## **Proposals NED for the 32<sup>th</sup> IMSSC Session** by Bram de Vries/IMSSC Member NED

#### **Proposal 1:**

Arrival IMSSC: 11.02.2010

PROPOSAL to amend Article 2 of Part I of the Constitution and Regulations 2009/2010.

New version:

Every nation can only have one member in the IMSSC. Every nation has 1 or more votes, depending on the number of participants in the last five years, the importance of the nation as a "Speed skating nation" and the geographic situation of a nation (insideor outside Europe). The number of votes will be drawn up in the (Summer)session and valid for three successive years. Every nation of the IMSSC may have an assistant taking part in the sessions of the IMSSC.

(Consideration for this amendment is a better reflection of the larger and so more important Speed Skating Nations and to avoid that a number of nations with very few participants can stop an important proposal due to the fact that in a lot of Meetings there are not more than about 10 members out of 19. I have had a number of reactions on a different (draft)proposal and this one shows some reactions.

In an **attachment** I drafted an idea how it can be worked out.

### **Proposal 2:**

Arrival IMSSC: 12.10.2010

Dear Fellow members of the IMSSC,

I'd like to discuss a couple of matters with respect to the meetings of our board.

Until now we have a Summer-and a Winter meeting and only on the Winter meeting we can take important decisions.

Reason for that was that most of the members were only present on the Winter meeting due to the facts that they were speed skaters and took part on the competition and or it was to expensive to take part on both events and it was logical to chose the Winter meeting.

Now the travel expenses can be declared will it be easier to go to both meetings and can be considered to change the importance of the meetings and take all the important decisions on the Summer meeting and all minor decisions on the Winter meeting.

The most important reason to bring this up is that I personally have a lot of problems with stressful meetings only one day before my most important competition as active speed skater.

And last Winter session 8 out of 12 (deputy)members were active speed skaters with maybe the same problems.

Therefore I like to change Article 3: Sessions and Decisions of the IMMSC as follows:

 $2^{nd}$  Paragraph: instead of Winter Session (<u>Winter and Summer Session</u>).  $3^{rd}$  Paragraph can be removed.

#### **Proposal 3:**

Incorporating of a championship single distances in the All-round championship as we do in the Netherlands. The only disadvantage is that the victory celebration will be a little longer, but a lot of the overall numbers 1,2 and 3 will be also there on the single distances. Every race in the All-round competition can be used as a Single Distance to add a limited number of Single Distance participants and besides you can add a few distances, which are not part of the All-round competition.

It is wise to work with time limits to avoid too many participants per distance because there are already all the All-rounders and because it will be obvious that a lot of the All-rounders will rank high in the Single Distance competition and it is only attractive for the Single Distance participant if he/she can compete with the (sub)top of the All-rounders!

#### Therefore I will add Rule 2.1.4 Masters' International Single Distances.

Masters' International Single Distances will be held at the same time and location as the Masters 'International All-round Games.

<u>Every participant in the All-round Games will take part in the Single Distance with his</u> <u>times made during the All-round competition.</u>

<u>A participant, who only compete in the Single Distance has to meet a time limit on all distances.</u>

The time limits for the competition will be set up every year by the board of the IMMSC

#### **PROPOSAL 4:**

Arrival IMSSC: 12.10.2010

Every year I try to introduce time limits and every tournament you can see that it is necessary to avoid an unfair competition. Besides that I try to pursue the KNSB to be official part of the 1<sup>st</sup> coming tournament organised by the Dutch and they are considering it, but one of the conditions will certainly be time limits because they will connect their Status on a "Mickey Mouse" competition with participants who can hardly skate from a Dutch point of view.

# Therefore I will add Rule 2.3.1 Limit times for International Masters' Speed skating Games.

Every participant has to inform the national IMSSC member of his(her) most recent time on the distances.

It is the responsibility of the IMSSC member to accept the times. If the applicable time does not meet the IMSSC standard, the participant cannot take part in the competition unless the national IMSSC member decides otherwise in a written consent with an explanation.

<u>The board of the IMSSC will set up and publish the standard as frequent as she considers necessary.</u>