



# INTERNATIONAL FLOORBALL FEDERATION (IFF)

Ordinary member of AGFIS/GAISF

Zürich, December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2012

## IFF Central Board meeting 6/2012 09.12.2012

**Place:** Hotel Crowne Plaza, Badenerstrasse 420, Zürich, Switzerland

**Participants:** **Tomas Eriksson**                      **President**  
**Monica Bakke**  
**Daniel Bollinger**  
**Risto Kauppinen**  
**Stephen King**  
**Carlos Lopez**  
**Johanna Mikkola**  
**Oliver Stoll**  
**Filip Suman**  
**Martin Wolmhed**

**Stefan Kratz**                                      **Competition Manger**  
**Merita Bruun**                                   **Information Manager**  
**John Liljelund**                                 **Secretary General**

## Minutes

### § 1.                      **Opening of the meeting**

Mr. Eriksson opened the constitution meeting of the newly elected IFF Central Board at 09.30 and greeted the new CB members welcome to the IFF CB and conveyed the message that the IFF has a number of major tasks in front of us to continue the positive development of Floorball. The basis for the work is the Plan of Action for 2011-2012 approved by the IFF General Assembly in Helsinki, Finland.

The CB members and the staff made a short introduction of themselves telling about their background and Floorball experience.

### § 2.                      **Approval of the agenda**

Mr. Eriksson concluded that there were no updated appendixes for the meeting.

### § 3                      **Minutes from the CB meeting: 05/2012 in Zürich, Switzerland (07.12.2012), (Appendix 1),**

The minutes from the last meetings were scrutinized, approved and put ad acta.



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## § 4. Appointment of Secretary General and the Office

Mr. Eriksson informed that the IFF has signed an agreement with the Finnish Floorball Federation (SSBL) for the hosting IFF Office in Helsinki and the services of Competition Coordinator, which the SSBL is paying for. IFF has no employee on their own pay roll, since all employees are in contractual relationships with the Finnish and Swedish federations. In addition Mr. Eriksson informed that in accordance with the agreement made between the IFF and the SSBL concerning the employment of the IFF General Secretary, Mr. Liljelund, the IFF has the possibility to terminate the contract and inform in writing to the SSBL latest on the 30<sup>th</sup> of December 2012 about it. In this case there is a six months notice to the signed agreement.

Mr. Eriksson proposes to re-elect Mr. Liljelund as IFF Secretary General for the upcoming four year period 2013 - 2016 and to keep the IFF Office in Helsinki for the two coming years, based on the agreement made with the Finnish federation in 2005 and renewed in 2012.

**The CB decided:** To approve the appointment of the secretary general and the location of the Office.

## § 5. Constitution of the CB

Mr. Eriksson was of the opinion that the CB shall be responsible of the strategical work and the office shall take care of the operational and tactical work. When Mr. Eriksson talks about CB he includes the secretary general to this group. The division within the CB means tasks of various levels not all with a portfolio as such. The CB will take care of the long term issues.

According to the IFF Statutes (Art. 34) the CB shall among itself appoint a Vice President and a Treasurer for the mandate period. Mr. Eriksson proposes that Mr. Filip Suman shall be re-elected as the Vice President and Mrs. Monica Bakke shall be re-elected as Treasurer for IFF.

Mr. Suman expressed that the CB has been given the responsibility to lead the sport on a strategical level for the four coming years. The CB needs to work in a more strategic way.

Mr. King felt that it is very important that the CB members ask any questions put forward.

**The CB decided:** To approve the appointment of Mr. Filip Suman as Vice President and Mrs. Monica Bakke as Treasurer.

## § 6. Constitution of the Executive Committee (ExCo)

According to the IFF Statutes (Art. 39) the CB shall elect an Executive Committee consisting of the president, the vice president and the secretary general and two members of the CB. Mr. Eriksson proposes to constitute the IFF ExCo, consisting of the IFF President Mr. Tomas Eriksson as chairman, the IFF vice president Mr. Filip Suman, IFF CB member Mr. Stephen King IFF CB member, IFF Treasurer Mrs. Monica Bakke and the IFF secretary general Mr. Liljelund as members. The secretary general will also act as the secretary of the ExCo.

**The CB decided:** To approve the proposal.

## § 7. Right to sign for the IFF and right to use the IFF bank account

Mr. Liljelund proposed that the right to sign in the name of the IFF shall be given to the President Mr. Tomas Eriksson single-handedly, and to the vice president and the Treasurer



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always two persons together in any possible combination with either the

president or the secretary general.

Mr. Eriksson proposed that the IFF secretary general Mr. Liljelund has the right to sign in the name of IFF single-handedly in any issue of daily business or together in combination with the President, vice president or the treasurer.

The secretary general proposes that Mr. Tomas Eriksson, Mr. Stefan Kratz and Mr. John Liljelund shall have the right to use the IFF bank account 559200-11 at Credit Suisse, CH-8702 Zollikon, Switzerland.

**The CB decided:** To approve the proposals.

## § 8. Decision of Legal Seat

Mr. Eriksson proposed that IFF will have its Legal Seat in Switzerland. The IFF Office will together with Mr. Bollinger to investigate how to organise the registration in Switzerland during the coming two years.

**The CB decided:** To approve the proposals.

## § 9. Constitution of the Committees and Functions

Mr. Eriksson proposed to elect the Athletes Commission member Mrs. Magdalena Kotikova, Czech Republic as the Chairman of the Athletes Commission for the coming two year period and therefore ex officio become a member of the IFF Central Board.

Mr. Suman gave some background information of Mrs. Kotikova, who has played in the Czech women's national team and works in sales & marketing in the Czech Airlines.

**The CB decided:** To elect Mrs. Magdalena Kotikova as the Chairman of the Athletes Committee and by that ex officio becoming a member of the IFF CB.

The previous IFF CB has asked the member associations to nominate candidates to the IFF committees until the 30<sup>th</sup> of November 2012. The nominations were asked for the Medical Committee, Rules and Competition Committee and the Referee Committee and 14 member federations nominated persons to the committees (**Appendix 2**)

The President Mr. Eriksson proposed that the CB would in this meeting constitute these three committees and elects the chairmen for these and in addition gives the task to the elected Committee chairmen to make a proposal for the composition of their respective committee.

**The CB decided:** To constitute the three standing committees.

Mr. Eriksson further proposed that the CB will for the upcoming four year period work with three ad hoc groups, in order to prepare the organisation for the IOC Short List application in 2015. Each ad hoc group is responsible for preparing a one day session for the CB once a year. The ad hoc groups are:

- Increasing International political influence
- Marketing and Media relations
- Development, Equality and spreading of Floorball

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In additions to this the Office will handle the following functions: Development function, Equality function, Information function, Marketing function, Material function and ParaFloorball function.

Mr. King felt that the functions didn't give us a possibility to make political and strategic discussions of how this will affect us in the coming five years. It makes sense to form the ad hoc groups to work in a more strategic way.

Mr. Suman agrees with Mr. King, that the CB should not discuss the reports in the CB meetings.

Mr. Liljelund expressed that the idea is that the ad hoc group shall prepare the one day sessions for the CB meetings.

Furthermore the constitution of the members shall be done by a per capsulam CB meeting by the 10<sup>th</sup> of January, based on the proposals of the committee/function chairman, which are to handed in by the 7<sup>th</sup> of January.

**The CB decided:** To work with the ad hoc groups for the coming mandate period, to give the office the tasks to run the operational work through the functions and to ask the Committee chairman's to propose the composition of their committee for the IFF CB meeting per capsulam on the 10<sup>th</sup> of January.

Mr. Eriksson further proposes to elect the following chairman's for the IFF Committees and CB Ad hoc groups. The secretary general will appoint the officer in charge from the office side until the 10<sup>th</sup> of January.

|                                  |                    |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|
| Referee Committee:               | Mr. Klaus Koskela  |
| Rules and Competition Committee: | Mr. Martin Wolmhed |
| Medical Committee:               | Mr. Walter O. Frey |

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|--------------------------------------|---------------------|
| International Influence:             | Mr. Stephen King    |
| Marketing and Media:                 | Mr. Filip Suman     |
| Development, Equality and Spreading: | Mr. Risto Kauppinen |

In addition Mr. Eriksson proposes that Mr. Daniel Bollinger will act as the IFF CB representative in the IFF RC.

Mr. Suman felt quite assured that Mr. Wolmhed will handle the RACC very well and stressed that it is very important to have a strong presence of the IFF CB in the Referee Committee. Therefore Mr. Bollingers position should be very strong in the RC.

Mr. King asked how it would work if Mr. Bollinger would lead the RC.

Mr. Eriksson informed that it didn't work when the IFF CB had a link-man in the CB and it didn't really work either. The role of the CB representatives is to see that the activity of the RC is in line with the strategy set by the IFF General Assembly and the CB.

Mr. Liljelund informed how the RC has been working before.

Mr. Wolmhed asked how Mr. Bollinger feels about the proposal and how he sees to deal with the organisation of the RC, if he would be elected.

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Mr. Bollinger felt that the split of the operational and strategical part

between Mr. Koskela and himself has to be clearly defined.

Mr. Suman explained how the RACC had worked and that it was the Chairman who dealt with the operational questions, when the committee worked more on the strategical issues in their meetings.

Mr. King felt that it would be up for Mr. Bollinger and Mr. Koskela to agree upon how they divide the tasks.

Mr. Kauppinen thinks that the proposal of Mr. Eriksson is worth to try. Mr. Koskela has vast experience of working with the Finnish CB decisions and put them to action in the Finnish RC. The new proposal is much better, since the CB representative is bringing the IFF CB wish to the RC table.

**The CB decided:** To constitute the three standing committees, elect Mr. Martin Wolmhed as chairman of the RACC, Mr. Klaus Koskela as chairman of the RC and Dr. Walter O. Frey as the chairman of the MC. Mr. Daniel Bollinger was elected as the CB representative in the RC and Mr. Eriksson and Mr. Bollinger was given the task to together with Mr. Koskela to make a proposal how to organise the work of the RC.

## § 10. Next meeting

Mr. Eriksson informed that the next CB meeting will be held in Sweden during the week-end of 9<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> of March. The preliminary plan for 2013, looks like this:

- 10.01. Per Capsulam meeting to constitute the IFF Committees
- 09. - 10.03. First CB meeting and seminar in Stockholm, Sweden
- 11. - 12.05. CB meeting in connection to the U19 WFC in Hamburg, Germany
- 31.8. - 01.09. CB meeting in Finland
- 12. - 14.12. CB meeting in connection to the WFC 2013 in Brno & Ostrava, Czech Republic  
- Associations meeting

Mr. Stoll informed that he will not be in position to participate in the meeting on the 11<sup>th</sup> of May and Mr. Bollinger has the Swiss Cup Finals on the 9<sup>th</sup> of March.

Mr. Eriksson said that he will look upon these issues in beginning of January.

**The CB decided:** To approve the meeting schedule.

## § 11. Closing of the meeting

Mr. Eriksson thanked the CB members for an efficient meeting and closed the meeting at 11.20.

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