



## **Minutes: WRRC Presidium meeting**

Ljubljana, October 15, 2023

Present: M. Kerpan Izak (MKI), D. Lilih (DL), Marina Eskolin (ME), Katalin Kis (KK), Patrice de la Torre (PdT), Edilio Pagano (EP), Bartłomiej Kobylanski (BK)

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### **1. Minutes from the last Presidium Meeting**

All decisions have been implemented or are in the process of implementation.

The topics which have not been finished yet, will be discussed on the next meeting.

Decision (89) – the organizer from Switzerland withdrew the competition application.

### **2. Competitions**

The Presidium discussed about the events in 2023 to improve the organization of the events and clarify some uncertainty.

We analyzed the event which took place on Saturday 14.10.2023 in Ljubljana, especially the length of each heat. Unnecessary time is spent on positioning the starting numbers and also by girls/ladies formations because of their additional moves when entering the stage.

MKI exposed the fact that almost 30% of diplomas have (again) not been collected. She questioned the need of paper diploma.

- (95) Printed starting numbers are not required anymore on WRRC competitions. Each participant is responsible for checking the dancing position on the stage before the heat starts. Valid at once!**
- (96) Printed diplomas for all participants are not required anymore on WRRC competitions. Each organizer is responsible to create an electronic template to be used for dancers who want to print their diplomas. Valid from 01.01.2024**
- (97) The Presidium appoints the WRRC Sport Commission to find a solution about time time-consuming entrance on the stage by formations. Deadline – 31.12.2023**
- (98) World Cup final – conditions for participation**
  - **The valid rules from World Cup Final regulations (§2) will apply** (Top 20 + 2 per nation from WCFinal ranking – max 8 per country)
  - **The WC Final ranking will be closed after the competition in Yerevan, Armenia.**
  - **The same flow of the event will be used as in 2022, including the mixed KO rounds for the top places RR Main Class Free Style and Boogie Woogie Main Class**
- (99) World Championship RR formations main class (Master formations)**
  - **WRRC Office will send a question to all national federations about the number of planned formations for the WCh Deadline for answer is 27.10.2023**

- **The Championship will be organized if there will be at least 3 formations planned to participate. All members will be informed latest on November 1, 2023.**

**(100) The Presidium generally approved the following competition applications.**

- World Cup Boogie Woogie all categories - 6.4.2024 – Sweden – Kumla
- WCh RR MC Free Style + Ladies Formations, WC Girl Formations - 24.11.2024 - Czech Republic – Prague
- World Ch. RR MCFS, RR LF, World Cup RR MCCS, RR GF -25.11.2025 –Austria – Graz

The Presidium discussed about the competition calendar for 2024. Additional competition applications are expected.

For all couple categories the best combination of events would be 2 World Cups + ECh in the spring, 2 World Cups + World Ch + WC final in the autumn.

The plan is to introduce some fixed event days for 2025.

It is necessary to find a correct balance between sportive performance and the financial success of the event as well as between the number of organized categories and the time requested to manage all of them. It is important that everyone understands that when we dropped the rounds with 5 couples on stage all the events became longer!

The details will be discussed on the next meeting.

**(101) The national federations and organizers should send the competition applications as soon as possible.**

**(102) The presidium will discuss the details about the structure of competition calendar and topics related to it on the next meeting.**

### 3. Finance

ME presented the current financial situation and explained there are no outstanding points. ME sent a revised tax report to Swiss authorities. We haven't received any feedback until now.

BK presented a financial calculation that would enable us to support our Main Class couples (RR and BW) to increase the number of participating countries on WRRC events.

An extended discussion followed.

**(103) The Presidium will propose a Change for the Fee Scale for the competitions in 2024 aiming to collect funds for RR Main Class Free Style and Boogie Woogie Main Class to motivate couples from different countries to participate on the WRRC events.**

**The details will be discussed on the next meeting.**

**(104) The presidium will review the tournament Fees for categories with low number of participants.**

### 4. WDSF

The Presidium discussed again about our cooperation with WDSF, the benefits and the obligations. We need to be sure as a federation what direction we want to take in the future.

The cooperation with WDSF will be a part of a forum discussion on the GM.

Just after the presidium meeting, we were informed by WDSF that ITA (International Testing Agency) representative would like to make a presentation during the World Championship in Geneva. The same person would also like to answer questions and give support to anyone interested during the event.

The Presidium welcomes the idea, but the WCh is not the best location to do something like this, since the couples will be focused on their performance. No final solution has been found until the time of the preparation of the minutes.

## 5. Sport topics

### RULES

PdT presented the changed documents.

Redactional changes and clarifications were included. No rules have been changed.

**(105) The Presidium approved the updated documents to be published Online.**

### JUDGING

The Presidium discussed about challenges with scoring the dance part on RR competition. Several options for improvement were mentioned. Before making any decision, a good analysis should be done.

We have also mentioned other options for change and improvement, including the change of factors for individual scoring criteria, the number of clicks needed for RR juniors or CDS, aim and usage of bonus criteria, deductions for big mistakes...

Further analysis will follow before making any decision.

**(106) The Presidium appoints the judging commission to perform the following tasks:**

- Basic analytics by existing rules – deviation from the final score by each judge
  - Alternative result calculation by the total sum of each judge and not by individual scoring criteria
  - Alternative result calculation in the rounds with simplified judging
- Deadline: 31.12.2023

### COMMISSIONS

New commissions have been implemented after the GM decision in 2022. The Presidium members who function as chairs of individual commissions have encountered several problems:

- There is no clear border between the tasks of several commissions – e.g. Sport Commission, Judging Commission, Educational Commission, so it is not easy to decide who is responsible and authorized to handle a specific topic
- Many commission members are not active and/or not disposable for the commission meeting.
- Some commission members use the commissions to promote their individual ideas, without seeing the big picture.

**(107) The following will apply for the work of commissions:**

- Fixed dates for meetings will be planned at least 1 month in advance. The dates will be also announced on social media
- The inactive members will be changed after the GM 2024
- Each commission chair will include also the activity report of each commission member in the report for the GM 2024
- The commission chairs will distribute their tasks in cooperation with the WRRC Sports director.

## EDUCATION

The presidium members agreed that live seminars for judges are needed, since they bring much better experience to everyone.

The seminars must be focused on practice, on discussion about problems and challenges. All the participants should be active and responsible for their "test scorings". We need to use an appropriate tool to make sure everyone can enter the data required.

The lecturers have to prepare all the materials, quiz questions and other topics at least two weeks before the seminar, so we can test everything on time.

**(108) WRRC will organize 2 live seminars per year per discipline (2 RR and 2 BW)**

**(109) Additional short online seminars will be added about some specific topic,**

**(110) Dates of the live seminars (locations to be discussed)**

- January 13-14, 2024 RR seminar
- February 10-11, 2024 BW seminar
- March 2024 RR seminar – the date will be published by the end of October

KK presented the draft description of the education tool which will be soon published online.

## 6. The WRRC celebration year

The Presidium discussed different options how to make the 2024 a celebration year. We need to find a good balance for the officials and for the existing and former dancers.

**(111) WRRC celebration year 2024**

- The official celebration will be organized during the GM 2024.
- The potential organizer must provide additional hotel rooms for (invited) guests.
- A formal banquet with some celebration activities will be organized during the official dinner on Saturday. All activities must be coordinated with the WRRC
- The organizer doesn't need to cover the additional costs that will occur because of the celebration
- The celebration for »dancers« will be organized at the WCh 2024
- MKI and BK will prepare all details and present it to the Presidium latest by the end of November 2023.

## 7. Any other item

**Next live meeting is planned in January 2024.**

The President thanked all Presidium members and closed the meeting at 17:45.

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