



INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF SPORTS MEDICINE (FIMS)

Council of Delegates

San Juan (PUR), 20th May 2010

Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTORY REMARKS – W. Frontera

2. ROLL CALL – F. Pigozzi

The following countries were officially represented in the meeting (listed in alphabetical order):

Antigua, Australia, Austria, Barbados, Belgium, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, China, Colombia, Côte D'Ivoire, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, Estonia, FYROM, France, Germany, Great Britain, Greece, Grenada, Guatemala, Haiti, Hong Kong, Iran, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Latvia, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Mali, Malta, Mexico, Morocco, The Netherlands, Nigeria, Poland, Portugal, Puerto Rico, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Sweden, Turkey, United States, Republica del Uruguay, West Indies. **TOT. COUNTRIES: 57**

3. APPOINTMENT OF THE PARLIAMENTARIAN – W. Frontera

President Frontera proposed the Council to appoint as Parliamentarian the FIMS Honorary President Prof. Eduardo H. De Rose. The Council unanimously agreed.

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA – F. Pigozzi

It was approved the agenda as presented.

5. MINUTES- Barcelona (ESP), 20th November 2008 – F. Pigozzi

The minutes of the meeting of the Council of Delegates held in Barcelona were approved by the Council of Delegates as presented.

6. REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT - W. Frontera

The President declared to have already summarized the work of the last two years during the Opening Ceremony giving the floor to the Treasurer.

7. REPORT OF THE TREASURER – A. Debruyne

Approval of the Biannual budget 2008-2010

The Treasurer updated the meeting on the financial situation and communicated the list of the FIMS member countries that settled their payments. Then, he presented the financial situation, whose balance of account was of 158.746,07 USD subdivided as follows:

- Current Account EUR 4.820,24 (equivalent to USD 6557,45)
- Current Account USD 80.693,24
- Forward Account USD 71.495,38

It was also reported that FIMS sponsor Celadrin already paid the first half 2010 sponsorship and Springboost paid the full sponsorship for the current year. The Treasurer made also a short report on the possible development of the FIMS WEB site management and optimization of its costs .

8. APPLICATIONS OF WAITING MEMBERS – F. Pigozzi

The Sport Medicine National Association of Mozambique application was presented and unanimously accepted.

9. ELECTION OF THE NEW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – W. Frontera

President Frontera introduced the final list of the candidates after the drop out of the candidatures of Constant Roux as Vice-President and of Hans Hermann Dickhuth and Evagoras Nicolairides as Members as follows:

POSITION	NAME	COUNTRY	ASSOCIATION
President	Fabio Pigozzi	ITALY	Federazione Medico Sportiva Italiana
Secretary General	Lyle J. Micheli	UNITED STATES	American College of Sports Medicine
Treasurer	André Debruyne	BELGIUM	Belgian Federation of Sports Medicine
Vice-President	Norbert Bachl	AUSTRIA	Austrian Sports Medicine Association
Vice-President	Guoping Li	CHINA	Chinese Association of Sports Medicine
Vice-President	Abdelmalek Sentissi	CÔTE D'IVOIRE	Asociation Ivorienne de Medicine Sportive
Vice-President	Milton Pinedo	DOMINICAN REP.	Sociedad Dominicane de Medicina del Deporte
Member	Michael Kenihan	AUSTRALIA	Sports Medicine Australia SMA
Member	José Kawazoe Lazzoli	BRAZIL	Sociedade Brasileira de Medicina do Esporte
Member	Sayed Hussien Khashaba	EGYPT	Egypt Sports Medicine Association
Member	Konstantinos Natsis	GREECE	Sports Medicine Association of Greece
Member	Rafael Augusto Robles C.	GUATEMALA	Asociación Guatemalteca de Medicina Deportiva
Member	Yung Shu Hang Patrick	HONG KONG SAR	Hong Kong Association of Sports Medicine and Sports Science
Member	Talia Alienabi	IRAN	Iran Sports Medicine Federation
Member	Joseph Cummiskey	IRELAND	Faculty of Sports and Exercise Medicine

According to the FIMS Statutes which states should a candidate is running unopposed for the office of President, Secretary General or Treasurer, the election to that office may be accomplished by the Council's approval of a motion from the floor, President Frontera presented for approval the only Candidate for the office of President, Prof. Fabio Pigozzi. The Council unanimously accepted. Then Prof. Pigozzi gave a short speech. Similarly, the elections of Prof. Lyle Micheli as Secretary General and Dr. André Debruyne as Treasurer took place. As there were only four nominations for the offices of the Vice Presidents, the election accomplished by approval of a motion from the floor with the elections of Norbert Bachl as First Vice President, Abdelmelek Sentissi as Second Vice President, Guoping Li as Third Vice President, and Milton Pinedo as Fourth Vice President.

With respect to the Candidates for the position of Member, as Australia, America and Asia had not a number of Candidates exceeding their posts, the Council unanimously approved the motion of the election of Michael Kenihan, José Kawazoe Lazzoli, Rafael Augusto Robles C., Patrick Yung Shu Hang, Talia Alienabi.

Prior to the election of the candidates from Europe (2 posts) and Africa (1 post), three Auditors were nominated from the Delegates of the Council of Delegates to receive and count the ballots as follows: Adrian Lorde, Mario Zorzoli and Moussa Guindo.

Members candidate voted:

1. Joseph Cummiskey – 35 votes
2. Sayed Huessien Khashaba – 34 votes
3. Konstantinos Natsis – 26 votes
4. Emin Ergen - 24 votes

5. Lanre Glover – 17 votes
6. Bruno Sesboue – 16 votes

Consequently, Joseph Cummiskey, Sayed Huessien Khashaba and Konstantinos Natsis were elected and Prof. Frontera became Past President of FIMS. EFSMA presented the name of Prof. Eduardo De Rose as the candidate to the Honorary Presidency. The Council of Delegates unanimously approved the election of Prof. De Rose.

10. SELECTION OF THE HOST CITY FOR THE 2014 WORLD CONGRESS OF SPORTS MEDICINE - W. Frontera

Prof. Frontera reported that three countries presented their candidacy for hosting the 2014 FIMS World Congress: Canada (Quebec City), Turkey (Istanbul), and Malaysia (Kuala Lumpur). Then, the representatives of the member National Associations of Sports Medicine, who sent their bids for hosting the 2014 FIMS World Congress gave a presentation of their bids; following his presentation Prof. Ergen communicated the withdrawal of Turkish candidature.

After the ballot and the counting of the votes, the results were as follows:

1. Quebec City – 32 votes
2. Kuala Lumpur – 23 votes

Consequently, according to the decision of the Council of Delegates, Quebec City (Canada) resulted to be the selected city to host the 2014 World Congress of Sports Medicine.

11. APPROVAL OF AWARDS – F. Pigozzi

Prof. Pigozzi presented a recommendation from the EC, further to the Netherlands Member National Association presentation, of the name of Dr. John Wesseling as the candidate for receiving the FIMS Gold Medal, and of Prof. Ernst Raas as the candidate for receiving the FIMS Honorary membership. The Council of Delegates unanimously approved.

12. CHANGE OF STATUTES – W. Frontera

Following the recommendation from the EC the following changes of the Statutes have been approved by the Council of Delegates:

ART. 18.08 OF THE STATUTES

18.08. The Interfederal Medical Commission

The aims of the Interfederal Medical Commission are:

- a) To study, from a medical point of view practical problems related to sports activity submitted by the Executive Committee.
- b) To disseminate scientific data regarding the medical aspects of sports activities in a form that can be suitably understood by officers, physicians, paramedic staff, coaches and athletes.
- c) To organize meetings of physicians attached to International Sports Federations and National Olympic Committees for the exchange of information on Sports Medicine.

To be changed into:

18.08. The Interfederal Medical Commission

The aims of the Interfederal Medical Commission are:

- a) To study, from a medical point of view, practical problems related to sports activity submitted by the Executive Committee.*
- b) To promote and propose scientific research in cooperation with the FIMS Commission concerned regarding the medical aspects of sports activity in a form that can be suitably understood by officers, physicians, paramedic staff, coaches and athletes.*

- c) *To organize meetings of physicians linked to International Sports Federations and National Olympic Committees for the exchange of information on Sports Medicine.*

ART. 18.09 OF THE STATUTES

18.09. The Education Commission.

The aim of the Education Commission is:

to provide advice and make recommendation to the Executive Committee on matters related to sports medicine education for medical and allied health professionals.

To be changed into:

18.09. The Education Commission.

The aim of the Education Commission is:

a) *To provide educational opportunities that meet the needs of sports medicine physicians in both developing and developed countries with the goal of developing both leadership and mentorship. .*

b) *To provide advice and make recommendations to the Executive Committee on matters related to sports medicine education for medical and allied health professionals.*

c) *To cooperate with the organizers of the FIMS World Congress of Sports Medicine as well as with the organizers of other international educational events sponsored by FIMS to ensure that FIMS educational goals are included in best educational formats.*

d) *To assist the local organizers of FIMS Courses, such as the Team Physician Development Course, Team Physician Advanced Course, Sports Rehabilitation Course, and others, with the course organization, implementation, and evaluation/review process.*

ART. 18.10 OF THE STATUTES

18.10. The Liaison Commission.

The aims of the Liaison Commission are:

· to provide and make recommendations to the Executive Committee on matters related to communication, promotion, and membership.

· In conjunction with the Secretary General, the Liaison Commission will:

a) facilitate and enhance cooperation and collaboration with other international organizations related to sports medicine as defined by the Executive Committee;

b) assist in the maintenance of effective communication with national bodies, Individual Members, and associated organizations through acquisition and collation of materials for FIMS publications;

c) enlarge contacts with international organizations and institutions of non-medical professions related to the field of sports medicine.

· In conjunction with the Treasurer, the Liaison Commission will:

a) raise the level of awareness and promote the benefits of individual membership of FIMS.

b) develop strategies for the maintenance and monitoring of effective membership services.

c) assist the Executive Committee in the implementation and conduct of procedures associated with the granting of Individual and Associate Membership.

d) identify countries with special needs with respect to sports medicine information and services and develop and implement mechanisms to expand the dissemination of information to these countries.

TO BE CHANGED INTO:

18.10. The Development Commission.

The aims of the Development Commission are:

· *to deal with and to suggest recommendations to the Executive Committee on matters related to communication, promotional activities, memberships, marketing activities of FIMS*

· *in conjunction with the Secretary General, the Development Commission will:*

a) *facilitate and enhance cooperation with other International Organizations related to sports medicine as defined by the Executive Committee;*

b) assist in the maintenance of effective communication with national bodies, individual members, and associated organizations through acquisition and collection of materials for FIMS publications;

c) enlarge contacts with international organizations and institutions of non-medical professions related to the field of sports medicine;

d) up-to date strategic plan for FIMS.

· In conjunction with the Treasurer, the Development Commission will:

a) raise the level of awareness and promote the benefits of individual membership of FIMS.

b) develop strategies for the maintenance and monitoring of effective membership services.

c) assist the Executive Committee in the implementation of procedures associated with the granting of Individual and Associate Membership.

d) operate in close cooperation with the Continental Presidents in setting-up support programs for new members.

e) expand the business activities of FIMS by generating revenues for the use of the FIMS image and expertise through negotiating contracts with sponsors and suppliers.

f) perform all other FIMS marketing and promotion activity, developing partners, and marketing of the FIMS website.

The Council of Delegates then agreed the proposal of changing where it is mentioned "The World of Sports Medicine." (Statutes: 13.08-18.07 By-Laws 14.03) into the name of the FIMS journal "International Sports Medicine Journal", abbreviated as "ISMJ".

Finally the President reported on the plan to explore the possibility to find a permanent headquarter for FIMS and asked the Council to give the mandate to the newly elected Executive Committee to carry out this project. The Council unanimously agreed.

13. NEXT MEETING – F. Pigozzi

The next meeting of the Council of Delegates will be held on the occasion of the 2012 World Congress of FIMS in Rome, Italy. Prof. Pigozzi gave a short presentation on the preparation of the Congress.

14. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned on 20th May 2010 at 17.45.

Respectfully submitted,



Prof. Dr. Fabio Pigozzi, M.D.
FIMS Secretary General