



MEETING INFO

DATE	MEETING INFO	START TIME	END TIME	MINUTES BY
18 oktober 2017	General Meeting 2017	19:45 pm	20:35 pm	Gill Moore and Frank van Wijk

PARTICIPANTS

MEMBER COMMITTEE		COUNTRY	INVITED	PRESENT	REMARK
Chris Moore	President	UK	Yes	Yes	
Levente Czaszar	Vice Pres	Austria	Yes	Yes	
Torsten Wulff	Treasurer	Denmark	Yes	Yes	
Frank van Wijk	Secretary	The Netherlands	Yes	Yes	Participated via Skype
Jan Marques	IBRA Rep.	Belgium	Yes	Yes	
Régis Thouément		France	Yes	Yes	
Pablo Ibarondo		Spain	Yes	Yes	
Matas Mizgiris		Lithuania	Yes	Yes	
Patrick Letters		Ireland	Yes	Yes	
Jonas Bourghardt	IBRA Rep.	Sweden	Yes	Yes	
Richard Bertholet		Switzerland	Yes	Yes	
Tomasz Matysiak		Poland	Yes	No	
Dominic Heemann		Germany	Yes	No	Not registered for EC 2017
Jose Francisco Moleiro		Portugal	Yes	No	Not registered for EC 2017
Alexander Houston		Cyprus	Yes	No	Not registered for EC 2017

AGENDA

NR	SUBJECT		INTRODUCED BY
01	Opening of the GM and welcome to the present representatives		Chris
02	Financial Annual Report and balance sheet <ul style="list-style-type: none"> open request for participants list France 		Torsten Frank
03	Determining the contribution for National Associations		
04	Appointment of Board Members <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chris is eligible for president 		
05	Composition of EBA Committee Members on Facebook		Chris / Frank
06	Venue for European Championships 2019		Chris
07	Proposal for amendment to the Articles of Association	Attached to the agenda	Frank
08	Current members and voting rights <ul style="list-style-type: none"> based on participation / activity over the last 2 years 		Jan
09	Any item to be discussed		



MINUTES

01	SUBJECT: OPENING OF THE GM AND WELCOME TO THE PRESENT REPRESENTATIVES	ACTION BY
	<p>Chris opens the meeting at 19.45 pm and welcomes all Representatives present. He thanked Pablo for the organization of location and he assumes an effective but not too long meeting. Frank will follow the meeting by Skype.</p>	
02	SUBJECT: FINANCIAL ANNUAL REPORT AND BALANCE SHEET	ACTION BY
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The financial statement gives a positive result of just over € 500, -. This is not enough and is actually caused by an inadequate contribution from the different countries. This should be solved by the revision of the Articles of Association. • After a discussion all agreed to support the Europeans 2017 with an amount of € 500,- • Up to now, France has yet another outstanding question regarding the number of participants in the Open French Championship 2017 • Frank needs a list of who was at the French Open. An invoice can then be sent. This invoice also contains all payment information. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Frank will sent a reminder e-mail to Régis. Régis must reply on that mail asap. • Torsten will be asked to send to Frank a new printout of the bank statement from 1 January to date to check all country payments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Question: Has Jonas paid for Swedish Open? Frank replies as far as he knows he did. 	<p>Frank / Régis</p> <p>Torsten</p>
03	SUBJECT: DETERMINING THE CONTRIBUTION FOR NATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS	ACTION BY
	<p>Chris raises the question: Do we keep the fee as 2,- € or put it up. What is the feeling of everyone?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jan - we have a bit of trouble receiving it now <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Yes, but that has to change with everyone's cooperation (see item 07) ○ All money raised goes towards Europeans so Miguel will get 500 Euros for this event and the next host will probably also get 500 Euros. Probably to be used to pay towards the transponder system. • Lots of discussion between individual members <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Frank - when an Open National Championship is finished could we all send a list of all the entrants so that Frank can then send an invoice so that we can get the money in quickly and we then have an idea of how much will be in the bank for the next Europeans. A proposal for this has been prepared and is discussed in item 07. <p>Chris raises the question again: Do we keep the fee as € 2,- or put it up.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leave for the next 2 year cycle as 2 Euros and then look at this again next time. • Jonas - It's a onetime payment for each country - is 2 Euros a lot? • Pablo - should we raise it to 4 Euros? Thought that if this happened then at least the money paid would cover the cost of the transponder hire for the host country. This would then allow for other things to be paid for from the actual entry fees. • Chris - thought this was a good idea. We will always need to have a transponder system at every Europeans. • Régis - need to see how many euros are left after this year. • Pat - thought that it would not be fair if one country gets € 500,- this year and then another country gets 1200 next year. • Jonas - It would not matter too much to raise the fees if the participants know where the money goes. So if it's going to go on the transponder then the participants should know this. • Chris - the more funds we get in then the more funds that can be put into the event. 	



03	SUBJECT: DETERMINING THE CONTRIBUTION FOR NATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS	ACTION BY
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Frank - It should be for the Board of the EBA to decide what the money is spent on. It should be based on a balanced budget and in accordance with article 11 of the Articles of Association. • Jan - if we put it up to 4 now then we can always reduce it again if it does not work. • Matas - Each venue will have different running costs. If there is money left could that also been given to the host country to use towards the event. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Chris - we can't really say how much an event is going to cost and run because some country's will be more expensive than others. By paying for the transponder then each country is getting the same level of payment as the others. <p>AGREED</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By all - the fee will be increased to 4 Euros per adult racer with effect for 1st January 2018. Ice sailing is excluded of paying a fee. 		
04	SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT OF BOARD MEMBERS	ACTION BY
<p>There have been no other candidates registered for the presidency.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chris - agrees with continuation of his position as president. <p>There have also been no new candidates for the board from other countries.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The current board are all happy to stay. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ If any country representative wants to change then he will need to find another representative in his country to take his place. However, he must follow the procedure as described in Article 15 of the Articles of Association. 		
05	SUBJECT: COMPOSITION OF EBA COMMITTEE MEMBERS ON FACEBOOK	ACTION BY
<p>The Facebook group "EBA Committee" also includes the former board members (Nico, Jan Meijer, Bruno and Javier) as a kind of consultant.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chris - the question is whether this is necessary and desirable. If needed, we can always consult them. <p>AGREED</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By all - decided that all 4 of them should be removed from the group. 		
06	SUBJECT: VENUE FOR EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS 2019	ACTION BY
<p>Chris mentioned that this was the first time that we have had all countries vote on the Europeans from all those that were active member. It was a democratic election with a similar outcome. That made it difficult to make a decision. But we are very happy with the decision of "Team France" to host the European Championships in 2019.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Régis - a brief explanation of some points regarding these championships <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ the suggested venue is a good site as the beach is very large and can race on it most of the time as not usually affected by high tide. ○ Not all information is available yet. Some things have to sorted out. ○ Budgets have been based on the 2 Euro contribution but now this is voted to go up to 4 they will need to check the final budget. Wanted to know what the EBA will give to the Europeans next time. ○ They want to make sure they have a clear budget as they will be working closely with the host club. This is a discussion point for the future. • Chris - please can you put forward any questions that you have and then we can work through them. 		Régis



07	SUBJECT: PROPOSAL FOR AMENDMENT TO THE ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION	ACTION BY
	<p>The intention of this proposal is to make sure that the EBA membership fee of the National Championship can be invoiced faster and more structured. The proposal was sent to the agenda in preparation for the meeting. The adjustments are highlighted in yellow.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st amendment - accepted by all • 2nd amendment - on agenda - amendment accepted by everyone • 3rd amendment - on agenda - amendment accepted by everyone <p>Jonas - planning of the venues for worlds and European needs to take into account accommodation and cost for people as it needs to be affordable.</p> <p>AGREED</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Frank will make and publish the amendments to the articles of association 	<p>Frank</p>
08	SUBJECT: CURRENT MEMBERS AND VOTING RIGHTS	ACTION BY
	<p>Jan has introduced this subject and asks what administrative rights should be assigned to representatives who are never seen at an important event like a European Championship</p> <p>A discussion followed. Some items and ideas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ??? - If a country does not participate in any active events for 2 years should they be out. In particular Portugal not sure if they actually want to race. • Torsten - there has been no Danish Open for 2 years. • Pat - by doing this it is not very welcoming for new country if they are trying to build the sport. Maybe Nationals could give you a vote. • ??? - As long as a country is not seen in opens or at the Europeans then they are not required to make a payment. For an open to count it would need to have a minimum of 10 participants. • Frank - everyone accepted the articles of association last year and these give information about this and these rules need to be followed. • Patrick - one of the biggest problems for smaller countries who want to run a nationals is getting the insurance as it is so expensive. <p>Chris puts an end to the discussion because it can be long talk about this topic.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chris - this is probably not something we can sort out now. We can send out an email after this event to open it up for discussion. Everyone present was in agreement with it being dealt with that way. 	<p>Chris / Jan / Frank</p>
09	SUBJECT: ANY ITEM TO BE DISCUSSED	ACTION BY
	<p>No other topics have been introduced.</p>	

Chris ended the meeting at 20:35 pm.

He thanked everyone for their presence and their contribution to the discussion.



ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN

ACTION	APPOINTED TO	DATE	READY
Reminder e-mail to Régis concerning number of participants French Open	Frank	16-10-'17	Y
Participation list and results French Open 2017 to be sent to Frank	Régis	28-10-'17	Y
Copy of Bank statement from 1 January to date to be send to Frank	Torsten	28-10-'17	Y
Send questions relating to the European Championships to the Secretary with copy to Chris.	Régis		
Make adjustments to the various articles of the Articles of Association	Frank	18-10-'17	Y
Preparation for discussion topic "Administrative rights assigned to representatives never seen"	Chris / Jan / Frank		

NEXT MEETING

SUBJECTS	APPOINTED TO	DATE
New date not yet set		