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Minutes

34th IMSSC Session in Amsterdam/The Netherlands

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Session Opening

The meeting was opened by Volker Serini, who welcomed the participants, especially also Aris Dijkstra/NED, Honorary Member and one of the IMSSC foundation members in 1994, the deputies Mike Rivet/CAN, David Travnicek/CZE and Paolo Gemme/ESP and the IMSSC Member Candidates Kenji Takai/JAP, Azamat Ismailov/KAZ and Jan Landelius/SWE.

1. Appointment Secretary Session Minutes

Paolo Gemme was proposed as Secretary of the Session Minutes and appointed unanimously.

2. Approval of the Minutes 33rd IMSSC Session in Krefeld/GER

The Minutes of the 33rd IMSSC Session in Krefeld/GER were approved unanimously.

3. New IMSSC Members, Change of IMSSC Members

Two proposals of New IMSSC Members and three proposals of Change of IMSSC Members were presented by Germany/IMSSC Office as follows:

3.1. Germany/Proposal 1 – New IMSSC Member KAZ

Azamat Ismailov was presented as new member for Kazakhstan. He was appointed unanimously as IMSSC member for Kazakhstan. As new member of a new country he can vote from the next IMSSC Session in 2012.

3.2. Germany/Proposal 2 – New IMSSC Member JAP

Kenji Takai was presented as new member for Japan. He was appointed unanimously as IMSSC Member for Japan. As new member of a new country he can vote from the next IMSSC Session in 2012.

3.3. Germany/Proposal 3 – Change IMSSC Member SUI

The current IMSSC Member for Switzerland, Markus Ulmer, proposed Hans-Peter Ambass as candidate for succession. Hans-Peter Ambass was appointed unanimously as new IMSSC Member of Switzerland. As changed Member he can vote for SUI at this IMSSC Session.

3.4. Germany/Proposal 4 – Change IMSSC Member SWE

Jan Landelius was presented as successor of the former IMSSC Member for Sweden, Donald Drielsma. Jan Landelius was appointed unanimously as new IMSSC Member of Sweden. As changed Member he can vote for SWE at this IMSSC Session.

3.5. Germany/Proposal 5 – Discussion Change IMSSC Member RUS

Boris Repnin has been proposed as IMSSC Member by the Russian Skating Union but Vladimir Tkachenko is just IMSSC member for Russia and, according to IMSSC rules, every country can only have one IMSSC member. There could not be reached an agreement of all IMSSC members to discuss the matter at all. Because there is no IMSSC Rule for changing a member, the proposal to discuss the proposal of the Russian Speed Skating Association had to be drawn back.

4. Approval of the IMSSC Record List 2011

SAS reported on the record list issue: SAS, as IMSSC statistician, took care about this matter since 7...8 years and after a long discussion with BdV about rules and documents needed for the record approval, he decided to prepare for that session a powerpoint (ppt) presentation in order to better describe the record approval and all the work behind it. The ppt presentation deeply describes the following issue:

- **Required documentation:** the slide shows the difference between the required documentation by ISU and by IMSSC; the required documentation necessary for an IMSSC record approval is little than that one for an ISU record;
- **Important checks:** after the reception of the required IMSSC documentation, SAS has to perform important checks (time/points correct ? Races conducted according to ISU/IMSSC rules ? Age group correct ?) in order to approve the record: those checks require long time but SAS firmly stated that are necessary in order to approve the record and it is no possible to bypass them so it is really important to receive the right documentation;
- **Appointed referees/starters may make errors:** the slide shows a list of human errors made by the Officials during the last three years: according to the item “Berlin 2011 - Unregular starting procedures”, PG and AL reported that those human errors are not meaningful for a record approval and that is no possible to refuse a record for an irregular start;
- **Example of contradictory protocols or timing sheets:** in some slides are reported example of contradictory protocols, one in particular shows that the time on the 3.000m assigned to Vladimir Kostin is different on the documents provided by the Organizer (4.02.58 and 4.05.99);
- **Example of complete and poor list of Officials:** SAS pointed out that a complete list of Officials assures that all the checks during the competition were carried out; in addition SAS reported that he checks if the Official is included in the ISU, International or National list of Officials: according to that issue BdV asked if SAS has the right to verify Officials names and SAS replied that the applicant can produce fake documentation and that check could assure him that at least is compliant to ISU rules. Again BdV complained about a lot of info requested that seems SAS do not trust the Jury or ask for work that is not necessary. VS stated that good protocol with all the item should be produced by all the Organizers.

The list of IMSSC records List 2011 was distributed by SAS to all members: 79 IMSSC records were achieved in the season 2010-2011. The records written in blue colour are “bit questionable” and are the following:

- **All the records obtained in Salt Lake City (March 4th ...6th):** those record will be accepted if there will be evidence of the time list;
- **Allround Ladies and Allround Small Men records obtained in Calgary (February 25th...27th):** those records were obtained not according IMSSC rules, in particular not as an option of distances sequence stated in our rules (from shorter to longest distance); SAS contacted the chairman of the ISU Technical Committee Speed Skating, Tron Espeli, who assured that those records could be accepted (accepted also in the past when an athlete run three distances in a day).

SAS will publish the IMSSC records List 2011 on the IMSSC web site within two weeks: so the records obtained in Salt Lake City will be accepted and published only if the necessary time list will be sent to SAS by the Organizer within June 11th.

The IMSSC Records List 2011 with the pending decision about the recognition of records in Salt Lake City, as above described, was approved unanimously.

5. Allround Games and Sprint Games Candidates 2014

IMSSC Office received three proposals for the Allround Games in 2014 as follow:

- **Fort St.John/CAN:** covered ice hall situated in the region of British Columbia; the Organizer can accept 200...300 participants for a competition of 4 days; not possible to organize that event in 2015; possibilities explained very well in detail in the bid for hosting the Allround Games.
- **Stavanger/NOR:** new covered ice hall situated North-West Norway; the Organizer can accept 200 participants; SAS presented the event by means of a ppt presentation;
- **Kolomna/RUS:** covered ice hall; the Organizer can accept 300 participants for a competition of 3 days. Well known place from International Masters' Competitions.

After the short discussion the votes for the three candidates were: 13 votes for Stavanger/NOR, 1 vote for Fort St.John/CAN and 0 (zero) vote for Kolomna/RUS; so **Stavanger/NOR was accepted as Organizer of the Allround Games 2014.**

IMSSC Office received three proposals for the Sprint Games in 2014 as follow:

- **Baselga di Pinè/ITA:** outdoor ice track; 300 competitors possible; SAS reported that too many times the Games were held in Baselga; AN reported that the track could be covered at that time if the Universiadi 2014 will be assigned to Baselga di Pinè;
- **Astana/KAZ:** new covered ice hall; AI presented the event by means of a ppt presentation; new ice hall with hotel for 120 guests inside; they will offer free ice for training, hotel with high discount (under negotiation), rich cultural program; easy way to get VISA at a cost of 35€;
- **Kolomna/RUS:** covered ice hall. 250 Competitors possible. Well known place from International Masters' Competitions.

After the short discussion the votes for the three candidates were: 8 votes for Astana/KAZ, 4 votes for Kolomna/RUS and 2 votes for Baselga di Pinè/ITA so **Astana/KAZ was accepted as Organizer of the Sprint Games 2014.**

6. Allround Games in Erfurt/GER 2012:

VS reported that the Allround Games 2012 are confirmed in Erfurt/GER on March 9th ... 11th and the possible entries are 235. VS distributed to all members the document that shows the number of participants of each nation to the Allround Games since 2004 and the quota proposal for the next one. After a short discussion among the members the quota agreed are as follow:

- Finland	12
- Germany	40
- Italy	12
- Netherlands	66
- Norway	44
- Russia	18
- Others	43
Total	235

7. Sprint Games in Heerenveen/NED 2012:

BdV reported that the Sprint Games 2012 are confirmed in Heerenveen/NED on February 25th and 26th and the possible entries are 280. VS distributed to all members the document that shows the number of participants of each nation to the Sprint Games since 2009 and the quota proposal for the next one. After a short discussion among the members the quota agreed are as follow:

- Finland	14
- Germany	37
- Italy	13
- Netherlands	84
- Norway	62
- Russia	28
- Others	42
Total	280

8. Others International Masters Competitions in 2011/2012:

VS listed all the other International Masters Competitions in 2011/2012 besides the Games and asked information or confirmation to the members involved: after the discussion the competition list in chronological order is the following:

- Nov.19th and 20th, Erfurt/GER – 8th Criterion: competition not yet confirmed, still planned by the Organizer;
- Nov./Dec., Astana/KAZ - 1st Kazakh Contest: AI has to confirm a date but he reported that could be in November one week before or after the World Cup competition in Astana (Nov.25..27);
- Dec.10th and 11th, Baselga di Pinè/ITA – 6th Revival: competition confirmed;
- Jan.7th and 8th, Milwaukee/USA – 2nd USA Single Distance Championships: competition confirmed;

- Jan.14th and 15th , Davos/SUI – 12th Davos Meeting: competition still planned by the Organizer;
- Jan.21st and 22nd , Hamar/NOR – 9th Single Distance Races: date planned but still trying to find an Organizer;
- Jan.28th and 29th , Inzell/GER – 15th Sprint Classic: competition confirmed;
- Feb.4th and 5th , Fort St.John/CAN – 4th Canadian Open: competition confirmed;
- Feb.18th and 19th , Berlin/GER – 15th Master Cup: date proposed but confirmation in June;
- Feb.25th and 26th , Heerenveen/NED – 4th Sprint Games: competition confirmed;
- Mar.9th ... 11th , Erfurt/GER – 21st Allround Games: competition confirmed;
- Mar.23rd ... 25th , Kolomna/RUS – 2nd Russian Single Distance Races: VS proposed to maintain same week as per last edition; competition confirmed after the session;
- Mar., Heerenveen/NED – 5th Heerenveen Sprint: date to be confirmed;
- Mar., Heerenveen/NED – 9th Long Distance Races: date to be confirmed;
- NN, Kearns/USA – 10K Wednesday: Not held in 2011/2012;
- NN, Kearns/USA – Champions Challenge: Not held in 2011/2012.

9. Financial Report 2010, Preview 2011

Bram presented the IMSSC account statement for 2010 and a preview for 2011, reported about the cash audit and answered to several questions. The Bank accounts on 31 Dec 2010 were 6.585 €, the Capital 31 Dec 2010 was 6.817 €. The Income from Competition contribution in 2010 was 7.515 €. The Income from competition contribution in 2011 is estimated as 8.216 €.

The travelling expenses (travel, hotel) of the IMSSC Members and IMSSC Member Deputies to the IMSSC Session can be born for the 34th IMSSC Session in Amsterdam 2011 probably to 100 %. If this will also be possible for the 35th IMSSC Session in 2012 is not secured, it depends also of the uncertain IMSSG Budget 2011 and 2012 given by the ISU Council (see 11.2), which is not only a help for the IMSSG but also for the IMSSC.

10. Proposals for changing IMSSC Constitution and Regulations and Other Proposals:

The proposals received from the various IMSSC members were 33 listed below in chronological order of arrival:

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| - Spain | 1 proposal | arrival 23 Mar 2011 |
| - Austria | 1 proposal | arrival 27 Mar 2011 |
| - Russia | 3 proposals | arrival 06 Apr 2011 |
| - Germany | 9 proposals | arrival 11 Apr 2011 |
| - Norway | 8 proposals | arrival 15 Apr 2011 |
| - Italy | 3 proposals | arrival 15 Apr 2011 |
| - The Netherlands | 6 proposals | arrival 16 Apr 2011 (delayed) |
| - USA | 2 proposals | arrival 17 Apr 2011 (delayed) |

Due to time limitation, VS proposed to discuss the proposals most important or those that require less discussion time and to postpone all the others.

Proposal Spain

- **ESP – 4th distance at World Master Games:** it is proposed an alternative competition like a 5.000m/3.000m (according to age group) pack style for those

- participants that are not qualified to the 4th distance in an Allround Games. VS proposed to reduce the number of participants and increase the number of skaters in the 4th distance: BdV was not in favour of VS proposal and pointed out that is no
- possible due to the time needed by lower skaters but anyway was in favour for a pack style competition. Also AL was in favour for a pack style competition and he reported that those competitions are really easy to organize because all skaters start together and if someone is doubled is disqualified and at the end you need only to
- specify the classification of the skaters (1st, 2nd, 3rd,). AL also reported his experience in USA where they used to divide the participants in two groups (more than 50 years old and less than 50 years old), of course some adaptations on the distances (5.000m/3.000m) according to the age groups and gender (M30-60, M65+/L) should be taken into account. VS will propose to the Organizer of the Allround Games in Erfurt the organization of such pack style competition: the proposal is unanimously accepted.

Proposal Austria

- **AUT – Doping control:** the proposal is postponed to the next IMSSC session. SAS complains about English language and asked to cooperate with him for the next version.

Proposals Russia

- **RUS/1 – Competitions:** the proposal is postponed to the next IMSSC session.
- **RUS/2 – Long Distance Games:** the proposal is postponed to the next IMSSC session.
- **RUS/3 – Limit time:** the proposal is postponed to the next IMSSC session.

Proposals Germany

- **GER/1...5 – New or change IMSSC members:** all those five proposals were just discussed under item 3 of the agenda.
- **GER/6 – Game Organizer: Club/Regional or National Association:** the proposal is postponed to the next IMSSC session.
- **GER/7 – Allround Games, Optional Programs:** it is proposed to add two programs (H and K) to the existent ones in Rule 3.1.1 § 5, Three day competitions.
Voting: 13 votes for, 1 abstention – accepted.
- **GER/8 – Sprint Competition, Last Distance:** it is proposed to add that all competitors are admitted in the last distance in a Sprint competitions including Sprint Games.
Voting: 13 votes for, 1 abstention – accepted.
- **GER/9 – Sprint Competition Group:** it is proposed that if there are more than 100 participants in a Sprint competition, the 5 year age group shall be divided into 2 or more groups of 5 years age groups; those groups shall skate their two distances separate so that the time between the two distances does not get too long.
Voting: 14 votes for – accepted.

Proposals Norway

- **NOR/1 – Modification of Rule 3.2: Entry (first paragraph):** it is proposed some modifications in order to make the paragraph shorter and clearer.
Voting: 14 votes for – accepted.
- **NOR/2 – Modification of Rule 3.6: Seeding at Masters’ Single Distances Races:** it is proposed to change the title of the Rule in “Seeding” only and to add a text, before the existing one, that specifies that on the first two distances of Allround and Sprint.
Games the skaters shall be seeded in three groups before drawing according to their best times.
Voting: 14 votes for – accepted.
- **NOR/3 – Modification of Rule 3.7: Restriction of Participants in the Last Distance:** it is proposed to change the title of the Rule in “Participants in the Last Distance” and to add a new paragraph at the end that states that at a Sprint competition all skaters are accepted for the competition must be allowed to skate also the last distance.
Voting: 14 votes for – accepted unanimously.
- **NOR/4 – Modification of Rule 4.2: Single Distances and Allround Competitions:** it is proposed to use the wording “total of points” that is the term used in the ISU Rules.
Voting: 14 votes for – accepted.
- **NOR/5 – Modification of Rule 4.2: Single Distances and Allround Competitions (last paragraph):** it is proposed to move last paragraph related to records recognition to Rule 4.4.8.
Voting: 14 votes for – accepted.
- **NOR/6 – Modification of Rule 4.4.8:** it is proposed to combine all provisions for 3 and 4 Distance Combinations in one rule and to remove a conflicting rule.
Voting: 14 votes for – accepted.
- **NOR/7 – Modification of Rule 4.4.11:** the proposal is postponed to the next IMSSC session.
- **NOR/8 – Modification of standard model Announcement of the Games:** it is proposed a new text in the announcement of the Games where there is a limitation of participants; the new text states that if the quota of entries of one or more nations is not filled until the entry deadline, the remaining free entries shall be distributed among the nations having more entries than quota in relation to their quota.
Voting: 14 votes for – accepted unanimously.

Proposals Italy

- **ITA/1 – Modification of Rule 3.7: Restriction of Participants in the Last Distance:** it is proposed to fill up the quartets in the last distance of an Allround competition in order to allow more participants to skate it.
Voting: 12 votes for, 2 abstentions – accepted.
- **ITA/2 – Substitution of a skater in the entry after the registration deadline:** it is proposed to exchange the name of a skater after the registration deadline in those competition where a deposit is requested otherwise the deposit is lost.
Voting: 2 votes for, 12 votes against – rejected.
- **ITA/3 – Adding a requirement for the final banquet to the Organizer of a Master Games:** it is proposed to add a requirement to the Organizer of a Master Games that has to assure a suitable place at the final banquet for everyone; the requirement is to assign places at the table to each nation involved by means of a placeholder. VS proposed to cooperate with PG in order to update the document “Advice to the Organizer of a Master Games” with that proposal. The proposal was unanimously accepted.

The following proposals from NED and USA arrived after the deadline of April 15th and VS asked the voting for their discussion: more than the necessary 2/3 majority voted for the discussions of those proposals.

Proposals The Netherlands

- **NED/1 – Addition to Art.2:** it is proposed to add that the maximum age for a candidate member is 75 years; in addition if the elected member joins that age will continue to be an active member acc.to ISU Rule 14.3. VS pointed out that ISU Rule 14.3 refers to Council and Disciplinary Commission members so he doesn't agree on it; BdV confirmed that he used ISU Rule 14.3 as reference and not as rule; SAS reported that he need to discuss the consequences of that decision and proposed to postpone that proposal: the decision was unanimously agreed.
The proposal is postponed to the next IMSSC session.
- **NED/2 – Addition to Art.2, 3rd line:** it is proposed that a member can be in that state for four successive years and in addition that a member may not serve for more than three successive four years term. BdV added that a member shall be elected every 4 years by the participants of each IMSSC session; PG pointed out that the period of 3x4 years could be too little for experienced and important members while SAS proposed a limit of 4x4 years with first election next year. At the end of the discussion two proposals were submitted:
 - i. **First proposal** - text: “for a term of four successive years.”
Voting: 9 votes for, 5 votes against - accepted.
 - ii. **Second proposal** - text: “for a term of four successive years. All elected members may not serve for more than 4 successive four years terms.”
AN proposed to postponed the issue and better study the consequences: the decision is agreed unanimously than the second proposal is postponed to the next IMSSC session.
- **NED/3 – Addition to Art.2:** it is proposed to pay the 75% of the travel expenses of the assistants of the Board member from NED, NOR, GER, USA, CAN, FIN and SUI. SAS asked why the payment is limited to those countries and not extended to others; BdV proposed to extend the payment to those countries that host an IMSSC event or countries with more than 10 active skaters. VS pointed out that there are founding problems and that is difficult to satisfy such a proposal.
Voting: 6 votes for, 6 against, 2 abstentions – not accepted.
- **NED/4 – Addition to Art.2:** it is proposed that voting about persons has to be done in writing, about other matters can be decide in the meeting.
Voting: 12 votes for, 2 votes against – accepted.
- **NED/5 – Rule 3.6 Seeding:** the proposal is skipped because just discussed in the proposal NOR/2 on the same subject.
- **NED/6 – Addition to Rule 2.3.1:** it is proposed that the Organizer of a Master Games has the right to maintain limit times: the reason is that some slower skaters can cause troubles to other participants. SAS pointed out that it is the 6th times that BdV proposed it and he also reported that in Calgary there were some problems with slower skaters due to the fact that CAN is promoting speedskating and if we accept that proposal there will be a contradiction but seeding will solve naturally the problem. BdV declared that those problems could arise in Heerenveen where the time is limited and there is no time for “Miky Mouse” skaters. KT proposed two categories of skaters, faster and slower. MR reported that some skaters in Calgary were not in proper form.
Voting: 4 votes for, 7 votes against – not accepted.

Proposals USA

- **USA/1 – Replacing IMSSC representatives:** it is proposed to replace a member after two successive years absence without satisfactory explanation.
Voting: 12 votes for, 2 votes against – accepted.
- **USA/2 – Reporting of IMSSC member activities:** it is proposed to report at the IMSSC session for not more than 5 minutes by each nation about the activities and “state of Masters speedskating” in each country. After the discussion it is proposed that every IMSSC Member sends a written report about Masters’ activities in his country 6 weeks before the IMSSC session to the IMSSC Office. These reports will be sent together with the proposals to the IMSSC Members before the IMSSC session: that proposal will be reported in the Minutes but not in the IMSSC rules.
Voting: 14 votes for – accepted.

11. ISU Matters

11.1. Proposals 2009 to National Associations concerning Masters ISU Rules

VS reported that according to the decision of the IMSSC the IMSSC Office has proposed to all National Skating Federations with Masters to make a proposal to the ISU Congress in Barcelona in June 2010 to accept Masters’ World Championships. Some of the Federations showed positive resonance to our proposal but there was no proposal by any Federation at the ISU Congress. AL will try that US Speed Skating makes such a proposal to the next ISU Congress in June 2012, perhaps together with the KNSB (NED). VS recommends to prepare this proposal very soon and to look for the closing date for proposals to the ISU Congress.

11.2. ISU Contacts

Hugo Herrnhof, ISU Speed Skating Sports Director, visited the 7th Masters’ International Criterion in Erfurt on 13 Nov 2010. Hugo Herrnhof informed VS that the ISU Council had accepted the Budget Proposal of the IMSSG for 2011. VS discussed with him about Masters International Speed Skating Competitions, about solutions of Masters problems and about the cooperation between IMSSC and ISU. As VS asked the ISU Office for remitting the IMSSG Budget 2011 in Feb 2011 he got the information that it was accepted of the Council only under the provision that VS would agree with the restriction of Masters age to 35 – 75 years. VS discussed this matter with Jan Dijkema, ISU Vice President at the World Championships in Inzell/GER in March 2011 and informed the ISU Council by a letter that only the IMSSC Session could alter the age groups of the Masters, but that the IMSSG would prefer to use the age groups as before because of a lot of reasons which were listed in the letter, and that the IMSSG would propose to unblock the IMSSG Budget. The ISU Council will discuss this letter at a session in June 2011.

12. Miscellaneous

12.1. Claim for Travelling Expenses

IMSSC Members and IMSSC Member Deputies are asked to send their claim for travelling expenses immediately to the IMSSC Treasurer Bram de Vries, Burgemeester Padmosweg 81, NL-3648 BD Wilnis, The Netherlands, email: bramdevries@xs4all.nl.

12.2. Thanks

VS expressed a lot of thanks of the IMSSC to Dr. Ulla-Maj Björres and Matti Kilpeläinen, Secretaries of the Minutes of the 33th Session in Krefeld, to Sven-Åge Svensson, Statistician of the IMSSC and to Bram de Vries, Treasurer of the IMSSC, for their extensive and good work in 2010/2011.

12.3. Next IMSSC Session

35th IMSSC Session in Krefeld/GER on June 2nd 2012, 10:00 - 18:00.

Voting: 13 votes for – accepted.

INTERNATIONAL MASTERS' SPEED SKATING COMMITTEE (IMSSC)

Milan, July 10th 2011

Paolo Gemme

(Paolo Gemme, Assistant ITA, Deputy ESP and Secretary Minutes)

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