	Delegate - Tuurs Ceuleers
Brazil	CBME	Proxy - Keith Ferguson (USAC)
Bulgaria	BCMF	Delegate - Ivaylo Penchev
Canada	ACC/CEC	Proxy - Graeme Alderson (BMC)
China	CMA	Delegate - Ding Xianghua
Chinese Taipei	CTAA	Delegate - Wei-Chi Huang
Denmark	DCF	Delegate - Niels Staun
France	FFME	Delegate - Pierre You
Germany	DAV	Proxy - Leo Condrau (SAC)
Great Britain	BMC	Delegate - Graeme Alderson
Hong Kong	HKMU	Delegate - Frederick Yu
Hong Kong	HKSCU	Delegate - Ching Kwok Kit
India	IMF	Delegate - Amit Chandra Roy
Indonesia	FPTI	Delegate - Abdi Nefo Ginting
Italy	FASI	Delegate - Ariano Amici
Japan	JMA	Delegate - Kobinata Toru
Jordan	JFSC	Proxy - Joan Garrigos (FEDME)
Kazakhstan	MCFRK	Delegate - Kazbek Valiyev
Korea	KAF	Delegate - Kim Jae Wook
Latvia	LAA	Proxy - Dmitry Bichov (CFR)
Luxembourg	FLERA	Proxy - Ariano Amici (FASI)
Malaysia	PMM	Delegate - Musa Atan
Nepal	NMA	Delegate - Deebas Bickram Shah
Netherlands	NKBV	Delegate - Frits Vrijlandt
New Zealand	CNZ	Delegate - Eric Atkin
Peru	FEPADI	Proxy - Pierre You (FFME)
Portugal	FPME	Proxy - Fritz Vrijlandt (NKBV)
Russia	CFR	Delegate - Dmitry Bichov
Singapore	SMF	Delegate - Yip Seck Hong
Spain	FEDME	Delegate - Joan Garrigos Toro
Switzerland	SAC	Delegate - Leo Condrau
Turkey	TMF	Delegate - Parkpoom Ratanarojanakool
Ukraine	UMF	Proxy - Pierre You (FFME)
USA	USAC	Delegate - Keith Ferguson



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Other Attendees

Andrea Barabino	Auditor
Paola Gigliotti	Honorary Member
Luis Lopez	Ismf
Ivaylo Penchev	Walltopia
Savina Petrova	Walltopia
Alberto Marcos	Top 30
Nacho Alvarez	Top 30

Members of the Executive Board and Staff

Marco Maria Sclaris MMS	President
Helmut Knabl HK	Vice-President Sport/Events
Alexander Piratinskiy AP	Vice-President Communication
Debra Gawrych DG	Vice-President Treasurer and Finances
Muriel Sarkany MuS	Athlete Representative
Wolfgang Wabel WW	European Council
David Dornian DD	PanAmerican Council
Li Zhixin LZ	Asia Council
James Maguire JMA	Oceania Council
Elena Corriero EC	Sport Administrator
Jerome Meyer JM	Sport Manager

Members present or represented

1. Registration and arrival

2. Welcome of the President and State of the Art

MMS thanks the delegates for attending the 5th IFSC Plenary Assembly and express the of all the IFSC family to the Indonesian Federation FPTI and Abdi Nefo Ginting for hosting the event in such an amazing place. Then he started the statutory procedures.

3. Call to order

a. Members Present and voting rights

Voting members: 36 on 68 are present
Quorum: 19
Special quorum: 35

b. Scrutineers Appointment

David Dornian
Lluís Giner



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Vote:

In favor 31
Abstained 0
Against 0

Unanimously approved

NKBV – intervention on information missing. The lack of documents does not allow NFs to properly prepare for the Assembly. He defines the situation as unacceptable.

4. Minutes approval

Vote:

In favor 31
Abstained 3
Against 0

Approved

5. Membership

Update on the situation of Portugal and Hong Kong. Presentation of the new members.

Azerbaijan candidacy introduced by AP.

Voting on Azerbaijan candidacy.

In favor 35
Abstained
Against

Unanimously Approved

Voting on Jordan candidacy.

In favor 35
Abstained
Against

Unanimously Approved

Jordan will be included in the ACC.

Voting on Ireland candidacy, provided they comply with NADA regulations.

In favor 35
Abstained
Against

Unanimously Approved



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Report on competing athletes per federation and federation contributions. Russia objects that CFR is not present in the document while it is one of the NFs with more athletes. EB apologizes for this missing, reminding Russia is one of the highest contributors in both fields.

Voting on enforcement of article 10

- With regard to the 2009 Annual Fee
(see the list of countries that have not paid the Annual Fee on the corresponding slide:
Fasa, Pbsb, Feach, Fedan, Mcag, Fnag, Iri, Fmrick, Mmsf,
Fmdmye, Scapi, Scfs, Fmcu, Feved, FCMP)

Vote

In favor 30
Abstained 4
Against 0
Approved

- With regard to exclusion from competitions; vote to delegate to the EB the enforcement of Article 10 before the start of the competition season 2010.

Vote

In favor 32
Abstained 1
Against 0
Approved

Request for clarification by NKBV on what the IFSC does to ensure NFs pay.

6. President's Report

MMS takes the word, explaining the work to be accepted in the Olympic family, that finally led to the IOC final recognition granted in February 2010.

He also reports on the meeting with Rogge. The IFSC is growing fast; and now that climbing is recognized, it is eligible for the Olympic Games.

Considering the successful participation in the WG 2009 and the opportunities offered by the CISM, it is not unrealistic to foresee a possible IFSC participation in the Olympics 2020.

MMS proceeds to explain the reason behind the choice to move the WCH to even years from 2012 onwards. The aim behind the choice is to facilitate the athletes' participation to both competitions (the coincidence of the two events proved source of many complications in 2009) and to reduce the workload for the office.

Furthermore, the choice for 2020 Olympics will be made in 2013; having two



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successful WCH in 2011 and 2012 would make a great showcase for the IFSC. Although chances are small, they exist. The point is now NFs' commitment to the goal.

MMS awards the medals to the Golden Members, who represent a good example of commitment.

Intervention by Frederick Yu (HKMU) thanking MMS and the EB for their work.

Introduction on strategy by Jerome Meyer.

Then MMS gives the floor to VP Finance DG excusing itself as he is not feeling well. DG will conduct the meeting.

7. Finance

a. Income statement 2009 (see slides from 7.2 to 7.5)

Finance 2009 overview and presentation of the work done in 2009. Report by Andrea Barabino, who has audited the income statement 2009, and who recommends the PA to accept the income statement 2009.

Vote on financial statement 2009

Vote

In favor 31
Abstained 1
Against 0

Approved

b. Fee system (see slide 7.6)

Presentation of the revised fee system and increases in the Annual Fee from 2011 onwards.

The EB is aware that the increase in the Annual Fee may create problems, but it is necessary to move forward and finance the projects in communications and strategy.

Open discussion

Graeme Alderson (BMC) points out that 15 NFs did not pay in 2009, and it would be impossible to expect they paid more.

Frits Vrijlandt (NKBV) asks if the IFSC has thought of a smaller Annual Fee for smaller federations.

DD replies that the IOC charter recommends equal treatment for all federations; as each member weights equal in voting, they should pay equal.



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Frits Vrijlandt (NKBV) complains that they are disappointed with regard to the promise – made when the IFSC separated from the UIAA – of having sponsors to finance IFSC's activities, as it seems such thing has not occurred and won't be occurring in the near future.

Keith Ferguson (USAC) declares USAC is supporting the proposal to raise the fee to contribute to the development of Sport Climbing.

DG declares she is convinced that what the IFSC gives back to the NFS is exponential.

DD adds that there are specific reasons and uses for the money that is asked to NFs.

Leo Condrau (SAC) thinks it is dangerous to raise the fee every year.

DG replies that in order not to raise the 2010 fee (which could not be raised anyway) there have been great cuts in the budget hindering many projects.

Nepal agrees with SAC; Nepal is member of many lfs, and it could not afford to pay higher fees.

DG stresses the importance of commitment; investments will pay in the end.

Paola Gigliotti (Honorary member) thinks it is only normal to ask for an increase in the fees, and for a strong commitment, in order to achieve the Olympic Dream. Many federations have worked hard for the Recognition, and that work should not be wasted.

Frits Vrijlandt (NKBV) says he agrees with Paola's point of view, but he objects to the way the Financial issues are being presented.
He states that it is not acceptable to vote on a document that has not been presented to members before the PA.

JMA suggests to look at the 2010 budget first. He understands the timings were not appropriate, but the EB will work towards an improvement in this sense.
JMA explains that the Annual Fee has been designed for a 4 years cycle.

Leo Condrau (SAC) suggests to split the vote, and vote only on 2011.

DG proceeds to explain the budget 2010, to give the NFs a more proper background for a vote on the fees.

LI Zhixin CMA says Sport Climbing developed very quickly thanks to the NFs and EB work.

The IOC recognition is a good opportunity for further development, but development needs funding. Sponsors will come together with development.

The IFSC needs special funding this year, so he proposes that NFs contribute to the start up of the project; in case NFs accept and take up the challenge, CMA is contributing with 10.000€.



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DG proposes that the PA votes on increase of the Annual Fee 2011 only.

Leo Condrau (SAC) asks for a break.

COFFE Break

Session reopens

Vote on 2010 budget (see slides from 7.9 to 7.11)

In favor 34
Abstained 1
Against

Approved

Vote on fee system revision for 2011

Frits Vrijlandt (NKBV) proposes to reduce the increase to 2000€ and circumscribe it to 2011.

DG asks for voluntary contributions.

HKMU says that the increase is quite high, but suggests to provisionally increase and then find other funding to lower again.

HKMU would like to offer its support with another 5000€.

DG reformulates the proposal, including NKBV suggestion; Annual Fee increased to 2000€ in 2011, while the target will be redefined by the next year.

Vote on fee increase

In favor 33
Abstained 2
Against 0

Approved

c. Golden Members (see slides 7.14 to 7.16)

Explanation of the concept by DG and presentation of the motion by DAV, OWK, SAC.

Golden members funding will be devoted to the financing of a marketing study and plan.



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Leo Condrau (SAC) does not think it is a good idea to combine the motion with the Golden Member funding. The motion should be voted separately, not dependent on the Golden Membership.

DG says the matter does not seem relevant to her; this vote would guarantee more accountability for the Golden Members' funding anyway.

WW explains that the EB wants to focus better the GM money, and for this reason the EB thought of combining the two issues. WW suggests to vote on the motion in principle, and agree with the external revenue program.

Vote on the motion (as per slides):

Vote on Motion

In favor 32
Abstained 2
Against 0

Approved

8. Election of the IFSC Secretary General

Graeme Alderson proposes a formal thanks to former Secretary General Reindert Lenselink.

Pierre-Henri Paillason introduces himself to the PA.

Vote on candidature of Pierre-Henri Paillason as IFSC Secretary General

Vote:

In favor: 33
Abstained 2
Against 0

Approved: Pierre Henri Paillason is elected as IFSC Secretary General.

9. World Championship

Introduction by HK on date change (switch of the WCH to even years).

WCH 2012

Presentation of Paris Candidature by Pierre-Henri Paillason.

Vote on Paris Candidacy

In favor: 32
Abstained: 0



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Against:0

Approved

WYCH 2012

Presentation of Singapore candidacy by Rasip Isnin

Vote on Singapore candidacy

In favor 35

Abstained 0

Against

Approved

10. Structure review

Sport Department

Introduction by DG; HK then presents the Sport department and welcomes Pierre-Henri as new Secretary General.

JM further clarifies the aims and functioning of the SD.

HK explains the implementation of the figure of the technical delegate.

Statutes Rewording (See slides 9.2 to 9.4)

Rewording of art.6 (must be voted by 2/3 of the voting NFS present).

Vote

In favor 35

Abstained 0

Against

Approved

Lunch break

Session reopens

Projection of the presentation film for the candidature of Paris, Bercy.

11. Calendar, events, competitions (see slides 11.1 and 11.2)

Presentation by HK of the 2010 calendar. HK thanks Asia and Panamerica for organizing their championships.

HK also mentions the Egroupware calendar improvements that will allow to have a better view of the IFSC calendar.

World Games



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Graeme Alderson reports on the WG 2009. The climbing events were attended twice by the IWGA President, and events were sold out. He considers the WG 2009 to have been a very positive event for the IFSC.

WCH 2009

Report by WW, IFSC delegate. He thanks CMA for the effort done also through extra-prize money. Although there were some problems with regard to communication, the event was successful. HK renews his thanks to CMA.

Speed State of the Art (see slides 11.4 and 11.5)

Report by EC on new Licensees and walls built.

9. Continental Councils (see slides from 12.1 to 12.18)

Each Continental delegate reports on activities, competitions and plans of its Council.

European Council WW

PanAmerican Council DD

Asian Council AS

Oceania Council JMA

Report on Africa by Paola Gigliotti, IFSC Honorary Member. After attending the IOC Sports and Environment convention in Nairobi, she got convinced of the importance of sport as a tool for social improvement and education. Paola has been acting in 2009 as a delegate of the IFSC in Africa, to promote the development of sport climbing on the continent. She is now tying contacts in Ethiopia and Senegal.

10. Athletes' report

Report by Muriel Sarkany on athletes' targets and main issues.

11. Anti-doping

Report by EC on anti-doping events, tests results 2009 and RTP 2010. Report on the appointment of Paolo Orione as Anti-doping officer.

12. Disciplinary and appeals commission

HK reports that there have been no disciplinary actions in 2009, and thanks the athletes for their behavior.

13. Technical Commissions

There will be no courses in 2010. News will be published as soon as new courses will be organized.

14. Paraclimbing

Report by Alexander Piratinskiy on paraclimbing events and plans for the future. 3 events are scheduled for 2010. Paraclimbers will be invited to events 2 days before for



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a seminar and workshop. AP introduces Kobinata Toru (JMA) who presents the events and initiatives organized in Japan by JMA for blind climbers.

AP concludes by saying that the aim may be to be included in the Paralympic Games.

15. IT and website (see slides from 16.1 to 16.3)

EC reports on the newsletter and Keith Ferguson from USAC offers to give access to the USAC newsletter database.

JMA reports on the IT projects for website renewal. JMA reports the idea of separating corporate contents from competition contents. Data management and system result will remain on Egroupware, while a bid will be launched for the renewal of the website.

16. Event webcasting (19.3 and 19.4)

Presentation by EC of the project and of the company the EB has chosen to work with, explaining which are its main strengths. JMA explains the funding possibilities that the EB will look after if the PA approves the project.

Graeme Alderson adds the references of Horizon and says that Sheffield can be added to the list.

CMA says that they would like more Federations to offer their financial support.

Vote:

In favor: 27

Abstained: 6

Against: 0

Approved

17. Upcoming PA meetings

PA 2011

FASI candidates Rome for hosting the 2011 PA

Vote

In favor 34

Abstained 1

Against 1

Approved

PA 2012

NKBV candidates Amsterdam for hosting the PA 2012



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Vote

In favor 36

Abstained

Against

Approved

18. Any other business

Proposal from Malaysia to rotate the WYCH among countries that are willing to organize it.

Proposal by EB to appoint more Honorary Members. DG suggests NFs propose their candidates.

The meeting closes at 16.30, Saturday 27th, 2010