



**INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF SPORTS MEDICINE
FÉDÉRATION INTERNATIONALE de MÉDECINE du SPORT
Council of Delegates
Rome, Italy – Friday, 28 September 2012**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTORY REMARKS – F. Pigozzi

ROLL CALL – L. Micheli

The following countries were officially represented in the meeting (listed in alphabetical order): Argentina, Australia, Austria, Barbados, Belgium, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cote d'Ivoire, Cyprus, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, France, FYROM, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Guatemala, Hong Kong, Hungary, Indonesia, Iran, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Jordan, Latvia, Malaysia, Malta, Mexico, Mongolia, Morocco, Netherlands, Nicaragua, Poland, Portugal, Puerto Rico, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Turkey, Ukraine, Uruguay, United States of America. TOTAL COUNTRIES: 58

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – L. Micheli

The agenda was approved as presented. The motion was made by Abdelmalek Sentissi and second by Costas Christodoulakis.

APPOINTMENT OF THE PARLIAMENTARIAN – F. Pigozzi

Prof. Pigozzi then presented Prof. Michael Geistlinger to be the legal advisor to the FIMS Council of Delegates.

The motion to appoint Prof. Michael Geistlinger as the legal advisor to FIMS Council of Delegates was made by Constant Roux and seconded by Costas Christodoulakis.

SELECTION OF ELECTION COMMITTEE – F. Pigozzi

The election committee for the vote of the 2016 World Congress was presented as Constant Roux from Cote d'Ivoire, Abdelmalek Sentissi from Morocco and Michael Kenihan from Australia. Constant Roux was named the committee chair.

The motion to create the election committee consisting of Constant Roux, Abdelmalek Sentissi and Michael Kenihan was made by Eduardo De Rose and seconded by Ana Cintron Rodriguez.

APPROVAL OF SALZBURG MINUTES – L. Micheli

The minutes from the meeting in Salzburg, Austria, 27 October 2011, were approved by the Council of Delegates. The motion was made by Jose Kawazoe Lazzoli and seconded by Konstantinos Natsis.

PRESIDENT REPORT – F. Pigozzi

Prof. Pigozzi started his report stating that there are 2,713 registered participants for this World Congress. For this Council of Delegates meeting, there are 58 countries and 5 continents represented. That number makes up for more than half of the Member National Associations of FIMS. The last time the Council of Delegates was in Salzburg in October 2011, a year ago. This meeting was called for as an Extraordinary Meeting for the review of the changes to the statutes and by-Laws of FIMS.

Prof. Pigozzi then updated the Council of Delegates on FIMS sponsors. The major sponsors currently are CreAgri, Inc, PharmaNutra, Merck Sharp & Dohme, and Boscosystemlab. There are still negotiations being made with Springboost since, at this point they have not fulfilled the duty that they agreed to. The FIMS legal advisor in Switzerland, Mtre. Carrard, has recommended to hold off until October then it will go to court if necessary.

Next was the presentation of the FIMS headquarters, located at the Maison du Sport International in Lausanne, Switzerland which opened in April 2012. Currently, FIMS is looking for a part time employee to sit in a the hour for a few hours a week. As a legal requirement, the office must be staffed for FIMS to receive the full benefit of the lease and also to be able to claim FIMS as a Swiss federation. The agreement is that a part-time administrator will be hired to begin on January 1, 2013. As many suggestions have been made, it is more appropriate for FIMS to stand by their word of hiring a part-time administrator.

Prof. Pigozzi then went on to speak about the registration in the commercial registry of the Canton de Vaud in Switzerland which will make money transfer easier for FIMS.

The next item was the Collaborating Centers of Sports Medicine. Prof. Pigozzi mentioned how there have been 4 completed applications received. With these applications and centers, is it important to stress the quality and evaluation for these applications being a professional organization.

Prof. Pigozzi mentioned the Team Physician Manual, 3rd edition, which will be printed in October. There was a bound copy for the FIMS Executive Committee members to look at today.

Another important publication was brought up which is the article discussing the use of glucocorticosteroids, entitled *Why glucocorticosteroids should remain in the list of prohibited substances: a sports medicine viewpoint*.

Prof. Pigozzi then gave a brief overview of the voting that will take place later in the meeting. There will be three countries to give presentations for the 2016 FIMS World Congress. The

World Congress is something relevant to bid for as it is always a competition. There is a big interest in the world of sports medicine to host this congress. This is a very demanding effort and it is a great satisfaction to see many people from countries and continents to have interest in this important event.

Next item of discussion from the report of the president was the ratio of FIMS Member National Associations to National Olympics Committees per continent which is 117/204. Prof. Pigozzi went on to explain how FIMS has not achieved of the golden standard in terms of MNA vs. NOC and how FIMS has to improve its relationship with Member National Associations.

Prof. Pigozzi then talked about a few events that FIMS participated in over the summer. First was the ICSEMIS pre-Olympic congress in Glasgow. This was a collaboration with the International Olympic Committee, International Paralympic Committee and International Council of Sport Science and Physical Education (ICSSPE). Also, FIMS was invited to participate in the opening ceremony of the IPC Games in London this summer. Prof. Pigozzi was there to represent FIMS.

Prof. Pigozzi briefly touched on the fact that negotiations are still being made with UNESCO and that there is not currently a representative from the organization on the Executive Committee of FIMS.

The last discussion by the president was that of the FIMS commissions. First, he thanked the chairpersons for their hard work. Next, he explained that a members from the Interfederal Commission, Heinz Gunter from FIBA, has retired from the commission and was replaced by Alain Lacoste from FISA.

SECRETARY GENERAL REPORT – L. Micheli

Prof. Micheli began his report with a brief discussion of the FIMS Team Physician Manual, 3rd edition. The 3rd edition was produced by a different publishing company than the first two editions. This new company is Routledge. This was a big undertaking because they had to start from scratch obtaining rights for the reproduction of images used in the first two editions. There is a bound copy here at the Routledge table and the final version will be produced in October.

Following that, Prof. Micheli stressed the importance of publications between the International SportsMed Journal and FIMSmail. All members, delegates and associations should be subscribed to these FIMS productions.

Next, Prof. Micheli brought up the Executive Committee's visit to see the pope the day before. There were pictures taken and there is a newspaper article circulating with the pope's address to the members in both Italian and English.

Finally, Prof. Micheli spoke about Dr. Jon Patricios from South Africa who applied for the advancement of FIMS Fellowship. His application was reviewed and he was approved at the Executive Committee meeting.

TREASURER REPORT – A. Debruyne

Next, Dr. Debruyne presented his treasurer overview. He explained that FIMS is using two banks at the moment; one in Belgium and one in Lausanne. He should the amount that FIMS has in euros, dollars and Swiss francs. He also showed the revenue for 2010-2011 and the projected revenue for 2012. Dr. Debruyne also announced that FIMS has between 2700-3700 block members.

Then, Dr. Debruyne briefly reiterated what Prof. Pigozzi had mentioned about the employee at the office in Lausanne. Dr. Debruyne stated that FIMS can only afford a part-time employee at this time. He also mentioned that having this part-time employee, assuming this will work out for the first of the year, this will give FIMS a break in the rent at the Maison du Sport.

A motion to approve the report of the treasurer was made by Eduardo De Rose and seconded by Norbert Bachl.

SELECTION OF THE HOST CITY FOR THE 2016 FIMS WORLD CONGRESS

Istanbul, Turkey

Presenters: Prof. Ermin Ergen, Prof. Bulent Ulkar and Muge Arbak from the location organizing committee, Dekon

Proposed date: July 2016

Notable detail: Already decided on location, conference center where everything is within walking distance (hotel and congress)

Comments: Prof. Pigozzi asked if they agree to host the Executive Committee and Council of Delegates members as stated in the contract. They responded that they will agree to meet the requirements set by the contract.

Kuching, Sarawak, Malaysia

Presenters: Dr. John George

Notable detail: Hoping to make the World Congress more international with participation from other countries and continents and not just European.

Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Presenters: Dr. Jose Kawazoe Lazzoli and Dr. Jomar Brito Souza

Proposed date: May 2016

Notable detail: Much experience planning mass participation events (Olympics, FIFA World Cup)

The voting processes started by Prof. Micheli explaining that each country would be called up one by one and one representative would vote. He proceeded to list the countries; ballots were folded and placed in a clear box. Once all 58 countries had voted, the election committee

members went through each ballot and tallied up all the votes. Prof. Pigozzi also spoke with a representative from each country.

Once the votes were tallied, the chair of the election committee, Constant Roux, announced that none of the bidding countries had received 50% of the votes, as necessary by the statutes and by-laws. He then called for a revote, removing the country with the lowest votes which was Malaysia. The delegates were left with two countries to vote for – Brazil or Turkey.

After much discussion, it was also pointed out that, as outlined in the statutes and by-laws of FIMS, that a proxy had to be a delegate for another country and could only be a proxy for one country. This was approved by the Council of Delegates legal advisor. After the votes were recounted by the election committee again, it was announced that Turkey had won this selection process 33 votes to 19.

AWARDS – F. PIGOZZI

While the votes were being tallied, the FIMS gold medal award was presented. After Prof. Pigozzi described the history of the FIMS gold medal, he presented this prestigious gold medal award to Dr. John Wesseling of the Netherlands. Dr. Wesseling reviewed his activities with FIMS and the FIMS Executive and his work on the history of FIMS. He expressed gratitude for receiving this prestigious award.

2014 FIMS WORLD CONGRESS – CASEM

To culminate the Council of Delegates meeting, the members from the Canadian Association of Sports and Exercise Medicine gave a brief overview of the 2014 World Congress in Quebec City including the preliminary program outline, venue location, hotel location and social activities.

The meeting was adjourned at 19.00 by Prof. Pigozzi and Prof. Micheli.

Respectfully submitted by Prof. Lyle J. Micheli, MD, Secretary General of FIMS.