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Minutes WRRC Presidium meeting

Zoom Meeting, January 08, 2021, 18:00

Present: M. Kerpan Izak (MKI), K. Kis (KK), D. Lilih (DL), Marina Eskolin (ME), Patrice de la Torre

(PdT), Bartlomiej Kobylanski (BK), Marina Kalacheva (MKa)

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Minutes: K. Bosnar, MKI

1. Minutes of the last Presidium meeting:

The minutes from the last online Presidium meeting on November 01, 2020 were accepted

2. WRRC GENERAL MEETING 2021

According to the WRRC Statutes, the General Meeting should take place once a year on the second weekend in March. Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and traveling restrictions in it very clear, that it will be not possible to organize the live meeting until March. All Presidium members were in favor of postponing the GM 2021 for a later time of the year, and organizing the live meeting.

(274) WRRC General Meeting will take place on September 11-12, 2021. The place is yet to be determined, and it should be easily accessible by plane for all WRRC members, in some of the major cities of central Europe. All members are welcome to send their applications for the organization. WRRC will support the organization of the General Meeting. WRRC office will prepare the form for the application.

3. Online World Cup 2020

The Online World Cup 2020 Series was a very successful project, with the last competition to be aired on 06.02.2021. The OWC series opened in many countries the possibility to apply for special conditions and exemptions of the lock-down measures, allowing the couples and formations to train and prepare for the competitions.

Between the two meetings, the Presidium decided to postpone the final competition of the Online World Cup 2020 on 06.02.2021, due to the strengthening of the COVID-19 lockdowns in many countries.

(274) WRRC Presidium will decide about the possible next series of the Online World Cup 2021 at the next Presidium meeting, after having analyzed all aspects of the previous online competitions (organization, budget, benefits for all participants, eventual modification of the format etc.).



(275) Registration fees paid for dancers who did not participate on the Online World Cup 2020 series, including the last postponed competition in February 2021, will be carried over to the year 2021.

ADDITIONAL:

After the Presidium meeting, on 25.01.2021 WRRC Presidium decided in electronic conference to further postpone the last competition, and give the chance to more couples to prepare their videos, taking into account the ongoing locdowns:

(274) The last Online World Cup competition will take place on 20.02.2021, for the following categories: RR JUN, RR MCCS, RR MCFS, RR CDS, RR FL (Code name: CAIRO).

4. Provisional budget 2021

The sponsorship contract with the company SAP will not be extended anymore. Therefore the only income of the WRRC will be reduced to the regular fees (membership fees, competition fees, registrations). Also the eventual Online World Cup competitions must be included in the budget.

- (275) The Preliminary budget will be decided at the next Presidium meeting, based on the final planings for 2021 (online and live competitions, seminars, education projects, expansion projects).
- (276) Presidium decided to give humanitarian aid in a total of 1.000 EUR to the young dancers from Ukraine, Doroshko Egor (10 years old), Doroshko Karina (13 years old) and Antonov Zakhar (14 years old) winners of the World Cup Final 2018, European Champions 2019, who were involved in the terrible car accident at the beginning of December.
- (277) Presidium decided to give humanitarian aid in a total of 1.000 EUR to Ana Silaj and Alen Mikić from Croatia, former WRRC Junior World Champions, whose homes were destroyed in a catastrophic earthquake that devastated their hometown of Petrinja on 29.12.2020.

5. Expansion, Marketing, Education

5.1. Interrock 2021

Due to the uncertain situation with the COVID-19, the Presidium discussed all possible options. It is unclear if such a big camp could be organized. One of the solutions could be to reallocate the budget for Interrock and organize a smaller competition and connected with it eventually a sport-camp of a smaller scale. KK will prepare the proposal for the next PM.

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5.2. Education modules

During last year it was impossible to prepare the modules as planned, because of the traveling restrictions in force due to the COVID-19. Since this situation will not be changing so soon, KK proposed to take a different approach, and ask different coaches to participate in a new project. The Education commission would assign them different topics on which they should record the videos. The material will be used for the online seminars for coaches, and later edited as educational modules. In this way, we will have in one module different approaches to the same topic by several schools. The project would be financed from the Education budget. KK, BK and MKa will prepare details and coordinate the work on the projects

5.3. Judging seminars

Presidium confirmed the dates for the RR and BW Judign seminars in March:

(278) Rock'n'Roll Judging seminar will take place online (ZOOM) during the weekend of 13/14.03.2021:

- 13.03.2021: seminar for new candidates for WRRC International Judges.
 The examination will follow one week later.
- 14.03.2021: Seminar for existing WRRC Judges, who want to refresh their knowledge and extend their licenses.
- (279) Boogie Woogie Judging seminar will take place online (ZOOM) on 21.03.2021.

5.4. Media and Marketing

MKa presented the situation with the WRRC social media. During last year we doubled the numbers in reach, likes and shares, and showed stable growth in the number of followers on both media. The statistics shows very well that the planned posts which are posted not chaotically but in the right time and on the right day (we already know the time intervals which work better) are performed much better than quick publications (unless these are urgent messages).

In 2020 we managed to organize competitions without music rights clearance but this topic is not closed. We still face problems with blocks on FB, YouTube, IG. At the end of 2020, we had one more call with Click and Clear and they proposed to educate our audience by cross posts and other articles (they are doing same with the WDSF now), so we will cooperate on this matter this year in social media.

6. New membership application - Malta

WRRC Presidium received the membership application from Malta Rock'n'Roll Association. After many unsuccessful attempts to connect them with the WDSF member from Malta, the Presidium decided to grant temporary approval of membership until the next General Meeting:

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(280) Malta Rock'n'Roll Association is accepted as a temporary member of the WRRC. Based on their activities until the next General Meeting in September 2021, the Presidium will propose to the WRRC General Meeting to decide about their membership status in the WRRC.

7. Any other item

Next Presidium Meeting will take place online, on 12.02.2021, at 18:00.

The President thanked all members and closed the meeting at 20:15.

Minutes:

WRRC Office Kresimir Bosnar Approved:

WRRC President
Miriam/Kerpan Izak

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