# MINUTES OF THE EDBF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING nº 05/24

## Tuesday, 11th June 2024 at 18.00HRS (UTC) / 19.00HRS (CET)

**TO BE HELD IN VIDEO CONFERENCE – zoom 9996299580**

**Present:**

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| **Voting** | Claudio Schermi | CS | EDBF President | ITA |
| | Valeri Morgun | VM | EDBF Vice President | UKR |
| | Anna Sokratous | AS | EDBF Vice President | CYP |
| | Antonio De Lucia | ADL | EDBF Vice President | ITA |
| | Niko Cuca | NC | EDBF Vice President | SRB |
| | Pep Junca Tesseras | PJT | EDBF Secretary General | SPA |
| | Maura Dezi | MD | EDBF Treasurer | ITA |
| | Andrew Menzies | AM | Full Member's Representative | GBR |
| **Non-Voting:** | Mike MacKeddie-Haslam | MMH | EDBF President of Honour | GBR |
| | Alan van Caubergh | AvC | EDBF Honorary President | NLD |
| | Kateryna Kovalenko | KK | VM interpreter | UKR |

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| **1.00** | **Welcome address by the EDBF President / Roll call** | |
| 1.01 | President started with the explanation of the 4 letters received from the 4 nations and how we would discuss this matter later in point Nº7. | |
| | President congratulates Niko for the excellent work during the Belgrade Eurocup and explains that ENC Racice has now a very good participation. | |
| **2.00** | **Confirmation of Agenda** | |
| 2.01 | The agenda was approved as presented. | |
| **3.00** | **Acceptance of the Minutes of the 3rd and 4th Ex. Com meeting.** | |
| 3.01 | The minutes of the 3rd Ex.com were approved as presented with a little modification of the attendance that SG will amend. | SG |
| 3.0 | The minutes of the 4rt Ex.com were approved as presented. | |
| 4.**00** | **Matter arising from previous meeting** | |
| | There were no matter arising from previous meeting | |
| **5.00** | **President Report** | |
| 5.01 | President explains that he wrote to the Swedish Canoe Federation to explain to them the conflict we have now on top of the table with the Swedish DB association and the Canoe Federation. He told us the procedure that has to be taken in order to recognize them as EDBF member. | |

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| **6.00** | **<u>EDBF ENC – Racice 2024 - update</u>** | |
| | President explains that Bulgaria will join the ENC Racice, and this is great news.<br>At this moment we can confirm 1500 paddlers and he asks everybody to help him push the members to put in the program the nominated entries in order to print the badges.<br>CS asks Vice president VM to help him regarding Czech Republic entries calling Petr Klima to push him into entering the names of their 200 paddlers.<br>CS also askes Maura to invoice the EDBF fee to members for their participation | VM<br><br>MD |
| **7.00** | **<u>Congress</u>** | |
| 7.01 | There was a big discussion on how the 4 letters from the EDBF nations (GER, IRE, GB, SWED) should be treated and if they should be considered or not in the congress.<br>This is the first formal time where these letters have been put to the EDBF as an organization, and discussed in the Ex.com meeting.<br>The final conclusions are the following:<br>1- The letters are not making a complaint about the EDBF president's work or what he has done for the federation. Therefore, this complaint regarding Claudio as an individual can't go to the congress, but instead, it could be considered potentially as some disciplinary matter, in which case the members **should produce evidence of those accusations to discuss in the next council meeting.**<br>**2-** The executive agrees with the need of requesting a revision of the statues and the bylaws. The Ex.com will put into operation a full review of the statues and the bylaws in order to fully fulfill the 4 nations request, therefore, this point doesn't need to go to the congress either. **Meanwhile the Ex.com askes to the 4 nations to suggest the changes that should take place in this revision.**<br>**3-** The executive commission has considered the position of Sweden, and in order to find a diplomatic solution with Sweden the following decision has been made: Ask the congress to ratify the name of the Swedish Canoe Federation as the representative for Sweden in EDBF. Before this ratification, **SG will ask Sweden Canoe federation to reconfirm SCF recognize IDBF and EDBF as the world governing body for dragon boat sport, the acceptance of this document is necessary to reaffirm loyalty to IDBF and EDBF from SCF as their member.**<br>SG will write a letter to the 4 nations with those answers.<br><br>President asks Andrew, as Member representative to follow this Sweden point, and ask them to write and sign this loyalty letter. Andrew asked MH to help him and he accepted. | SG<br><br>AM& MH |

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| **8.00** | **<u>AOB (Any Other Business)</u>**<br><br>Anna Sokratous suggests a nomination for Claudio Shermi as Honorary President in the next Council meeting.<br>Mike Haslam replies that he is not sure there can be more than one HP at a time, and askes SG to find out in the statutes if this is allowed.<br><br>Claudio askes VM and AS to forward their CV in order that SG can send it to all the EDBF members. | SG<br><br>AS, VM & PJT |
| **9.00** | **<u>Date of next EDBF Ex. Com and date of next EDBF Council</u>**<br>The date of the next EDBF Ex. Com will be choosen by the new EDBF president | |

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

Dated: 20.04.2024

Signed by: Claudio Schermi, EDBF President — Pep Junca Tesseras, EDBF Secretary General

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