

EUROPEAN POWERLIFTING ORGANISATION

ANNUAL CONGRESS MINUTES

DATE: 23RD June 2005 18.30 hours.

VENUE: Hotel 't Voorhuys Emmeloord Holland

1 Roll Call

The president, Jaap Fahner, thanked everyone for attending.

Jaap Fahner	Holland	President EPC
Erik Butzelaar	Holland	President WPF
Jorg Rodiger	Germany	Vice President
Gerhard Holleitner	Austria	Treasurer
Brian Clements	Great Britain	Technical Officer
Dave Tickle	Great Britain	Secretary
Martin Karius	Germany	
David Carter	Great Britain	
Jenoen De Boed	Holland	

2 Apologies

DT reported he had received an e-mail from Michelle Galvano (Italy) forwarding his apologies that he wouldn't be attending the Championships. The e-mail also contained items to be included in the agenda. As these items related to proposed rule changes they will be carried forward to the 2005 WPF Congress meeting, Gotha, Germany.

Italy's apologies were noted.

3 Presidents Address

JF had nothing to report.

4 Minutes of last Congress

Minutes of the 2004 congress, held in Mexico, were read and agreed to be a correct record. DC/BC confirmed.

5 Treasurers Report

Countries Paid:

Germany
Austria
Holland

Countries Still to Pay:

Luxembourg
Italy
Poland
Ukraine (The status is yet to be confirmed)
Great Britain.

The financial accounts showed Great Britain still owed 300€ which was due to Great Britain transferring affiliation fees to the secretaries account and not to the WPF.

On production of the secretaries account statement, which was agreed would be sufficient, GH agreed that the outstanding Great Britain affiliation fees were 100€. This was duly paid by DT.

It was agreed that all future affiliation fees would be paid directly to GH.

DC emphasised the secretaries account is used for administration costs for both the web site and record certificates etc and needs to be ongoing.

It was agreed that in future DT will send receipts with the appropriate IBAN banking number for further funding.

The account to date stands at 1,626.77€ plus 100€ from Great Britain, with the secretaries account standing at 91.34€. The finances will be looked at in more detail at the 2005 WPF Congress meeting, Gotha, Germany.

DC queried whether Austria had paid the full affiliation fees in 2004, this was confirmed by GH.

Several attempts have been made by EB/DT/GH to contact Michelle Galvano (Italy) with regards to their affiliation fees. The last email gave them a deadline of this congress meeting which has now passed, therefore Italy is now considered as a delinquent nation.

Poland outstanding monies from 1997. No response to correspondence.

6 Secretaries Report/Webmaster

DT had nothing to report directly. However, he commented that he personally felt that both the WPF and EPC were moving in the right direction with continued interest being shown from a number of countries.

Up to now the web site had limited space. This has been increased to a capacity that will allow the inclusion of more web albums and photographs etc. Although it was still the case that very little information was coming through.

DT explained that home pages could be included to show national information or links to other sites etc.

7 Committee Report

This covered in item 8.

BC expressed concern regarding his continued health problems, this to be reviewed in November in Germany. BC has suggested that developing a senior referee as technical officer as support, this to be reviewed at the 2005 WPF Congress meeting, Gotha, Germany.

8 National Reports

Nothing to Report.

It was agreed that the championships would be used for conducting examinations for International Referees, by exam invigilators David Carter Great Britain and Brian Clement Great Britain.

Candidates:

Friday - Robert Campbell and Fred Annesse
Saturday - Bob Campbell, Fred Annesse and Martin Karius.
Sunday – Martin Karius.

It was agreed that Jorg Rodiger would sit the international referee examination in Gotha, Germany.

9 Proposed Amendments

Those proposed are for information only and will be presented to the 2005 WPF Congress meeting in Gotha, Germany.

10 New Member Application

Ukraine has asked to be affiliated and shown as an affiliated nation on the web site. Although this has taken place it is still uncertain as to their status.

EB will send e-mail requiring them to confirm their intentions with regards to joining the EPC/WPF. If confirmed GH will invoice accordingly.

DC suggested 31st January as a deadline for affiliation fees.

11 Future Championships

2005 World Championships – Gotha, Germany - 11th, 12th and 13th of November.

DC explained Great Britain's requirement for a two minutes silence at 11am in memory of the fallen. This was explained to the congress and it was agreed would be adhered to.

2006 European Championships – Vienna, Austria - Last week in June (3 days)

Italy needed to pay before today but have failed to do so. Therefore the championships have been transferred to Austria.

2006 World Championships – Emmeloord, Holland - 3rd weekend in November

2007 European Championships – Bid from South Wales. Proposed by DC

2007 World Championships – Bid from Austria. To be confirmed at the 2005 WPF Congress meeting, Gotha, Germany.

12 Any Other Business

DT – Requests the use of a standard score sheet which includes the competitors age, for ease of confirming age class.

DT - Score sheets are checked against WPF and BP records. The assumption is made that the score sheets are correct; if there are mistakes they may not be noticed and passed through to the records. In some instances these mistakes have taken up to 3 months to identify and rectify, which can cause further problems. It is therefore suggested that there is a time period after web posting at which point the records stand irrespective of any mistakes.

It was suggested that posting new items, especially records, each country to be e-mailed and given 28 days for comments.

It was agreed this to be approved at the 2005 WPF Congress meeting, Gotha, Germany.

Affiliated countries to give notice to the secretary the dates of National Championships where records can be officially broken.

To ensure the validity of Championship score sheets, it was suggested that there needs to be a referee from another country to be present on the scoring tables to check score sheets. This will be further discussed at the 2005 WPF Congress meeting, Gotha, Germany.

Closure:

The President closed the Congress meeting at 20.15 hours.

Footnote Report:

International Referees Exam Invigilators David Carter (Great Britain) and Brian Clement (Great Britain) are pleased to report the following results:

Candidates:

Robert Campbell Great Britain Passed with 93%

Fred Annesse Holland Passed with 91%

Martin Karius Germany Passed with 91%

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