

IWWF
E&A Disabled Council
Minutes of the meeting held in Paris, France
04th February 2024.

1. Attendance

Dany De Bakker
Heidi Brenna
Ivar Fosse
Carmen Ferrer
Philippe Turchet
Dario Rossi
Christophe Fasel

President
Secretary
Treasurer

Athlete Representative

2. Apologies

Paul Airey

Participated in Teams for part of the meeting.

3. Agenda

Approved

4. A.O.B.

None

5. Correspondence

Philippe has been contacted by the Greek President about coaching a Greek skier. Philippe will follow up. He will also forward the history of disabled wakeboarding to the Cable Wakeboard Council.

6. Approval of minutes from November

Approved

7. Matters from November meeting.

Heidi needs more time to finish the photo gallery from the Worlds on the website.

8. Delegation of duties in the Council

A few changes:

- Facebook - Heidi and Paul
- Coaching - Christophe and Philippe
- Calendar - We are removing the calendar duty from the website since we now use EMS.

9. Calendar 2024

- 29.-30. June - Chicken Cup 2024, Bourg-en-Bresse, France (Swiss Federation)
- 26.-28. July - Norwegian Nationals, Enebakk, Norway
- 6.-7. September - Italian Nationals
- 12.-15. September - E&A Disabled Championships, Lacanau, France together with U21.

All competitions in Norway and Switzerland will be open for disabled skiers.

10. Website

Athlete of the year and EuroTour results are updated in the news section, but not under corresponding menu options.

Factors for 2024 must be updated as soon as they are ready and be sent to Heidi. Our history is not updated since 2019. Paul needs to write an update for the last few years.

The duties must be updated.

Heidi will do all the updates as soon as possible.

11. Rules

The World Rules are updated, Dany has put a draft on Teams. She needs all Council members to have a look. The rules must be confirmed by the World Council. The additional rules are almost ready. Ivar will update our additional rules. Paul to update the factors.

12. Officials

- Update officials list.

The list will be updated after the Seminar.

- EMS

Peter Frei joined the meeting and gave us some updates on the EMS system. The big tasks now are to migrate the cable wakeboard system to EMS, probably in November. They are starting to make ranking lists and are also working with a new payment system. The search functions need to be better.

If a disabled skier starts in a waterski competition, the skier will need a license. Results from Waterski competitions will not be on the disabled ranking list. It is not possible to duplicate a waterski competition and change it to disabled. The best solution is to make a separate competition in EMS for disabled.

13. Seminar 2024

We will have an online meeting in March to prepare for the Seminar in Athens 11.-14. April. The Council meeting in Athens will be on Friday morning. The hotel has no disabled rooms, but they have family rooms available that are accessible for wheelchairs. The family rooms are more expensive so the Council will pay the difference for our Council members.

Dany has invited Jan Dooms (the manufacturer of CAS) to demonstrate the CAS. The Council will pay for his travel cost.

Heidi will try to get some videos from the Worlds in California before our online meeting in March. The videos can be used to do some trick writing at our own session.

The Seminar in 2025 will be in Prague. Carmen has made arrangements with Lukáš Hořký.

14. Matters from/to AdminCom

Patrice, Marie-Anne and Dominique joined the meeting.

The Waterski Council want to change the fee for covering travel costs for officials from 20 to 40 Euros. We will do the same.

We must get in contact with the organisers in Lacanau so they will know our needs for the E&A Disabled Championships. Dany will follow up.

15. Matters from/to IWWF Disabled Council

We discussed what kind of name we would prefer if we were to replace the term disabled with another term. We would prefer para as this is already used in several countries and is a well-established term, such as the term Paralympics.

2025 Worlds currently planned for November 2025 in Mulwala, Australia.

16. Financial issues

Our balance from last year is 7024,44 Euros. With a grant of 3000, we have 10244,44 Euros to spend this year.

17. A.O.B.

We are thinking about setting up a survey to check how European Federations are organising disabled waterskiing on a National level. Do they have a specific Council for Disabled or are they working together with Waterski? To be discussed further at a later online meeting.

18. Date & Place of the next meetings.

The next meeting will be a Teams meeting. Suggestion 13. March at 19.00 CET.

Heidi Brenna
Disabled Council Secretary
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