



INTERNATIONAL FLOORBALL FEDERATION (IFF)

Ordinary member of AGFIS/GAISF

MINUTES IFF GENERAL ASSEMBLY 13.12 2008

Place: Clarion Congress Hotel, Prague, Czech Republic

Participants: According to enclosure 12

§ 1 Opening of the General Assembly by IFF President Mr. Tomas Eriksson

Tomas Eriksson opened the General Assembly and greeted all the participants welcome to the IFF General Assembly in Prague, hoping that everyone is enjoying the ongoing WFC. Mr. Eriksson informed with great pleasure that the IFF on Friday 12.12 received the recognition of the International Olympic Committee granted by the IOC Executive Board.

Mr. Eriksson thanked the CB and especially the ExCo, Mr. Orlando and Mr. Liljelund, for their efforts and all member Associations for their great work nationally.

Mr. Eriksson thanked the Finnish Floorball Federation for hosting the IFF office, the Swiss Floorball Association for financial support in the field of development and also the Swedish Floorball Federation for the support with the office 1996-2005.

IFF has today got 48 members.

Mr. Eriksson further introduced the IFF vice president Mr. Renato Orlando and the IFF secretary general Mr. John Liljelund.

§ 2 Approval of present Associations and the voting roll

Mr. Liljelund conducted the roll call and the following member associations were present;

Ordinary members: Australia, Austria, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Great Britain, Hungary, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and USA.

Provisional members: France, Iceland, Korea, Serbia, Slovenia, Turkey and Ukraine.

Other delegates: Canada, Mongolia, Pakistan, Russia and Singapore

Observers: Belarus

The General Assembly noted that 20 ordinary and 7 provisional member Associations were present and that for a simple majority 11 votes are needed and 14 votes are needed for a 2/3 majority.

The General Assembly decided, that the voting roll was 20 ordinary members and that 14 votes are needed for a 2/3 majority.

§ 3 Election of two scrutineers of the General Assembly

Mr. Eriksson proposed to elect as scrutineers Ms. Tanja Teichgräber of the German Floorball Association and Mr. Jan Erik Paris of the United States Floorball Association, which was approved by the General Assembly.

The General Assembly decided accordingly to elect Ms. Tanja Teichgräber of the German Floorball Association and Mr. Jan Erik Paris of the United States Floorball Association to act as scrutineers.

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§ 4 Approval of the agenda

The CB proposes to approve the proposed Agenda for the IFF General Assembly.

The General Assembly decided to approve the agenda for the IFF General Assembly.

§ 5 Approval of the protocol of the last Congress in the case of article 33 paragraph 3

The General Assembly noted that the protocol from the last Congress has not been opposed to and is therefore automatically approved according to the statutes (IFF Statutes article 34 paragraph 3).

§ 6 Admission or expulsion of official member Associations

Mr. Liljelund informed that France, Korea and Liechtenstein have applied for ordinary membership in writing. The CB proposes according to Article 13 paragraph 3, that they would be approved by the General Assembly to become ordinary members.

The General Assembly decided unanimously to approve France, Korea and Liechtenstein as ordinary members.

Mr. Liljelund continued and informed that the CB has decided to propose that the following provisional members are automatically considered ordinary members, since they have been provisional for at least four years and have not yet applied for ordinary membership. These associations are: Georgia, Iceland, Pakistan, and Slovenia, according to IFF Statutes, Article 13 paragraph 3.

The General Assembly decided to grant ordinary membership to Georgia, Iceland, Pakistan, and Slovenia.

The General Assembly decided to update the voting roll now to be 24 ordinary and 3 provisional member Associations and that a simple majority is 13 votes and a 2/3 majority requires 16 votes.

§ 7 Approval of the CB report (enclosure 1)

Mr. Eriksson made a short resume from the plan of action decided upon in Stockholm for the period 2006-2008.

The IFF has continued during the last two years to work with smaller committees and functions consisting of a few persons from both inside and outside the IFF Central Board.

Among other things Mr. Eriksson mentioned the following key milestones:

- The IOC Recognition and application process
- 10 Development Seminars, development projects and material support
- Office staff has increased from three to five employees
- Building the events with the same look and feeling and an extensive TV visibility
- New educational materials has been produced
- The change of the International Competition Calendar and the Competition System for IFF Events
- New Internet site in March 2006 and the On-line Statistical Match programme May 2007
- 11 new member associations has joined the IFF during the period

Mr. Eriksson asked the General Assembly to approve the Annual Report 2006 – 2008.

The General Assembly decided to approve the Annual report 2006 – 2008.

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§ 8 Approval of the financial report and the auditors report

Calendar years 2006 and 2007 (enclosure 2-5)

The treasurer Mr. Tomas Jonsson presented the Balance sheet and Statement of income for 2006 and 2007. The IFF made a surplus of 76.900 CHF in 2006 and a surplus of 24.600 CHF in 2007.

The equity of IFF is positive, but still not sufficient to run the operations for one year.

Mr. Jonsson asked if the IFF General Assembly had any questions regarding the finances

Mr. Eriksson proposed the General Assembly to approve the financial reports of 2006 and 2007

The General Assembly decided to approve the financial report for 2006 and 2007.

The Auditor Mr. Mikael Brandstam presented the Auditors report for 2006 and 2007 (**enclosure 3 and enclosure 5**) and informed that the annual accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Annual Accounts Act and, thereby, gives a true and fair view of the IFF's financial position and results of operations in accordance with generally agreed accounting principles in accordance to IAS.

Mr. Eriksson proposed the General Assembly to approve the auditors report for 2006 and 2007.

The General Assembly decided to approve the auditors report for 2006 and 2007.

§ 9 Decision on freedom of responsibility for the CB

The Auditor Mr. Mikael Brandstam recommended to the IFF General Assembly that the IFF Central Board and secretary general shall be discharged from liability for the financial years 2006 and 2007.

Mr. Eriksson asked if the General Assembly can grant freedom of responsibility for the CB and secretary general.

The General Assembly decided to grant the Central Board and the secretary general freedom of responsibility for 2006 and 2007. It was noted that that none were against.

§ 10 Decision on membership fee

The IFF Central Board proposes not to change the membership fees for the years 2009 and 2010.

The General Assembly decided not to change the membership fees for the period 2009-2010.

§ 11 Approval of the budget and working plan for the next two years

a) IFF Strategic vision 2009-2020 (enclosure 6 a-b)

Mr. Eriksson gave an introduction to the background of the IFF Strategic vision and thereafter left the floor to Mr. Orlando and Mr. Liljelund who chapter by chapter informed of the contents.

The General Assembly decided to approve the IFF Strategic Vision for the period 2009-2020.

b) Plan of action for the period 2008-2010 (enclosure 7)

Mr. Eriksson gave the word to Mr. Orlando to present the plan of action for the period between the General Assemblies 2008 and 2010.

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Mr. Orlando briefly went through the proposal focusing on development and the development seminars. The limitations are set by the financials not the willingness to develop.

The competition calendar will be evaluated. The office need to grow more in number of staff. The committees and functions has been discussed

Mr. Liljelund continued with the World University Championships, the IFF Competitions, Development Board, the Floorball Village at ISPO, the Information function with info letters and the plans for the IFF Web magazine, Development including a multilingual Coaching DVD and the Anti-Doping work.

Mr. Eriksson asked if the General Assembly could approve the plan of action for 2009 and 2010.

The General Assembly decided to approve the plan of action for the period 2009-2010.

b) Budget for the calendar years 2009 and 2010 (enclosure 8)

Mr. Liljelund presented the budget for 2009 and 2010, explaining that there is a need to put up more funds for the Administration, the Development and Marketing/TV.

Mr. Eriksson asked if the General Assembly could approve the budget for 2009 and 2010.

The General Assembly decided to approve the budget for 2009 and 2010.

§ 12 Elections (enclosure 9)

IFF President for two years

Mr. Eriksson gave the word to the IFF Vice President Mr. Renato Orlando, who informed that the only nomination for President is Mr. Tomas Eriksson, the present IFF President.

Mr. Renato Orlando proposed that the General Assembly would re-elect Mr. Tomas Eriksson as President of IFF for 2008-2010.

The General Assembly decided, unanimously, to re-elect Mr. Tomas Eriksson as IFF President for two years.

Mr. Eriksson thanked the General Assembly for the support given to him.

Six CB members for two years

Mr. Eriksson informed that there are 9 candidates as members of the Central Board.

As for the procedures Mr. Eriksson proposed that each candidate should be given two minutes to introduce themselves before the election.

The General Assembly decided accordingly.

The candidates presented themselves in alphabetical order; Hans Botman, Netherlands (new), Marek Budzinski, Poland (new), William Ehmsen, Denmark (new), Per Jansson, Sweden (re-election), Tomas Jonsson, Norway (re-election), Risto Kauppinen, Finland (re-election), Stephen King, Australia (new), Renato Orlando, Switzerland (re-election), Filip Suman, Czech Republic (re-election).

Mr. Eriksson proposed a closed ballot since there are 9 candidates for 6 positions.

The General Assembly decided accordingly.

Before the counting of votes Mr. Eriksson thanked, with a small gift, the resigning IFF Central Board member Mrs. Mona Aagaard, Denmark (2006-2008) for her performance during her period in the IFF CB.

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Mr. Liljelund went through the election process and how the election will take place.

The meeting was adjourned for the counting of the votes:

The scrutineers counted the votes and the following persons, in alphabetical order, were elected

Hans Botman, Netherlands (new)	14 votes
Per Jansson, Sweden (re-election)	16 votes
Risto Kauppinen, Finland (re-election)	16 votes
Stephen King, Australia (new)	19 votes
Renato Orlando, Switzerland (re-election)	19 votes
Filip Suman, Czech Republic (re-election)	21 votes

The following candidates were not elected:

Tomas Jonsson, Norway (re-election)	12 votes
Marek Budzinski, Poland (new)	6 votes
William Ehmsen, Denmark (new)	5 votes

Chairman and two members of the Disciplinary Committee

Mr. Eriksson informed of the candidates as chairman respective members to the IFF Disciplinary Committee.

The General Assembly decided to elect Mr. Ismo Haaponiemi, Finland (new) as chairman and Mr. Rudolf Buri, Switzerland (re-election) and Mr. Tomas Vaculik, Czech Republic (new) as members of the IFF Disciplinary Committee.

As substitutes the General Assembly elected Mr. Jānis Kārklins, Latvia and Mr. Rainer Martiskin, Australia.

Chairman and two members of the Appeal Committee

Mr. Eriksson informed of the candidates as chairman respective members to the IFF Appeal Committee.

The General Assembly decided to elect Mr. Lars Granqvist, Sweden as Chairman (re-election) and Mr. Tom Hedkrok, Finland (re-election) and Mr. Kjell Hovland-Olsen, Norway, (re-election) as members.

As substitutes the General Assembly elected Mr. Ilja Clabbers, Netherlands and Mr. Gints Silins, Latvia.

§ 13 Appointment of a chartered auditor

Mr. Eriksson informed that the IFF CB proposes re-election of the present auditor Mr. Mikael Brandstam.

The General Assembly decided to re-elect Mr. Mikael Brandstam as auditor of IFF for two years.

§ 14 Examinations and decisions on proposals and motions of the members

a) *IFF License system for participation in IFF Events (enclosure 10)*

Mr. Orlando presented the CB proposal on the IFF License system.

The General Assembly decided to approve the IFF License system for participation in IFF Events

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b) IFF Anti Doping regulations (enclosure 11)

Mr. Liljelund presented the CB proposal of the IFF Anti-Doping Regulations.

The General Assembly decided to approve the IFF Anti Doping regulation.

§ 15 Approval of Regulations within the meaning of article 15 paragraph 2 littera c)

The General Assembly noted that there are no objections against any regulations.

§ 16 Decision on all affairs being reserved for the General Assembly by the statutes or by law

The General Assembly noted that there are no affairs being reserved for the General Assembly by the statutes or by law not already treated in other paragraphs

§ 17 Appointment to be honorary member

The General Assembly noted that there is no proposal on honorary membership.

§ 18 Modification of the statutes (changes in statutes a 2/3 majority is needed)

The General Assembly noted that there is no proposal on changing the IFF statutes.

§ 19 Decision on the meeting place for the next General Assembly

Mr. Eriksson informed that the IFF CB proposes that the next General Assembly shall preliminary be held on the 11.12.2010 at 10:00, during the WFC 2010 in Helsinki, Finland.

The General Assembly decided accordingly to have the next General Assembly during the WFC 2010.

§ 20 Presentations on coming World Floorball Championships

The General Assembly continued with presentations on the upcoming WFC's in 2009 - 2010.

- WFC 2009 men U19 in Finland by SSBL

Mrs. Mervi Kilpikoski, secretary general LOC, presented the Men's U19 World Championships 2009, to be played in Finland in May 6 - 10, 2009.

- WFC 2009 women in Sweden by SIBF

Mr. Magnus Nilsson, CB member SIBF and Mr. Dan Berger, secretary general LOC, presented the Women's World Championships 2009, to be played in Sweden December 5 - 13, 2009.

- WFC 2010 women U19 in Czech Republic by CFbU

Mr. Filip Suman, President of CFBU presented the women's U19 World Championships 2010, to be played in the Czech Republic May 3 - 9, 2010.

- WFC 2010 men in Finland by SSBL

Mrs. Mervi Kilpikoski presented the Men's World Championships 2010, to be played in Finland in December 4 - 12, 2010.

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§ 21 Closing of the General Assembly

Mr. Eriksson thanked the participants for their efficient work during the General Assembly and declared the General Assembly as closed at 13:12

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