

Minutes

IJOc Board meeting

Skype, 12 May 2020

Beginning 20:00 CET

Present: Willem Luiten Eric Straus (left earlier) Teodor Sheytanov
 Anna Lindqvist Kate Horgan (left earlier) Sharon Al Qauod
 Laura Van de Graaf Ali Kucuk

Excused: Charles Mauldin

1. Welcome and opening by President

Every board member presented what is Corona situation in his country and what are the perspectives for the sport.

2. Approval of the minutes

TS

The minutes from last BM were approved

3. Survey for IJOc members

LVS, AK, CM

The WG presented the proposal for survey with 10 questions. Most of the questions were connected with evaluation of the IJOc event in Prague and proposal for improvement. WL proposed to additional questions (up to 20 in total) to be added. These questions have to help Strategic Planning Group (SPG) in their process.

ES proposed SWG to analyze the results from the first survey and then second to be developed which will serve the needs of WG.

The board agreed the following: the first survey to be send to IJOc member who attended the in-person maintenance course and GA in Prague.

The second survey will be developed by SPG and will be sent to all IJOc members latter this year. Some general questions about the organization

of the GA could be included at this survey and also question did you attend event in Prague (if not Why not).

4. Online discussion groups

TS

TS explained the concept. Difference of IJOC discussion groups and all other similar activities is that we provide a dialog with institutions in our sport. We already contacted with EEF, AJO, IJRC and they support the idea.

The proposal with topics was distributed among the board members and there was discussion about some of the topics.

All members shared their comments and concerns about some of the proposed topics.

The proposal is to start with the first proposed topic and to invite Stephan Ellenbruch as chair of Jumping Committee.

After this first webinar we will evaluate the concept and make improvements if necessary. The webinars are used to promote our club as important stakeholder in equestrian sport.

The first webinar will be a pilot. After this pilot we like to increase the input of our members and give them the opportunity to send in questions.

TS is responsible for the organization of the first webinar.

5. New concept of IJOC maintenance course

WL

WL presented his new concept to change the format of IJOC courses:

Friday: cases studies session

Saturday session:

Starting with a plenary session as kick off with all participants in the main room. After this session participants can subscribe to a number of workshops where they can listen and discuss in smaller groups (max. 30) with an interesting presenter. There will be rotation and every participant will have the possibility to participate at every workshop.

We will close the Saturday with a plenary session in the main room with an interesting presenter. After this presentation there is an opportunity to

do the in person exams for the in person maintenance course for stewards and judges.

By organizing our event in this way, the event will become more interactive and more accessible for our members.

The board agreed WL to go forward and to develop the concept in details.

6. Organization of GA 2020, plan B

TS

TS explained the proposal for plan B IJOC seminar 2021 to be organized in Sofia.

The financial proposal for Plan B and comparison of the cost for organization of IJOC Seminars in Amsterdam 2019, Prague 2020 and Sofia 2021 was sent to the board before the meeting.

TS made an overview of the proposal. The board agrees that hotel offers facilities at very good price and is very cost-effective solution.

Even with more conference rooms which we need for the new concept of the seminar the overall cost is much lower than the other options.

The board agree that we have to work, and Sofia will become plan A.

Before to inform the members, the club has to send letter to ITA NF and to thank them and to keep the good cooperation in future.

TS have to check some additional conditions as: deadline of free cancelation of the hotel and venue

The board will work for organization of the in-person course if the health situation allows it. Otherwise we have to have plan for online seminar.

Date of seminar are 22-24 January 2021.

We decided to set a date for a go/nogo decision in our next board meeting.

7. Due the COVID 19 a lot of competitions have been cancelled. Income for our members is severely affected. The question was raised if we as club could compensate our members in a way of course taking our financial situation into account. Based on the fact that our annual membership fee is approved by the General Assembly we cannot do anything on the level of this fee without the approval of our GA. The suggestion was made to

look for compensation in the fee for the in person maintenance course 2021. Anna will work on a proposal.

8. In person maintenance course for Group B WL, ES
Deadline in December: letter was sent to FEI but so far there is no answer.
The topic will be raised at the next conversation with FEI representatives.
9. Mentors groups AK, ES

After a discussion about the role of IJOC at FEI official exchange program it was decided that topic to be in the agenda for the next BM

10.AOB

9.1. ES made a reference to the minutes of SPG and the idea to redefine the role and way of election and work of regional representatives. SPG formally proposed the board to resolve the current RR.
Because this is an important issue with big impact on the club, the board decided SPG to come with proposal how RR to be restructured and this will be at the agenda of the next BM.

9.2. The next BM will be on 9th June, Tuesday 8:00pm CET on Skype

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