

2011

**WSA GA Campo de Felice, Italy**

Date : 28.08.2010 Opening : 14.15

### **Topic 1**

Mr. Nordlof welcomed the delegates of the member countries and the guests to the meeting. The president of the IFSS, Mr. Ferryl was invited to attend the meeting, unfortunately he could not come and asks to be excused. He wishes the members and guests a nice meeting.

### **Topic 2**

Acceptance of invitation and agenda as per WSA Statutes. The secretary was requested to report the minutes of summer 2009 and winter 2010 in Oberwiesenthal . The secretary reported that there was no record made of the winter GA in February 2010. There will be voted by the Statutes of 2001 because study's had shown that the newly adopted statutes were never filed in court in Aachen, Germany. Because of this only the statutes of 2001 are valid.

### **Topic 3**

Count of votes and delegates. Present delegates with votes : Germany (5 votes) , Suisse (3 votes), Russian (1 vote), Netherlands (1 vote), France (2 votes) Poland (2 votes), Austria (1 vote), Sweden (2 votes) and last but not least Italy (2 votes) Board votes : president (1 vote), the vice-president (1 vote) and the sport-director (1 vote). In total 22 votes.

### **Topic 4**

The General Assembly heard the yearly reports from the board

Chairman's report:

The president told in his report that he was very much in contact with the IFSS in the last autumn for the race in Norway and that he thinks it would be the best to find a way be together with the IFSS and he hopes to find

a way together - with one race reglement.

Vice -Chairman's report:

The vice Chairman was also talking about how important it is to work together with the IFSS. He thought if the WSA does not want to work together with IFSS this would be the perfect chance for the FISTC and this would be a step back and not forward for WSA.

Secretary's report:

At first the secretary told about the doping controls in Oberwiesenthal. She told that the doping controls were paid by the organizers of Oberwiesenthal and that 13 persons were tested. One person had to be warned by the race marshal to work WSA GA 2010 2 on the test. There were 12 tests negative and one test tested positive. The reason was a dog how gets medication for epilepsie. This medication is on the banned list. This participant was disqualified in Oberwiesenthal but in these days there are several ways to go in a positive doping result. After checking the pro and contras the board decided that this musher is allowed to participate in the European Championship in Campo de Felice 2011. The second part of report from secretary was focusing the new transporting rule of the European Union. She told that the ESDRA is working very hard to change this rule. The Secretary works personally very hard for the reversal of this rule. Netherlands gave information from the FCI in the Netherlands and told that it would be the best if all FCI kennel clubs of all European countries write a letter to the EU requires a different decision from that rule. The second week of September, the EU comes together again to talk about the rule. Each country is encouraged to write a letter to the EU to raise objections to the new regulations. The Secretary indicates that in the previous selections she have indicated that this would be her last term and that she presents herself not to be re-elected.

Treasurer's report:

The Treasurer is not present. The books are not verified. Christian Langer Switzerland and Roderick Glastra Netherlands are going to check the books. This agreement was accepted by the Assembly. The board is not yet exempted. This is only possible if the books are checked and everything is ok.

Sports Director's report:

Mr. Koelzow thanked the Organizer's of Oberwiesenthal for organizing the biggest Championships of the last years with 207 sprint mushers and 38 distance musher of 9 different nations. He said, in fact there was some problems with the space for such a mass of starters but at least all in all it was a well organized championship. The Fairness award was given to the German Musher Nino Bauer for helping another Musher on the Trail. For the next Year's the most important points to discuss he said, are:

The Modell of Start-Contingent for WSA Member Country's

The Modell for Eurocup

To get more Distance-Muhers

## **Topic 5**

Elections of the board for 2010 – 2013 After the question of secretary who want to be elected as Chairman, Arno Streichler take place and introduce himself as well as criticise the momentual situation of the WSA. He also read the list which persons he thinks who should be voted for several board positions and that he only would like one of the old board members in the new board which is Jacek Wlodarczyk. After hearing all Persons on the list from Arno Streichler introducing them selves, Michelle Menger told that Elio Ronconi presents himself to be re-elected. After Christian Langer as a guest was decided to control votes during the break, the voting starts The new elected Board is Chairman Arno Steichler Germany 3 no, 18 yes 1 abstention Vize-Chair Sandra Makkreel Netherlands 8 no, 14 yes 0 abstention WSA GA 2010 3 Treasurer Cindy van de Brink Netherlands 13 to Ellio Ronconi Zwitsterland 9 Secretary Manuela Petutschnig Austria 20 yes, 2 no 0 abstention Director Sports Markus Wehner 21 yes, 1 no 0 abstention

## **Topic 6**

Appointment of Technical Directors Sprint director Jacek Wlodarczyk Distance director Arno Steichler Public-Relations -Director blanc Veterinarian / anti-doping Dr. Karsten Hesse Controller Christian Langer (2 years) Roderick Glastra (1 year) Race judge-comitee Markus Wehner, Christian Langer, Roderick Glastra

## **Topic 7**

New membership applications In South Africa there are several clubs which wants to be a member of the WSA and the current South African team would be sleeping. Michelle Menger says that she will send all available data on this subject to the new board.. The Hungarian club disappeared and Michelle Menger told that she also will send all her existing data to the new board.

### **Topic 8**

Questions from the members and Motions. Netherlands began to read the submitted items. Once Austria indicates that they didn't received the agenda and no point it was decided that the new items can't be voted on.

### **Topic 9**

Can 't be voted as Topic 8 All present addresses of members was written down and will be checked by the new secretary, so that next time all the necessary documents with the statutes will be received by the members and topic 8 and 9 will be vote at the special GA in November.

### **Topic 10**

WSA Eurocup 2010 There is no Eurocup this year because to few countries presents there races to the sport director. The new sporting director will be asked to write to various organizations for their race to sign up for the Eurocup and find a new model for the Eurocup next year.

### **Topic 11**

Events scheduled for 2011 season A letter was read by the Italian delegates about the European Championships in Campo de Felice, furthermore all delegates received a demo DVD. The agreement between the WSA and Antarctica the Organizer of Campo de Felice had to be signed, the blank copy (already signed by the former president) was given to the new President. After checking the agreement the new board find many WSA GA 2010 4 irregularities and decided that the contract will be rewritten and signature will take place one week later. European Championship Middle Distance. There is an old debate within the board during the GA in February 2010 Norway was adopted or not.. It is assumed that no vote was taken. The new chairman will contact the IFSS about opportunities in Norway. Sweden reported that their is also a opportunity to run Middle Distance Championship in Sweden at the Swedish Championship. After checking the opportunities by new Chairman this will be voted at the special GA in November 2010.

### **Topic 12**

Application for future championships Michelle Menger told that 2012 France sign in for sprint and distance WM It will be organized by the FSST in Les Fourgs 1 week before or 1 week after the IFSS championship. 2013 has not been reported.

### **Topic 13**

Miscellaneous There is a question about who maintains the website. This was done by the previous treasurer Ellio Ronconi from Switzerland. The new board is looking at a redefinition of the site. In November 2010 a special General Assembly will be held. The new board is working hard to ensure that everything will be settled according to law.

End of meeting at 16.00.

Minutes: Manuela Petutschnig-Gruber, Secretary WSA

Signed: Arno Steichler, Chairman WSA