

MINUTES OF THE 77TH COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY, 8TH MAY 2023 AT 19:15HRS (BST) / 20:15HRS (CET)
HELD IN VIDEO CONFERENCE

Present:

EDBF Executive Committee:	Claudio Schermi	CS	EDBF President	ITA
	Peter Jarosi	PJ	EDBF Vice President	HUN
	Valerii Morgun	VM	EDBF Vice President	UKR
	Anna Socratous	AS	EDBF Vice President	CYP
	Julie Doyle	JD	EDBF Secretary General	IRL
	Maura Derzi	MD	EDBF Treasurer	ITA
	Andrew Menzies	AM	Full Member's Representative	GBR
EDBF Council Representatives:	Alexey Morgun	AM	Youth Commission Chair	UKR
	Andries Boneschanser	AB	ComSpec Chair	NLD
	Paola Pochesci	PP	Women's Commission Chair	ITA
	Dusko Spasovski	DS	Medical Commission	SRB
	Robin Magnusson	RM	Member Representative	SWE
	Niko Cuca	NC	Member Representative	SRB
Non-Voting:	Mike MacKeddie-Haslam (joined 19:40)	MMH	EDBF President of Honour	GBR
	Alan van Caubergh	AvC	EDBF Honorary President	NLD
	Dorottya Seenger	DS	Translator for Peter Jarosi	HUN
	Leila Ataei (joined 19:40)	LA	Medical Commission Vice Chair	CYP
	Djordje Pavlovic (left 20:05)	DP	ComSpec Vice Chair	CYP

<u>Item</u>		<u>Action</u>
1.00	<u>Welcome Address</u>	
1.01	CS welcomed everyone to the meeting and advised he had just returned from a visit to the IBCPC Championships in New Zealand.	
1.02	Apologies were received from Ute Becker-Frenzel, Christian Tänzer and Mike Thomas.	
2.00	<u>Confirmation of Agenda</u>	
2.01	The agenda was approved as presented.	
3.00	<u>Acceptance of the Minutes of the 75th & 76th EDBF Council Meetings</u>	
3.01	The minutes of the 75 th & 76 th EDBF Council Meetings were accepted in full.	
4.00	<u>Matters Arising From Previous Minutes</u>	

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| 4.01 | CS advised that the alternative IDBF Registration Platform has been run as an experiment alongside the normal platform at no cost to the EDBF. The system now needs to be tested through all the different stages to include the programme and results service. More volunteers are required to stress test the system. | CS |
| 5.00 | <u>President's Report</u> | |
| 5.01 | CS thanked the ComSpec for all the work that has been carried out in the last couple of months to bring the Championships on line. | |
| 5.03 | Following the IDBF recommendation CS submitted the latest IOC President declarations to the Council for discussion regarding the return of Russian or Belarus Athletes to competitions. CS asked if the ban recommendation of the Ukraine Authorities should be applied to national teams or also to individuals and club crews. VM clarified that the official position is to continue to ban all Russian Athletes despite the fact that he has nothing against Vitali and the Russian paddlers. CS and VM agreed for a meeting on line with the Minister of Sport that they met together in Kiev before the war to discuss the issue. At the moment it was agreed that the EDBF would continue to adopt the decision made last year in that no Russian or Belarus athletes would be allowed to enter the EDBF ECCC this year. | |
| 5.03 | EDBF Euro Cups – The new rules have now been issued to all event organisers and all contracts have been signed for 2023. CS requested that everyone encouraged their clubs to attend. | ALL |
| 6.00 | <u>Final Year End Accounts for 2022</u> | |
| 6.01 | See attached Final Year End Accounts for 2022. | |
| 6.02 | CS asked about EDBF App and why it was not updated. CS recommended Christian update it. The Council approved. | CS |
| 6.03 | JD asked to specify in the Final Year End Account about the President's budget (around 5.000 Euro in the year), adding in the activities and the countries CS had visited in 2022. | MD |
| 6.04 | MD confirmed that Moldova and Poland have paid their annual EDBF membership for 2023, but Russia has not paid due to the current circumstances. | |
| 6.05 | It was agreed to cancel the outstanding debt of €1,675.00 for annual memberships owed by Poland, Armenia, Israel and Moldova. The EDBF wished to welcome all countries into the federation. However the need to regulate for this in the future as certain nations only paid when they wanted to attend the EDBF championships was important. | MD/CS |

6.06	The accounts were unanimously approved by the Council and were ready to be sent to Arild Jordskar of Norway for audit.	MD
7.00	<u>Update on EDBF ECCC 2023 – Information Bulletin no. 3</u>	
7.01	Entries to date have been very successful with 83 clubs entered in all classes. A questionnaire is to be sent out with Bulletin. No. 3 to review the actual number of athletes that will be competing.	ComSpec
7.02	There are now challenges with how to put the race programme together. With the amount of entries the programme will not work over the allotted 4 days, so some racing will have to be done on the afternoon of Wednesday, 6 th September 2023. This is using 3 sets of 6 small boats and 2 sets of 6 standard boats. The finals will be run using 8 boats. There is insufficient budget to run 3 x sets of standard boats. The ComSpec will write the programme so those crews arriving on Wednesday will not miss out. Bulletin no. 3 needs to be issued as soon as possible to inform clubs.	ComSpec
7.03	The regatta site still has to be refurbished over the next 3 months.	
7.04	Jason McKenzie from UAE will be the Race Technical Director.	
7.05	32no. IROs have been invited to officiate at the Championships. The IROs will be accommodated in the city of Ravenna which is 15 minutes away from the regatta site.	
8.00	<u>EDBF Forum 2023</u>	
8.01	Update on EDBF Forum 2023 – A meeting has been held between the working group and it was agreed to split the Forum into two parts. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Belgrade, Serbia – Sunday, 25th June 2023 &/or Monday, 26th June 2023. This would be an in person and online Forum. Topic: EDBF Vision & Goal, aimed at federation leaders. 2) Ravenna, Italy – Tuesday, 5th June 2023 (afternoon) This would be an in person Forum. Topic: To be confirmed, aimed at Coaches & Athletes. 	
9.00	<u>Any Other Business</u>	
9.01	AS confirmed that all contracts had now been signed for the EDBF Euro Cup event 2023. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Belgrade, Serbia – End June 2023 - Lithuania – End September 2023 - Limassol, Cyprus – 7th October 2023 - Dubai, UAE – Early December 2023 	

9.02 | LA advised she had been working on a 4 year plan for the EDBF Anti-doping.

10.00 | Date, Time and Place of the Next Meetings

10.01 | To be confirmed.

Attached:

- EDBF Year End Accounts 2022

Minutes produced by Julie Doyle (IRL)

I confirm these minutes represent a true record of the meeting held.

Signed by:



Claudio Schermi
President
European Dragon Boat Federation

Dated: 18th May 2023