



Minutes of the IWWF Region Europe Racing Council Meeting by Microsoft Teams on Saturday 19th June 2021 at 10.00 hours (Belgian Time).

1 To record attendance and apologies

Our President gives a warm welcome to all members joining this zoom meeting. Instead of a physical meeting there is, for the moment, no other way seeing the COVID situation. Mike thanks Chris for setting up this meeting.

Mike Waterman (GBR)	President
Vera Van den Bossche (BEL)	Secretary-General
Franz Hebenstreit (AUT)	Treasurer
Thea Klarenbeek (NL)	Council member
Steve Cox (GBR)	Council member
Julius Leysen (BEL)	Council member
Chris Rydl (BEL)	Athletes Representative

Apologies : Richard Hernaez due to work commitments.

2 To approve the Minutes of the Council meeting held by “zoom” on 7th February 2021 and deal with any matters arising.

Minutes of the zoom meeting held on November 7th , 2020 are approved. Most of the matters arising are to be found in the agenda points of today.

3 Presidents’ .report to Admin Com June 2021

Report was distributed to all and approved by Council.

4 Secretary General’s report

Nothing special to report as Items of importance always promptly copied to Council by email. All outstanding matters are on the agenda for further discussion.

5 Treasurer's Report June 2021.

Budget is Ok because the last year there was only very limited expenditure.
2020 : only licence money received from Belgium: 2 licences.
Jonas European website was paid June and would be the last payment..
Need to find out with Hannah Bird for costs.

6 2021 Racing Calendar including news re: the European Championships in Belgium (2022)

2021 Calendar still very unsure due to the Covid situation.
- GB possibly races could be cancelled
Hanseatic very difficult to get competitors from abroad
- BEL : races Beringen & Hasselt Ok for the moment.

2022 : Vera will contact the organizers and report back.

7 Correspondence,

No correspondence received, all matters are dealt with.

8 Update on Insurance for water ski racing- GB/Belgium and elsewhere

Belgium : is OK and for the whole of Europe.
GB : this year only for the selected races but not 100 % sure.
Next year there would be a problem again getting insurance.
AUT : is OK
NL : through Belgium

9 Any pressing IT issues/website/social media (also update on IWWF Racing World Website initiative).

Unfortunately Hannah Bird could not join the meeting. Need to make a separate arrangement to discuss the matter of the website pages..

10 WARAC update-any progress, following November report?

Vera will contact the people involved and report back on this item.

11 Report from Region Europe Athletes' Representative, Chris Rydl-newsletter?

Nothing to report, no news from anywhere !

12 IWWF Rules update.

- Wetsuits : new rule has been published in the IWWF rules, will be inserted in our rules 2022.
- F2 eligibility : rule has been changed, but there is still a discussion going on regarding this item. As soon as more news will report back (Vera).

13 Bids for 2023 World Championships- any known options?

For the moment everything is very speculative :

Candidates : GB and USA

Spain : Lanzarote but this depends on the situation with the Federation.

14 European Racing Hall of Fame –.

As we did not have the chance to award the 2019/2020/2021 candidates, suggestion is made to keep the same names and award them in 2022:

- Carlo Cassa (ITA) European Champion F1 Men 1996 – 2002
- Miriam Grignani (ITA) European Champion F1 Women 1984 – 1985

Council members agreed on this proposal.

15 Revision of any Region Europe Racing rules for 2021 including Rule 3.04

Waiting for the final updates from IWWF Racing. New rules will be implemented in 2022 Rules after agreement of the Council.

16 Succession planning- 2022 election year

After short discussion the Council members will all stay candidates.

As Chris Rydl is candidate to follow Vera as secretary in the future, we have to find out what the best way is to move forward.

17 Safeguarding

Received mail from IWWF which has been copied to Council members for their consideration as to whether we need to take any specific action as regards as European Rule book. Discuss November meeting.

18 Concussion protocol

Received mail from IWWF which was likewise copied to Council members for like consideration and discussion in November

19 Boat Numbers any update.

For 2020 we did not receive any boat numbers money.

If in 2021 races have been held then the boats who have participated have to pay their number.

20 Region Europe Racing nominees for IWWF Hall of Fame- result

Kim Lumley (GB) has been selected for the Hall of Fame IWWF
Kathrin Ortlieb (AUT) has been selected for the Decade award Hall of Fame IWWF. Question was raised for our discipline: why not the team. **Discuss November**

21 Follow up Discussion of possible future formats/formulae of Water Ski Racing in Europe

- Chris/Steve : old engines allowed back in the races ?
 - Scruteneering – trial in Belgium an then evaluate ?
- Jules : regulations are very strict > has no opinion for the moment.

22 Any other business, including Social Media

- EMS system will in the future also be for our discipline.
For the moment the cost is 15,- € for 1 competition and 48 € for whole season.

23 Date and venue of next meeting.

To be agreed upon at a later stage. Possible November meeting.

Having no other urgent business to discuss the President closes the meeting at 15.00 hrs thanking all members for their attendance, and their work and input for the benefit of our sport.

Vera Van den Bossche
Secretary-General

Mike Waterman
President