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# Minutes

of the Annual Meeting of the  
**FAI Parachuting Commission**

**held in Florence, Italy**  
on 27 and 28 January 2007

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# **International Parachuting Commission (IPC)**

## **58th Plenary Meeting – Florence, Italy**

### **MINUTES**

**In the Chair: Patrice Girardin, IPC President**

**Representing the FAI – Mr Max Bishop, Secretary General, FAI**

### **1. WELCOME AND ROLL CALL**

**1.1** IPC President Girardin called the 58th Plenary Meeting of the IPC to order at 10:00 hours, Saturday, 27 January 2007, at the Grand Hotel Mediterraneo, Florence, Italy. President Girardin asked the Plenary to stand for a moment of silence in memory of the skydivers who died in the past year.

**1.2** Italian Aero Club President, Architect Giuseppe Leoni, addressed the Plenary and welcomed the delegates.

**1.3** FAI Secretary General Max Bishop conducted the roll call of Delegates, noting apologies for absentees, approval of proxies, and verification of Delegates' authority. The roll call showed that 31 delegates were present (**ANNEX A**). Indonesia was present but did not have voting rights and the following five proxies were recognized:

***New Zealand to Australia***

***India to Russia***

***Lithuania to Sweden***

***Estonia to Finland***

***Mexico to Spain***

The Delegates' address list was circulated for its annual update, and will be posted on the IPC website.

### **2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**2.1** The minutes of the 57th IPC Plenary meeting held in Stockholm, Sweden 28–29 January 2006 have been published on the FAI/IPC website.

**2.2** France stated that a proposal was made at the IPC meeting in Sweden to allow an IPC President's term of office to extend beyond one year. This proposal was to be passed to FAI, but is not noted in the minutes, was not raised at the FAI General Conference, and there has been no action. IPC recognizes the mistake made by not noting and pursuing this issue. FAI representative Max Bishop explained that the proposal was not withdrawn but for technical reasons was postponed until the FAI General Conference 2007.

**2.3** The minutes were approved, subject to the above note.

### **3. 100th FAI GENERAL CONFERENCE - FAI ACTIVITIES REPORT**

**3.1** FAI representative, Secretary General Max Bishop, presented an overview of FAI's activities in 2006, the results of the 100th FAI General Conference held in Santiago, Chile, 26 - 27 October 2006, and FAI's plans for 2007. Mr Bishop noted new FAI members and advised that a new Board was in place, with two of the six Board members coming from the parachuting fraternity. A new award has been instituted, the FAI Silver Medal, for those who make significant contributions to Air Sports, other than through competition.

**3.2** A database for performance, ATMOS, is being set up.

**3.3** A new deal is being sought with a major company. This is a significant development and FAI hopes to conclude the deal soon.

FAI is also in negotiation with companies concerning the recording of competition in real time.

**3.4** Mr Bishop emphasized that IPC is an integral part of FAI and explained the legal ramifications of this, principally that IPC had the legal protection of FAI, which IPC would not have were it to stand on its own, outside FAI.

**3.5** IPC 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, Graeme Windsor, spoke on FAI/IPC and on his report (Annex 3 in the agenda). He spoke of developments with the IPC web page, the issue of Continental Records which had been resolved, the World Air Games, finances and reimbursements. On the matter of litigation 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Windsor stated IPC delegates were experienced in these matters in their own countries and IPC offers to help FAI in this area if needed. Mr Windsor concluded by stating that he and IPC looked forward to a continuing good relationship with FAI.

**3.6** President Girardin finalised this item of the agenda by stating that FAI staff and personnel do a very good job and his criticism was directed against the FAI Board, not the hard-working personnel at the office. President Girardin looks forward to moving ahead and seeing progressive change.

## **4. PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS**

### **4.1 President's Report**

President Girardin's report was included in the agenda.

### **4.2 Decisions by the Bureau**

President Girardin reported on the IPC Bureau's Interim Decisions during 2006, a list of which was included in the Agenda

One item was omitted from the list of Bureau Interim Decisions – the resignation of Larry Bagley as Technical Secretary and the appointment of Liam McNulty to that post.

The Bureau's last Interim Decision was noted, Interim Action No. 2007/01/11 dated 24 January 2007. This Interim Bureau Decision was taken as the wording of Internal Regulations, 3.8.3 Paragraph 2, adopted at the 2006 IPC Plenary Meeting, was not as intended. The meaning was therefore clarified by Interim Decision 2007/01/11.

The Bureau Interim Decisions were approved by the Plenary.

## **5. WORLD GAMES**

**5.1** Dr. Rainer Exi Hoenle, IPC Liaison Officer for the World Games, briefed the Plenary on the forthcoming World Games in Taiwan, 2009.

Parachuting was the only air sport represented in three consecutive World Games and will be the only air sport in Taiwan in 2009.

Five parachuting disciplines listed for the WG are – 4-Way Formation Skydiving, Landing Accuracy, Freefly, Canopy Formation and Canopy Piloting

## **6. WORLD AIR GAMES**

**6.1** President Girardin briefed the Plenary on the present situation. There are 75 places available for parachuting in Style & Accuracy (World Cup of Champions), Canopy Formation, Artistic Events (Freestyle) and Canopy Piloting. A review by the various Committees established that a minimum of 90 places, excluding officials, was required for parachuting. FAI and TSE (a marketing/promotional company) are in negotiation with respect to WAG and details including place availability for the various air sports.

6.2 The Plenary authorized the incoming IPC Bureau to promote this programme with the FAI and to try to negotiate an increase in the number of places available to parachuting.

## **7. GENERAL ISSUES**

7.1 Several issues were discussed during the open meeting held prior to the Plenary and minutes of this meeting were circulated to the Plenary.

7.2 President Girardin thanked the Committees for their work on the World Air Games Regarding Continental Records (Annex 38A in Agenda and item 9 in minutes of Bureau Meetings held 24/27 January 2007 in Florence) FAI accepts the deletion of the words '**continental boundary**'. It was further agreed – ***'that a Continental Record can be established at any National or FCE event, with the proviso that the National event must be 'open' and conducted under FAI/IPC rules'***.

7.3 President Girardin reported that an electronic scoring system was being worked upon.

7.4 Mr Mubarak Bin S. Al-Swailim, the IPC Delegate from Saudi Arabia, was congratulated on the publication of a new book, the first in Arabic, on skydiving.

## **8. TECHNICAL AND SAFETY**

8.1 Ms Gillian Winter, T & S Chair, presented reports and thanked the Committee members for their work.

The new on-line tool to record data on accidents and incidents was presented by Ms Winter and Jean-Michael Maheu, and the tool was explained, with discussion on it arising. It was suggested that a printed page with all the questions be made available to countries and this was accepted. T. Tuominen agreed to do some work on the tool.

President Girardin thanked the Committee for this work and on a vote the tool was accepted unanimously.

### **8.2 Annual IPC Safety Survey and other reports**

Liam McNulty, T & S Committee, presented the 2005 Safety Report.

A CD with the Safety and AAD Reports for 2005 was distributed to Delegates for use by their NACs and by their Technical & Safety Officers.

## **9. FINANCE WORKING GROUP**

9.1 IPC Treasurer and Finance Working Group Chair, Richard *Buzz* Bennett, presented his report on income, expenditures, and accounts receivable for 2006 and the end-of-year statement. He noted that €2000 for web design should be added to expenditure for 2006, as the invoice had only just been received.

9.2 The proposed 2007 IPC Budget was presented and a vote was postponed until Sunday as there were some details to be worked out, regarding the income from two Russian FCEs. Also, Committee Chairs were to provide some details of proposed expenditure which would be examined.

9.3 Proposed increase in sanction fee - The question of the proposed increase of €50 in the sanction fee was raised, as an increase of €40 had been stated at the Open Meeting of the FWG. The additional €10 increase was explained as being

necessary to cover additional demands in proposed expenditure for 2007, totaling €15,000.

**9.4** Croatia raised the question of competitions where the entry fee had already been agreed and published. R. Bennett stated that the organiser will be allowed increase the fee by the amount of the agreed increase.

**9.5** Italy queried the situation regarding the Para Ski FCE in March 2007 and it was noted that the increase in Sanction Fees would not apply for this FCE.

#### **9.6 Final budget for 2007**

The final budget for 2007 is based on a Sanction Fee of €90, except where otherwise agreed and noted (see 9.5 above), plus the right of Organisers to raise entry fees by the increase to the new Sanction Fee.

The need to increase the Sanction Fee arises from the 2006 IPC decision to pay Judges' travel costs.

The French Delegate, G. Winter, thought the increase was too high.

R. Buzz Bennett and R. Exi Hoenle both stated that IPC should not have deficit budgeting as that is poor financial management of IPC's affairs.

The proposal to increase the Sanction Fee to €90 for FCEs was carried, with one vote against and one abstention.

The final budget for 2007 was accepted by the Plenary.

### **10. FREEFALL STYLE AND ACCURACY LANDING**

**10.1** Committee Chair John Hitchen reported on the committee's activities in 2006, which were included in the Agenda, and addressed the Agenda topics discussed by the committee.

**10.2** A proposal was made to place in the agenda the Russian bid to include Accuracy (team and individual) in the Anton Malevsky Memorial competitions, to be held in Stupino, Russia, 2 - 8 July 2007. This proposal was accepted, as was the subsequent proposal to accept the bid.

**10.3** The bid from Russia to host the 4<sup>th</sup> Junior World Parachuting Championships 2007 and the 13<sup>th</sup> World Cup of Champions 2007 (at Tatarstan), both in Style and Accuracy was discussed. It was decided by the Bureau, in accordance with the clarification of 3.8.3 of the Internal Regulations, that the first portion of the proposed competition, the Junior World Parachuting championship 2007 was in conflict with a bid already sanctioned and that this new bid could not therefore be included in the agenda.

Russia then withdrew the bid covering the 4<sup>th</sup> Junior WPC and 13<sup>th</sup> WC in Style and Accuracy.

**10.4** The Croatian Delegate, Goran Habschied, updated the meeting on the 2007 European Championships in Freefall Style and landing Accuracy, the bid for which was accepted at the IPC Meeting in Stockholm, 2006.

#### **10.5 Proposed changes to the Freefall Style and Accuracy Landing Competition Rules**

Committee Chair John Hitchen proposed and discussed amendments to the Competition Rules arising from the S & A open meeting and from S&A Committee deliberations held prior to the Plenary meeting. The rule changes were distributed to the Plenary and were approved unanimously.

**10.6 Proposal from Czech Republic on Accuracy scoring.** The S & A Committee favoured the retention of the rule as is – four scores to count with a throwaway. The Czech proposal, calling for all five scores to count, was defeated 29 against, 3 for. Points 2 and 3 in the Czech proposal were already covered in the S & A Committee's proposed rules changes which had been accepted by the Plenary.

## **11. FORMATION SKYDIVING**

**11.1** Committee Chair Fiona McEachern reported on the Committee's activities in 2006, which were included in the Agenda, and addressed the Agenda topics discussed by the Committee.

**11.2 Anton Malevsky Memorial FCE** – There was discussion on the withdrawal by the Russian NAC, in late 2006, of elements of the AMM bid, accepted at Stockholm in January 2006. Russia was asked to re-consider but the Russian Delegate regretted that there could not be re-consideration as the sponsor of this FCE had brought about the changes. In accordance with 3.8.3 of the Internal Regulations the Bureau has decided that the bid was valid and was not in conflict with any other bid. It was noted that if an NAC submits two bids which seem to be in conflict with each other, that was a matter for an NAC.

**11.3** The position now is that the bid is for the Anton Malevsky Memorial International Cup (not World Cup) in 4-way Open only (4 – 12 August 2007 at Stupino). Delegates raised questions regarding the changes and how they would impact upon the event.

The Plenary accepted the changes made to the AMM FCE, as noted.

### **11.4 Future WPCs, World Cups, and other First Category Events**

The Russian delegate, Anatoly Zhironov, updated the meeting on the World Cup and European Championships in Formation Skydiving and Artistic Events, the bid having been accepted at the IPC meeting in Stockholm, 2006. The name of the event had been changed and was now the WC and European Championships, rather than the Anton Malevsky Memorial competition.

A bid from France to host the World Championships in Formation Skydiving at Vieux Reng, France, in August 2008, was presented and approved by the meeting.

### **11.5 Proposed changes to the Formation Skydiving Competition Rules**

Committee Chair Fiona McEachern presented proposed amendments to the Competition Rules, arising from FS Committee deliberations held prior to the Plenary meeting, which were distributed to the Plenary. The amendments were approved unanimously.

## **12. CANOPY FORMATION**

**12.1** Committee Chair Marylou Laughlin reported on the Committee's activities in 2006, which were included in the Agenda, thanked the members and advisors and addressed the Agenda topics discussed by the Committee.

## **12.2 Competition by Electronic means**

The committee discussed the possibility of holding 'competitions' by electronic means by which teams from around the world could conduct competitions without being at a central location and have their performance judged by FAI judges, in an effort to promote Canopy Formation events. The deadline for completion of this project is June 2007.

**12.3 Future FCEs in Canopy Formation.** A proposal to accept a bid from Croatia to host, 4 - 8 September 2007, a World Cup in CF, 2-way Sequential, 4-way Rotation and 4-way Sequential was made. See item 10.4 of these minutes for additional detail re the bid.

The bid was presented by the Croatian Delegate, Goran Habschied, and accepted unanimously by the meeting.

## **12.4 Proposed changes to the Canopy Formation Competition Rules**

Committee Chair Marylou Laughlin proposed and discussed amendments to the Competition Rules arising from the CF Committee deliberations held prior to the Plenary meeting and in Annex 24 agenda item. A copy of the draft rules for 2007 was distributed to the Plenary and they were approved unanimously.

## **13. ARTISTIC EVENTS**

**13.1** Committee Chair Ronald Overdijk reported on Committee activities for 2006, which were included in the Agenda, thanked the committee advisors and members and addressed the Agenda topics discussed by the Committee.

## **13.2 Future WPCs, World Cups, and other First Category Events**

The Russian bid, World Cup in AE, Stupino, 4 - 12 August 2007, had been accepted in 2006.

The bid from France, to host the WPC in AE in August 2008 was presented and approved unanimously.

## **13.3 Proposed changes to the Freely, Freestyle, and, Skysurfing Competition Rules**

Committee Chair Ronald Overdijk proposed and discussed amendments to the Competition Rules, due to AE Committee deliberations held prior to the Plenary meeting. The proposed changes were distributed to the Plenary and they were approved unanimously.

## **14. PARA-SKI**

**14.1** Committee Chair Michael Egger reported on the Committee's activities in 2006, thanked advisors and members and addressed the topics discussed by the Committee.

## **14.2 Future WPCs, World Cups, and other First Category Events**

EC and National Championships listed for 2007 were noted, as they appear in the agenda. There are 75 competitors listed for the 11<sup>th</sup> WPC in Para Ski, to be held at Trento, Italy, March 2007.

The 7<sup>th</sup> FAI WC & 4<sup>th</sup> European Championship in Para Ski 2008, and 12<sup>th</sup> WPC in Para Ski 2009, both to be held at Donnersbachwald, were both approved by the IPC Plenary in 2006 and are noted here.

### **14.3 Proposed changes to the Para-Ski Competition Rules**

No changes were proposed.

## **15. CANOPY PILOTING**

**15.1** Committee Chair Thomas Tuominen reported on Committee activities for 2006, thanked the members and advisors of the Committee and addressed the Agenda topics discussed by the Committee.

T. Tuominen commented upon the very satisfactory 1<sup>st</sup> WPC in Canopy Piloting, held in Vienna, Austria, August 2006 and he thanked Austria for conducting such a good event.

### **15.2 Future WPCs, World Cups, and other First Category Events**

The 4<sup>th</sup> FAI WC in Canopy Piloting will be held in Australia, November 2007.

Updated details had been discussed at the CP open meeting.

There was no bid for a canopy Piloting FCE in 2008 and T. Tuominen requested bids.

### **15.3 Proposed changes to the Canopy Piloting Competition Rules**

Committee Chair Tuominen proposed and discussed amendments to the Competition Rules based on Committee deliberations held prior to the Plenary meeting. A copy of rule changes was distributed to the Plenary. An additional change (reinstating a maximum number of competitors in a competition) will appear in the new version of the CP rules, on the FAI web site. The motion to accept the changes was approved unanimously.

**15.4** President Girardin spoke of this new discipline and complimented all those involved for their work and contributions, and especially Committee Chair, Thomas Tuominen.

## **16. FAI JUDGING**

**16.1** Committee Chair Doris Merz-Hunziker reported on the Committee's activities in 2006 and thanked members and advisors.

### **16.2 Deadline for nomination of Judges for new 2007 FCEs.**

March 15 2007 is the deadline for sending names of Judges (nominations) for new 2007 competitions. These may be sent to Doris Merz-Hunziker for forwarding to the new Judges' Committee Chair by Doris. A nomination form would be available on the FAI web site within one week of the end of the IPC Plenary.

**16.3** President Girardin thanked Doris Merz-Hunziker, on behalf of IPC, for her work and dedication over the years in the position of Chair of the Judges' Committee.

**16.4** Chief Judges for FCEs were nominated by D. Merz-Hunziker, as follows:-

### ***Chief Judges for 2007***

#### **Stupino**

Formation Skydiving

Tone Bergan, Norway

Artistic Events

Jamie Pillasch, USA



## **Croatia**

European Cup, S & A  
Canopy Formation

Ulf Tingnert, Sweden  
Anders Wallinder, Sweden

## **Sydney**

Canopy Piloting

Barry McAuley, Canada

## **AMM**

Accuracy  
Formation Skydiving

Igor Tiorlo, Ukraine  
Gail Bradley, Australia

## **Chief Judges for 2008**

### **Donnersbachwald**

Para Ski

Ulf Tingnert, Sweden

These nominations were approved unanimously

## **16.5 FAI Judges List**

The list of FAI Judges for 2007 was verified, per updates sent to Judges' Committee Chair D. Merz-Hunziker, and is attached to these minutes as **Annex B**.

## **17. SPORTING CODE & IPC INTERNAL REGULATIONS**

### **17.1 FAI Sporting Code, Section 5**

The Secretary of the Sporting Code Working Group, Richard *Buzz* Bennett, presented proposals, which were distributed to the Plenary, to amend the Sporting Code, Section 5.

### **17.2 Sporting Code, Section 5, 4.7 Jury 4.7.1 Members 1)**

A proposal to require Jurors to have the ability to communicate in English, without the use of an interpreter, (see page 5, Annex 38 to the agenda) was debated.

Austria proposed that the words '***without the use of an interpreter***' be deleted; this proposal was seconded by Spain.

This amending motion was carried by 20 votes to 15 and therefore the words '***without the use of an interpreter***' will be deleted.

### **17.3 IPC Controller Handbook - (Annex 40, agenda).**

J. Hitchen supported the proposal to have a Controller's Handbook and said a Controller cannot work without an *aide memoire*.

Excepting as noted in 17.2 above all changes were accepted and approved, with one abstention.

**17.4** The Chair of the Sporting Code Working Group, Graeme Windsor, presented the IPC Jury list, from which names will be taken to form Juries at FCEs.

#### Delete from 2006 list

Carlos Marques Vairinhos

Dieter Engel

#### Additions for 2007 list

John Smyth

Faye Cox

Roger Flinn

Anders Wallinder

Emil Franek

The new list (**Annex C**) was unanimously approved by the Plenary.

**17.5** The nomination of Juries and FAI Controllers for FCEs in 2007 and 2008 was presented to the Plenary and the motion to approve the list passed, with one abstention.

The Jury for the 11<sup>th</sup> WPC in Para Ski, Italy, March 2007, had been approved by the Bureau in October 2006.

Juries for 2007 FCEs are –

**JURIES & FAI CONTROLLERS 2007**

<b>11th FAI World Championship in Para-ski (approved by Bureau) Predazzo (Italy) - 20 to 25 March 2007</b>	
<b><i>Jury</i></b>	<b><i>FAI Controller</i></b>
<b>Larry Bagley (Pres)</b>	<b>Richard Buzz Bennett</b>
<b>Ronald Overdijk</b>	
<b>Doris Merz</b>	

<b>FAI Anton Malevsky Memorial International Cup in Formation Skydiving (4 way Open) and Individual &amp; Team Accuracy Stupino (Russia) - 2 to 8 July 2007</b>	
<b><i>Jury</i></b>	<b><i>FAI Controller</i></b>
<b>Liam McNulty (Pres)</b>	<b>Fiona McEachern</b>
<b>Barry McAuley</b>	
<b>Klaus Wellens</b>	

<b>FAI World Cup in Formation Skydiving and Artistic Events Stupino (Russia) - 4 to 12 August 2007</b>	
<b><i>Jury</i></b>	<b><i>FAI Controller</i></b>
<b>Igor Van Aperen (Pres)</b>	<b>Rainer Exi Hoenle</b>
<b>John Smyth</b>	
<b>Alberto Martin Paracuellos</b>	

<b>FAI European Championships in Style and Accuracy and World Cup in Canopy Formation, Croatia - 4 to 8 September 2007</b>	
<b><i>Jury</i></b>	<b><i>FAI Controller</i></b>
<b>Richard Buzz Bennett (Pres)</b>	<b>John Hitchen</b>
<b>Lidia Kosk</b>	
<b>Pernille Herold</b>	

<b>FAI World Cup in Canopy Piloting Sydney (Australia) - 8 to 11 November 2007</b>	
<b><i>Jury</i></b>	<b><i>FAI Controller</i></b>
<b>Patrice Girardin (Pres)</b>	<b>Thomas Tuominen</b>
<b>Rainer Exi Hoenle</b>	
<b>Susan Dixon</b>	

<b>FAI 7<sup>th</sup> World Cup &amp; 4<sup>th</sup> European Championships in Para-ski Donnersbachswald - 5 to 9 March 2008</b>	
<b><i>Jury</i></b>	<b><i>FAI Controller</i></b>
<b>Marylou Laughlin (Pres)</b>	<b>Doris Merz</b>
<b>Thomas Tuominen</b>	
<b>Emil Franek</b>	

<b><i>Pre-selected spare jurors, ref. withdrawn bid from Tatarstan, Russia</i></b>	
<b>Michael Egger (Pres)</b>	
<b>Jean Polis</b>	

## **18. ASIANIA**

ASIANIA representative Ms Faye Cox, on behalf of Asiana President Lee Jong-Hoon, presented the report on ASIANIA activities in 2006. President Girardin thanked F. Cox for her report and for her work.

## **19. AWARDS**

### **19.1 FAI Gold Parachuting Medal**

There were no nominations for this award.

### **19.2 Leonardo da Vinci Diploma**

The USA, having declared its intention in 2006, nominated Mr. Scott Rhodes for this award in 2007.

This nomination was passed unanimously.

### **19.3 Faust Vrancic Medal**

The Danish Aeronautic Association nominated Ted Wagner & Larry Hill to be awarded the Faust Vrancic Medal.

The Danish delegate explained the background to the 2006 nomination of T. Wagner and L. Hill and the problem arising (the nomination needed USA approval as the nominees are from US).

This is a nomination and the vote will take place next year.

## **20. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Delegates were invited to bring forward any other business for discussion by the Plenary.

**20.1** It was noted that the Malaysian 11<sup>th</sup> ASIANIA Parachuting Championships and National Open Competition will be held in 2007.

**20.2** The Danish Delegate asked that people declare their intentions to stand for the various positions, especially with the decision of the incumbent President, Patrice Girardin, not to stand for re-election.

**Graeme Windsor** declared his intention to stand for the position of President.

**Gillian Winter** declared her intention to stand for the position of First Vice President or as a Vice President.

**Thomas Tuominen** declared his intention to stand for a position as Vice President.

**Marylou Laughlin** declared her intention to stand for a position as Vice President, but not First Vice President.

**Rainer Exi Hoenle** declared that he will stand for election, but not as President.

All made verbal presentations, outlining their credentials and experience.

## **21. FUTURE IPC PLENARY MEETINGS**

### **21.1 Date and Place of Next IPC Meeting**

French Delegate, Gillian Winter, updated Delegates on the 2008 meeting venue in Paris.

**21.2 2009 Plenary Meeting** – IPC Internal Regulations require a two-thirds majority to move the IPC Meeting from Lausanne.

The Canadian Delegate, R. Buzz Bennett presented a bid to hold the 2009 IPC Plenary Meeting in Vancouver, Canada.

On a vote, a two-thirds majority was not reached and so the motion to move from Lausanne in 2009 was defeated.

## **22. ELECTIONS**

### **22.1 Election of IPC Officers**

#### **Nominations for IPC President**

Rainer Exi Hoenle	Declined nomination
Graeme Windsor	Accepted nomination
Gillian Winter	Declined nomination

Graeme Windsor was therefore elected IPC President, unopposed.

President Windsor proposed that Patrice Girardin be elected President of Honour of IPC. This proposal was accepted by acclamation.

#### **Nominations for IPC 1st Vice-President**

Graeme Windsor	Invalid
Rainer <i>Exi</i> Hoenle	Accepted nomination
Marylou Laughlin	Declined nomination
Thomas Tuominen	Declined nomination
Gillian Winter	Accepted nomination

An election resulted in Gillian Winter being elected to the position of First Vice president, by 20 votes, with 14 votes in favour of Rainer *Exi* Hoenle.

#### **Nominations for two IPC Vice Presidents**

Larry Bagley	Ineligible for election
Richard Buzz Bennett	Declined nomination
John Hitchen	Declined nomination
Rainer <i>Exi</i> Hoenle	Accepted nomination
Doris Merz-Hunziker	Accepted nomination
Thomas Tuominen	Accepted nomination
Anatoly Zhirov	Declined nomination
Marylou Laughlin	Accepted nomination

Following an election the following were returned as Vice Presidents –  
Thomas Tuominen, 26 votes      Rainer *Exi* Hoenle, 20 votes

#### **Nominations for IPC Technical Secretary**

Marylou Laughlin	Declined nomination
Doris Merz-Hunziker	Declined nomination
Liam McNulty	Accepted nomination

Liam McNulty was returned unopposed as Technical Secretary

#### **Nominations for IPC Treasurer**

Larry Bagley	Declined nomination
Richard <i>Buzz</i> Bennett	Accepted nomination
Carlos Marques Vairinhos	Declined nomination
Sara Sacchet	Declined nomination

Richard *Buzz* Bennett was returned unopposed as IPC Treasurer.

### **22.2 Election for Chair of Judges' Committee**

There were two candidates for this position - Pia Berggren and Klaus Wellens. Both presented their credentials and experience.

Following an election the result was

Pia Berggren 21 votes      Klaus Wellens 13 votes.

Pia Berggren was therefore elected Chair of the Judges' Committee.

## **23. Confirmation of the Committees and Working Groups**

**23.1** The Bureau presented the list of Committee and Working Group Chairs, members and advisors to the Plenary for approval. This list was approved unanimously

The approved list is attached as **Annex D**.

### **23.2 Confirmation of the IPC World Games Liaison Officer**

Dr. Rainer *Exi* Hoenle was approved unanimously in this role.

### **23.3 Confirmation of the IPC World Air Games Liaison Officer**

Graeme Windsor was approved unanimously in this role.

## **24. ADJOURNMENT:**

The Plenary acknowledged that the Italian Parachute Federation had conducted an outstanding meeting. President Windsor thanked the Italian Delegate, Sara Sacchet and her team and the Plenary meeting warmly applauded.

The meeting ended at 10:30 hours, Sunday 28 January 2007.

## **Annexes to these minutes**

**ANNEX A      LIST OF DELEGATES, ALTERNATE DELEGATES AND OTHER  
ATTENDEES AT IPC MEETING, FLORENCE, ITALY 2007.**

**ANNEX B      LIST OF FAI PARACHUTING JUDGES FOR 2007**

**ANNEX C      IPC LIST OF APPROVED AND QUALIFIED JURORS**

**ANNEX D      IPC COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS**