



國際龍舟聯合會

INTERNATIONAL DRAGON BOAT FEDERATION

Minutes of 17th IDBF Members Ordinary Congress held in Pattaya, Thailand 26th August 2019

<p>Executive Committee 执委会</p> <p>President 会长 Senior Vice President 副会长 2nd Vice President 副会长 3rd Vice President 副会长 4th Vice President 副会长 General Secretary 总书记 Deputy General Secretary 副总书记 Treasurer 财长 Deputy Treasurer 副财长 Competition & Technical Commission Chair 竞争和技术委员会 - 会长 Athlete's Commission Chair 选手委员会 - 会长</p> <p>Commissions 委员会</p> <p>Marketing & Media (M&MC) 市场业务 Medical & Sports Science (M&SS) 医疗 Youth (YC) 青年选手 Women Athletes (WAC) 女选手 Sport for All (SC) Entourage Committee (EC) 随行</p> <p>Continental 大陆性</p> <p>African Dragon Boat Federation (ADBF) 非洲 Asian Dragon Boat Federation (ADBF) 亚洲 European Dragon Boat Federation (EDBF) 欧洲 Oceania Dragon Boat Federation (ODBF) 大洋洲</p> <p>Pan America Dragon Boat Federation (PADBF) 反美</p> <p>Associate Members 准会员</p> <p>International Breast Cancer Paddlers Commission (IBCPC) 国际乳癌运动员委员会 International Ice Dragon Boat Federation (IIDBF) 国际冰龙舟委员会</p> <p>Special Guests 特别客串</p> <p>Honorary Founding President 荣誉元勋会长 Vice-President GAISF, President AIMS</p>	<p>Mike Thomas Raymond Ma Matt Smith Julie Doyle Peter Jarosi Peter Tang Yu Hanqiao Alan Van Caubergh Loretta Lewis Melanie Cantwell</p> <p>Sue Holloway</p> <p>Belinda Chung Bridget Walter Patrick Cosgrave Ellen Law Tom Joseph Barbara Michaels</p> <p>Apologies Yu Hanqiao Claudio Schermi Meri Gibson</p> <p>Franco Siu Chong</p> <p>Meri Gibson</p> <p>Luo Zhongyi</p> <p>Mike MacKeddie-Haslam Stephane Fox</p>	<p>Great Britain 英国 Hong Kong 香港 Canada 加拿大 Ireland 爱尔兰 Hungary 匈牙利 Macau China 澳门 China 中国 Netherlands 荷兰 Australia 澳大利亚 Australia 澳大利亚</p> <p>Canada 加拿大</p> <p>Australia 澳大利亚 Switzerland 瑞士 Great Britain 英国 USA 美国 India 印度 USA 美国</p> <p>China 中国 Italy 意大利 New Zealand 新西兰 Trinidad & Tobago 特立尼达和多巴哥</p> <p>New Zealand 新西兰</p> <p>China 中国</p> <p>Great Britain 英国</p>
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GAISF 副会长和 AIMS会长		
<p style="text-align: center;">Member Representatives 会员代表</p> <p>Australia 澳大利亚 Canada加拿大</p> <p>China中国</p> <p>Chinese Taipei 台湾</p> <p>Cyprus 塞浦路斯 Germany 德国 Great Britain 英国 Hong Kong China 香港</p> <p>Hungary 匈牙利 India 印度</p> <p>Indonesia 印度尼西亚 Italy 意大利 Japan 日本</p> <p>Korea 韩国</p> <p>Macau China 澳门</p> <p>Myanmar 缅甸 New Zealand 新西兰</p> <p>Philippines 菲律宾 – arrived at 10:14 am Puerto Rico 波多黎各 Russia 俄罗斯 Singapore 新加坡 Spain西班牙 Sweden 瑞典 Switzerland 瑞士 Thailand 泰国 Trinidad and Tobago 特立尼达和多巴哥</p> <p>South Africa 南非周 Ukraine 乌克兰</p> <p>USA 美国</p>	<p>John Holland Scott Murray Catherine Edwards Yu Hanqiao He Yi Chen Ming Shong Chang Chih Man Michael Kerkmann Ute Becker-Frenzel David Bangs Chung Chi Lok. Arnold Frank Wong Cindy Tsui Csenge Schneider-Bathory Regi K.S Taher Ahmed Surjit Singh Bajwa Budiman Settawan De Luca Antonio Makoto Shobu Hiroyuki Morinaga Eonsik Kim Gabin Choi Chung Hon Kun Lo Chi Fai Dr. Than Toe Noel Anderton Evan Roger Nyllressan Factolarin Carlos L Rivera Vitaly Smirnoff Gordon Choi Jose Moya Robin Magnusson Bridget Walter Chainaronk Charoenruk Natalie Attin Keith Dalip Rsui Chong Abdul Edross Valerie Morgun Oleksi Morgun Olena Serdyk Katiryna Kova. Andrew Seymanski</p>	

<p style="text-align: center;">Apologies</p> <p>5th Vice President 第5副会长</p>	<p>Fan Guangsheng</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Observers</p> <p>Egypt 埃及</p> <p>Malaysia 马来西亚</p> <p>Poland 波兰</p> <p>United States 美国</p>	<p>Ehab Gouda Mary Lai Dick Lim Corinna Wong Stawomiv Borucki Paula Humphries Linda Donner</p>	
<p>Minutes Taken by: 记录</p>	<p>Janine Lette Victoria Chang</p>	<p>Australia 澳大利亚 Canada 加拿大</p>
<p>The congress commenced at: 会议开始</p>	<p>09 30</p>	
<p>The congress terminated at: 会议结束</p>	<p>15 43</p>	

	Agenda Item 议题	Action 行动
1	<p>Opening of Congress and the President's Address</p> <p>In opening the congress, the President welcomed the members to the 17th Congress and thanked the Rowing and Canoeing Association of Thailand for their hard work in arranging the World Championships at an excellent alternative venue.</p> <p>The President explained that all reports and documents related to congress are in the package presented to each delegation, and that the agenda can be found at the end of the package.</p> <p>The President continued the opening address by welcoming special keynote speaker Stephan Fox, Vice-President of GAISF and President of AIMS.</p>	
2	<p>Identification of the delegates and confirmation of their authority</p> <p>Australia 澳大利亚 Canada 加拿大 China 中国 Chinese Taipei 台湾 Cyprus 塞浦路斯 France - proxy by voting form Germany 德国 Great Britain 英国 Hong Kong China 香港 Hungary 匈牙利 India 印度 Indonesia 印度尼西亚 Ireland - proxy by Janine Lette Italy 意大利 Japan 日本 Korea 韩国 Macau China 澳门 Myanmar 缅甸 Netherlands - proxy by voting form New Zealand 新西兰 Norway - proxy by voting form Panama - proxy by Franco Siu Chong Philippines 菲律宾 – arrived at 10:14 am Puerto Rico Russia 俄罗斯 Serbia - proxy by voting form Singapore 新加坡 Spain 西班牙 Sweden 瑞典 Switzerland 瑞士 Thailand 泰国 Trinidad and Tobago 特立尼达和多巴哥 South Africa UAE - proxy by voting form Ukraine 乌克兰 USA 美国</p> <p>29 voting Members present 2 Proxy representatives – Panama (Franco Siu Chong) and Ireland (Janine Lette) 5 Proxy votes – France, Serbia, Norway, UAE, and the Netherlands 36 votes total</p>	

3	<p>Appointment of scrutineers for the period of the Congress</p> <p>The following individuals were appointed: Meri Gibson - IBCPC Barbara Michaels - EC</p>	
4	<p>Keynote Speaker – Mr. Stephan Fox, Vice President GAISF, President AIMS</p> <p>GAISF: Global Association of International Sport Federations AIMS: Alliance of Independent Recognised Members of Sport</p> <p>Stephan Fox thanked the Congress for the opportunity to speak and congratulates the RCAT and IDBF for hosting an amazing championship.</p> <p>He began his speech explaining the process of recognizing non-Olympic sports like the IDBF and presented a video made by GAISF. The video highlighted that there are currently 92 members from all groups – both IOC recognized and unrecognized. These included water sports, land sports, Summer Games and Winter Games sports, combat sports, and others.</p> <p>He continued by emphasizing the importance of being part of GAISF and AIMS in order to be recognized by the IOC. To be recognized by the IOC, an organization must be a FULL Member of GAISF. He then explained the criteria to be recognized by the IOC and that the IDBF fulfills these criteria, and in fact exceeds in several of the areas. The criteria include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • no rivalry with other GAISF Members; • global representation/recognition of the sport (can see here in Pattaya that we are truly a sport that fulfils global concepts); • need 40 Members to be recognized (The IDBF holds more than this; there are restrictions to what is a National Federation); • organizational criteria (acknowledged that we are as good as the Olympic Sports, working towards gender balance); • Sport criteria (event participation, event presentation, main achievements); • Must be a member of AIMS; <p>He then showed another video explaining the connection between AIMS and GAISF.</p> <p>The IOC and AIMS have a very strong relationship. As many sports want to be recognized, it is very important that they become members of AIMS. The organization’s objective is to have all AIMS sports recognized by the IOC. In 2018, they pushed very hard to get 4 of 18 sports recognized.</p> <p>AIMS plans to have a stronger agreement signed in Beijing 2022. During this process, AIMS will bring its members to the IOC and advise who should be next to apply for recognition. He suggested the IDBF to have everything in place and operating before the application is made; this includes adhering to the Olympic Charter and the criteria he mentioned earlier.</p> <p>He then spoke about the conflict the IDBF has with ICF and how it needs to be solved. He mentioned that the ICF is trying to steal the sport from the IDBF. The next steps in how to deal with the conflict have been discussed with Mike Thomas including taking the issue to the IOC Ethics committee. AIMS and GAISF are standing firm with IDBF.</p> <p>Gifts were presented to Mike Thomas and Mike Haslam by Stephan Fox</p> <p>Mike Thomas in thanking Stephan for his presentation, welcomed and agreed with</p>	

	Stephan's comments.	
5	<p>Minutes of 16th Congress No amendments and accepted as presented</p>	Accepted
6	<p>Matters Arising Nil raised from the floor</p>	
7	<p>President's Report – Mike Thomas A full written report was circulated.</p> <p>The President addressed the Congress and highlighted certain important issues.</p> <p>Relationship with ICF A new strategy now required in relation to the ICF as they have changed and increased their movements since the last Congress in 2017. He suggested that there will no longer be discussions of joint championships and explained that a complaint has been filled with GAISF and the IOC Ethics Commission. The complaint was because the ICF is strongly trying to take over the sport in all multi-sport games including the Olympics.</p> <p>Numerous organizations like the Chinese Dragon Boat Association (CBDA) are suffering from the ICF's activities and they will need support from our Federation. It is confirmed by the Chinese Olympic Committee that all dragon boat activities in China are done through the CDDBA.</p> <p>The President encourages all members to not take part in ICF or organize ICF events.</p> <p>World Games At the moment, the dragon boat event is done under ICF. The IDBF will apply to be the organizer of the dragon boat event as the legitimate GAISF member representing the sport.</p> <p>Company status – IDBF Ltd. Issues around the IDBF's current incorporation in the Isle of Man may force the IDBF to relocate its incorporation. The IDBF is thoroughly investigating the options as to where they can go to register, which may include Switzerland, UK, Hong Kong, Australia, Canada, Netherlands. It is recommended that the Executive Committee consider these options carefully.</p> <p>World Cup 2021 The President and Treasurer, Alan van Caubergh, had a recent meeting with Prince Albert II of Monaco and it was agreed to arrange a World Cup in the iconic harbour of Monaco in summer 2021.</p> <p>IOC Channel A MOU has been signed with the Olympic Channel; we all need to make best use of this opportunity to showcase our sport. The videos shown at the closing ceremony will be provided to the Channel for viewing.</p>	Report accepted
8	<p>ACCOUNT, FINANCIAL REPORT and AUDITOR'S REPORT - Alan van Caubergh</p> <p>A full written report was circulated. In addition to the report, the treasurer highlighted the following items.</p> <p>There were significant changes mentioned in the 2018 unaudited report:</p>	

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Paddler levy - many members did not pay the paddler levy as many were not properly structured to collect it. The levy is to be discontinued and reimbursement will be given to the few that paid it. 2. Bank accounts - due to money laundering laws and other reasons, our HSBC account is now closed. The current bank account is with ING in the Netherlands, which uses both EURO and US currency. 3. 2018 World Cup - before establishing the ING account, the IDBF used an EDBF account for the event, which created an outstanding debt. The amount will be paid at the next World Cup 4. Appointment of auditor - previously it had been a Member who audited our reports. Now as a Limited Company, there is a criterion under the Isle of Man to have a professional company audit. Therefore, we established an auditor with an Australian company in 2017. 5. Years of CCWC yields much greater profit than WDBRC - this needs to be considered for future budget planning in a two-year cycle <p>EDBF President Claudio Schermi - suggested setting up a bank account in Switzerland Treasurer/President - the solution is not simple and needs to be thoroughly investigated</p>	Report accepted
9	<p>Appointment of Auditor - Treasurer Alan van Caubergh</p> <p>The Treasurer proposed to keep a relationship with the current auditor.</p>	Accepted
10	<p>Proposal of the Annual Subscription - Treasurer Alan van Caubergh</p> <p>FULL membership - increase 250 USD to 500 USD per year BASIC (to be renamed ORDINARY) - 0 USD per year ASSOCIATE - Joining fee of 100 USD for 2 years renewable</p> <p>He explained the BASIC membership is set to continue to recognize Federations with low income. If they wish to enter a Championship they can either pay a supplement fee per person or the full membership fee.</p>	<p>Vote: Agree - 25 Against - 1 Abstain - 4</p> <p>Proposal accepted</p>
11	<p>Budget for 1 Jan 2019 - 31 Dec 2020 - Alan van Caubergh</p> <p>The budget was circulated.</p> <p>The Treasurer noted the following expenses:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Anti-doping tests - more anti-doping tests will be conducted at the World Championships and World Cup; the tests will be important for IOC recognition 2. Marketing and media - increase exposure to media 3. Secretariat support - as the sport has grown so large, the federation cannot operate on volunteers alone. Therefore, an office has been established in Canada. Victoria Chang is our administrative assistant and is managed by Matt Smith, VP. 4. A deficit between WDBRC and CCWC 5. Commissions - the commissions are also a requirement for IOC recognition 6. Increase junior development 	<p>Vote: Against - 0 Abstain - 0</p> <p>Budget approved</p>
12	<p>Elections</p> <p>A voting form outlining the candidates seeking elections as President was distributed. The Congress then was handed over to Senior Vice President, Raymond Ma, and he proceeded to explain the election process.</p> <p>Each President candidate will leave the room but will individually return to speak for 5</p>	

	<p>minutes. Upon completion, the candidates are asked to leave the room and the Members will cast their vote.</p> <p>Alan van Caubergh first presented his speech, then Mike Thomas.</p> <p>The candidates were invited back into the room and the Senior Vice announced the result with Mike Thomas reelected.</p> <p>Mike thanked Alan for standing up and looking forward to continue working with him.</p> <p>Elections were also carried out for the following the Treasure and Chairs of Commissions.</p> <p>The following were elected: Treasurer - Alan van Caubergh Competition and Technical Commission - Melanie Cantwell Medical Commission - Bridget Walter Marketing & Media Commission - Belinda Chung Cultural Committee - He Yi</p>	<p>Votes: 21 total + 5 proxy Mike – 26 votes Alan – 10 votes RESULT: Mike re-elected.</p>
13	<p>Alterations to the Statutes</p> <p>Changes to Statutes were circulated to the members 10 days before congress with a proxy voting form. Voting forms were distributed and each change to an article was voted on individually. The full voting results are contained in appendix 1</p>	<p>All amendments achieved the required majority and were accepted, except Article 36 which failed.</p>
14	<p>Individual Proposals from Members</p> <p><u>British Dragon Boat Federation</u> - proposed changes to Statutes and Bye-Laws Voting forms were distributed and each change to Statute or Bye-Laws was voted on individually. The full voting results are contained in appendix 1 parts 2 and 3</p>	<p>All of the proposed changes were not carried by the majority required.</p>
15	<p>Notification of Changes Agreed by the Council to Bye-Laws; Competition Regulations and Racing Rules</p> <p>Bye-Laws The President asked if there are any objections to the Council's proposals for changes to the Bye-Laws - there were none.</p> <p>Competition Regulations <u>CR.1.5.2</u> - Reducing 7 crews down to 6 crews. This allows a maximum of 4 standard or 2 small boats. Athlete's Commission - do not support the reduction and suggested to allow the championship to grow US - also agree with the Athlete's Commission CT&C - pointed out that they don't want to restrict but a buffer time is needed as the maximum capacity of championships is reached. Currently, it prevents new countries to participate as we are at the limit of both competition and off-competition logistics. Cyprus - suggest to expand and not make this change at the moment</p> <p><u>CR.2.1.5</u> - Senior Class There has been a debate about making a change to two age groups of 40+ and 55+. The council therefore suggested that the following be implemented:</p>	<p>The changes to the Bye-laws recommended by Council were approved.</p> <p>Vote for reduction: Yes - 12 No - 15</p> <p>No change for CR.1.5.2</p>

<p>For World Nations Championships (WDBRC)</p> <p>Senior A - 40th or later birthday falls in the year of the competition. Senior B - 55th or later birthday falls in the year of the competition. With the 3 age groups of 40+, 50+ and 60+ retained for the Club Crew.</p> <p>The President commented that this had always been discussed informally and now was the time to make a decision.</p> <p>Athlete's Commission - as the quality of senior crews are growing, we suggest keeping the categories instead of reducing them. Germany - there are only a few crews for Senior C in European Club Crews, but there are more at WDBRC. Why should Senior C be restricted for WDBRC? US - opposes the change as the number of countries committing to Senior C is increasing. Currently there is a robust Senior C category; if we take a step back, we will not support those who are aging. CT&C - there are only 3 countries contesting in Senior B and C the last few days. One of the reasons for the change is that the competitors are spending 12-18 months and money travelling knowing that the competition will have a limited number of crews. US - dragon boat is the only sport that embraces the aging population</p> <p><u>CR.2.2.1</u> - New Regulation for Mixed Crews When there are sufficient numbers of men and women competitors entered in either or both small or standard boat open and women classes, then the mixed entry must be made in the standard boat. Sweden - suggest to give the member the choice</p> <p><u>CR.2.2.2</u> - New Regulation for Double Rostering A competitor, including drummer and helms, should only enter one (1) competition class. No allowance will be made in the programme or races delayed to allow a competitor to participate in more than one (1) competition class.</p> <p><u>CR.8.3.1</u> - Provisional entry is replaced with "Entry". The purpose of the new regulation is to firm up the numbers long before the event; late entries may attract a penalty.</p> <p><u>CR.1.5.1</u> Nations can only enter a standard OR small boat crew but not both in the same competition class. US - oppose change to Nations only being able to enter Standard OR Small Athlete's Commission - it is a good idea to keep the small boats for developing nations. The emphasis should stay on standard boats.</p> <p>Rules of Racing The President asked if there are any objections to the Council's proposals for changes to the Rules of Racing - there were none.</p>	<p>Vote for change: Yes - 8 No - 16 Abstain - 1</p> <p>No change for CR.2.1.5</p> <p>Vote for change: Yes - 17 No - 1 Abstain - 4 New regulation approved</p> <p>Vote for implementation: Yes - 16 No - 3 Abstain - 5 New regulation approved</p> <p>Vote for implementation Yes - 19 No - 0 Abstain - 5 New regulation approved</p> <p>Vote for change Yes - 8 No - 17</p> <p>No change for CR.1.5.1</p> <p>The changes to the Rules of Racing recommended by Council were approved.</p>
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16	<p>Reports on applications for membership New basic members: Mauritius, Bahrain, Cambodia Pakistan is currently being discussed with IDBF Executives</p>	All new members accepted unanimously by congress.
17	<p>World Championship Regattas Hong Kong 2021 A Powerpoint presentation was shown. Date: 1st - 7th November 2021; race days on 3rd to 7th Venue details:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 6 lanes of 13.5m - 39.2 km venue to airport - Max athlete capacity is 5 000 - The Kwun Tong Public Pier used for marshalling which has a 300-athlete capacity - A race control tower is being built - Semi-indoor site venue - Closing ceremony will have a 150-table capacity - There are 40 official hotels for the event <p>Questions: Germany - are these the official dates for regatta? Reply - yes, it is official USA - is there a consideration for junior championships? President - the Executive Committee will need to consider this as it will be a problem for the juniors. Five countries indicated the dates would be difficult for Juniors. Singapore - what is the weather conditions in November? Reply - 20-25 degrees President - What about humidity? Reply- it is dry, so nice, cool weather</p> <p>2022 CCWC Bids Montreal, Canada Representatives from Canada presented their bid including a video and drew attention to the following points from their presentation: Date: August 17 to 21st History: Hosted Winter Olympics, used for training and competition ground for world class athletes and top Canadian teams Venue details - Olympic Basin, located in Parc Jean Drapeau</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Uniform depth - Judges tower permanently built, with grandstands and lots of amenities - Venue located 10 minutes from the city centre; international airport just 20 minutes from Central Montreal - Very accessible with metro stops and public transit - Average weather - 26 to 29 degrees - Athlete participation fee of 65, which includes full access and racing needs <p>Other details:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cultural capital with food and entertainment of every culture - 1.7 billion people - Bilingual city of French and English - Accommodations range from high end to inexpensive stays like dormitories <p>Questions: Germany - what is the start arrangements? Reply - start platform that holds the boat from the tail, but we will consider other suggestions USA - what is the water depth? Reply - 2.6m</p>	The update was accepted with the need to find a solution for the Juniors

Szeged, Hungary - also bidding for 2023 and 2024

Representatives from Hungary presented their bid including a video and drew attention to the following points from their presentation:

Location would be Szeged with Budapest as a backup. A new world class regatta facility is being constructed in Budapest and will use that venue when it is complete.

History: organized 2009 ECCC in Budapest, 2013 WDBRC and 2018 CCWC in Szeged; we were able to accommodate all the athletes at the biggest CCWC last year

Venue: Maty-er National Kayak Canoe and Rowing Centre (Olympic training centre), River of Tirza (marathon course)

Renovations being made:

- Extended grandstands
- Road interconnected to islands
- Extended marshalling area
- Deeper waters at 4 to 4.2m
- VIP building
- Motel nearby

Accommodations - number of hotels in the vicinity are increasing

Questions:

Trinidad - what is the time and date of 2022?

Reply - in late July

Sarasota, United States of America

Representatives from the USA presented their bid including a video and drew attention to the following points from their presentation:

Date: June 2022

History: 2015 IBCPC festival, 2018 World Masters Rowing Festival, and numerous other regattas and world class events

Venue: Nathan Benderson Park

- 400 acres water that is closely monitored as it is part of the local water supply
- Grade A regatta standards: 3.5m deep minimum, 9 lanes of 13.5m wide
- Equipped with media equipment, umpire boats and safety vessels
- 5 floor finish tower permanently built
- IMAS cup system, Finish Lynx Photo system, dedicated WiFi
- Beach access in last 500m of regatta course

Other details:

- Very accessible: 15 min and 45 min away from both international airports, close to major Florida destinations
- Accommodations range from high end to inexpensive are available within a 5-min drive or 10-min bike ride from venue
- As we are in close relationship to the US Olympic Committee, we are experienced with visa issues. In the recent World Rowing Championships, we never lost an official or athlete due to visa requirements

Questions

C&TC - (to Canada) with other bids having water levels deeper than the minimum 3.5m and yours at 2.5m, what do you see in competing in Montreal?

Reply - fair competition for all the athletes

C&TC - (to USA) how will you deal with weather conditions as we have experienced in Tampa?

Reply - have links with National weather forecaster to monitor and have early warnings

C&TC - a number of Nations had immigration issues in 2011; how would you overcome this?

	<p><u>Athlete's Commission (AC)</u> See attached report</p> <p><u>Youth Commission</u> See attached report A survey was conducted before Szeged, but there were only 9 responses. Therefore, more participants are needed. This will be sent again as it is an important area for development. We are also seeking additional members to the Commission.</p> <p><u>Women's Commission</u> See attached report IOC is pushing gender balance within sports organizations; this commission will help with that.</p> <p><u>Sport for All Commission</u> See attached report Out of all sports, we are very good in this category. But as this is a new commission, we need more members as well.</p> <p><u>Paradragons Commission</u> See attached report</p> <p><u>Entourage Committee</u> We are creating guidelines for our Coaches and Team Managers that concern recruitment and conduct. We are also requesting more members to join the Committee.</p>	Reports accepted
19	<p>Reports from Continental Federations</p> <p><u>Asian Dragon Boat Federation</u> See attached report</p> <p><u>African Dragon Boat Federation</u> No report provided</p> <p><u>European Dragon Boat Federation</u> See attached report</p> <p><u>Pan American Dragon Boat Federation</u> - Franco Siu Chong See attached report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Panama is a new Member - First generation ocean off-shore dragon boat was developed and used; it will be a solution for countries where the ocean is the only option for dragon boat - Will attend Pan Am Sport Accord in Florida <p><u>Oceania Dragon Boat Federation</u> See attached report</p>	Reports accepted
20	<p>Reports from Associate Organizations</p> <p><u>International Breast Cancer Paddlers Commission</u> - Meri Gibson See attached report but the highlights are: A number of BCS athletes attend WDBRC in their respective National teams.</p> <p>Currently, we have 230 established teams worldwide. New teams have been established in: China, Israel, Egypt and South America There is an interest of development in Fiji, but we still have difficulty establishing in European countries aligned with the ICF.</p>	

	<p>The next IBCPC championship will be held in 2022, and hosted in Lake Karapiro, Cambridge, New Zealand.</p> <p><u>International Ice Dragon Boat Federation</u> See attached report</p>	Reports accepted
21	<p>Any Other Business and Closing Address Mike MacKeddie-Haslam addressed the Congress about how well run it had been, and congratulated Mike Thomas on his re-election.</p> <p>The President thanked all the delegates for their participation and conduct with the voting of changes today. He wished the US and Spain the best of luck in the preparation for their successful bids.</p> <p>Final thanks were given to the members of the Executive Committee in their commitment to the growth of the sport.</p> <p>He thanked all for his re-election and stated that he was looking forward to working another 4 years with the Executive Board and all member delegates.</p>	
22	<p>Place and Date of Next Congress 2021 in Hong Kong</p>	
	Closed 15:43	

Appendix 1

STATUTE PROPOSALS - VOTING BY FULL MEMBERS ONLY

IDBF Executive Committee Proposals for changes to Statues	Vote Yes	Vote No	Abstain
<p>ARTICLE 9- Members</p> <p>Change from: The IDBF shall consist of Full; Basic</p> <p>Amend to: The IDBF shall consist of Full; Ordinary</p> <p>All other references in the Statues in the Statues to Basic member be changed to Ordinary member</p>	80%	20%	
<p>ARTICLE 26 - Agenda for Ordinary Congress</p> <p>Change from: The Final Agenda shall be notified to the Members no later than ten (10) days before the date of a Congress. The Final Agenda and supporting papers may be notified by electronic means provided paper copies are available at the Congress venue, two (2) days before the Congress meets.</p> <p>Amend to: The Final Agenda shall be notified to the Members no later than ten (10) days before the date of a Congress. The Final Agenda and supporting papers may be notified by electronic means in PDF Format. Changes to the final agenda may be authorised by the IDBF Council and sent to members 5 days before the date of Congress.</p>	86.67%	13.33%	
<p>ARTICLE 26 – Agenda for Ordinary Congress – Item 12</p> <p>Change from: Appointment of a Full Member to be responsible for auditing the accounts.</p> <p>Amend to: Appointment of a Chartered Accountant to be responsible for auditing the accounts</p>	73.33%	26.67%	
<p>ARTICLE 36 – MANAGEMENT OF THE IDBF</p> <p>Change from: The Executive Committee shall consist of the IDBF President, five (5) Vice Presidents; Treasurer; Deputy Treasurer; General Secretary; Chair of Competition and Technical Commission and Chair of Athletes Commission. One (1) Vice-President shall be a nominee of the Chinese Dragon Boat Association.</p> <p>Amend to: The Executive Committee shall consist of the IDBF President, five (5) Vice Presidents; Treasurer; Deputy Treasurer; General Secretary; Chair of Competition and Technical Commission and Chair of Athletes Commission. One</p>			

(1) Vice-President shall be appointed ex officio as a nominee of the Chinese Dragon Boat Association.	60%	33.33%	6.67%
	Vote Yes	Vote No	Abstain
<p>ARTICLE 37 – Election of Members of the Council</p> <p>Change from: By exception, a fourth or subsequent terms of office, may be permitted, provided the Member of the Council concerned is unopposed and receives at least 80% of the voting members present at the Congress at which the re-election takes place.</p> <p>Amend to: delete this statement</p> <p>Change from: The <i>President</i> and the Treasurer; shall retire together and the <i>General Secretary and five (5) Vice-Presidents, two (2) years later</i></p> <p>Amend to: The <i>President</i> and the Treasurer; shall retire together and the <i>General Secretary, Deputy Treasurer and five (5) Vice-Presidents, two (2) years later</i></p>	80%	13.33%	6.67%
<p>ARTICLE 37 – Election of Members of the Council</p> <p>the following statement to be added:</p> <p>Should any elected member of the Council be unable to continue with their duties, for whatever reason, then the election should take place at the next available congress.</p>	80%	13.33%	6.67%
<p>ARTICLE 48 - IDBF CONTINENTAL / REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVES</p> <p>Change from: The elected Officers of a Continental Federation may not hold the same position within the IDBF, at the same time and if elected as either the IDBF President of Honor, President, General Secretary, or Treasurer, they must relinquish their equivalent Continental Office.</p> <p>Amend to: The President of Honour, President, General Secretary and Treasurer may not hold any of these same positions in the IDBF and their Continental Federation at the same time. If elected to the IDBF in one of these positions then they must relinquish their Continental position.</p> <p>This amended statement should also be moved and included in Article 37</p>	75%	18.75%	6.25%
<p>Article to be renumbered as appropriate</p>			

Part 2

Proposals for Statute Changes from the British Dragon Boat Association

Changes proposed by the BDBA are shown in blue

	Vote yes	Vote No	Abstain
<p>ARTICLE 3 – OBJECTS – point 5</p> <p>Change from: To establish International Championship Regattas under the titles of World Championships; Continental Championships and Regional Championships</p> <p>Amend to: To establish International Championship Regattas under the titles of World Championships; Continental Championships and Regional Championships. World Championships may be organised by IDBF Members or the IDBF Council directly, as laid down in the IDBF Bye-Laws.</p>	62.5%	33.33%	4.17%
<p>ARTICLE 40 - HONORARY MEMBERS</p> <p>Change from: <i>In acknowledging the Chinese cultural roots and history of Dragon Boating, when so nominated by the Chinese Dragon Boat Association, the IDBF shall appoint a President of Honour, whose duties will be detailed in the IDBF Bye-Laws. (Aug 11)</i></p> <p>There shall be IDBF Honorary Presidents' who may be appointed by the Congress on retirement from the office of IDBF President. Congress may also grant the honorary title of their office to former IDBF Vice Presidents and Members of the IDBF Council</p> <p>Other individuals proposed by the Executive Committee and approved by the Council, who have rendered distinguished service to the cause of Dragon Boat Racing, may be granted the title of 'Honorary Member'. In addition to former members of the IDBF Council. All those granted an Honorary title may attend the Congress, in a non-voting capacity.</p> <p>Amend to: <i>The IDBF shall have a Role of Honour, on which shall be entered the names of all those who have served as an Officer of the Federation, that is, as President, Executive President, Vice-President, Secretary-General and Treasurer, together with the date or dates and the role or roles, in which they have served. Those individuals entered on the Role of Honour shall be granted the title of 'Honorary Member' of the IDBF.</i></p> <p><i>Those Council Members who have served as an IDBF President or Vice-President shall be accorded the title of Past President or Past Vice-President, as appropriate, on their retirement from the their office. The duties of the Past Presidents' and Vice-Presidents' will be detailed in the IDBF Bye-Laws (Bye Law 4. refers).</i></p>			

<p><i>IDBF Council Members who have given exceptional service to the Sport and the Federation, over many years, may be accorded an appropriate title that acknowledges such service, by an IDBF Congress.</i></p> <p>In addition to former members of the IDBF Council. other individuals proposed by the Executive Committee, approved by the Council <i>and acclaimed by the IDBF Members Congress</i>, who have rendered distinguished service to the cause of Dragon Boat Racing, may also be granted the title of ‘Honorary Member’. <i>All those granted a past title of their Office and all Honorary Members of the IDBF, may attend an IDBF Congress, in a non-voting capacity.</i></p> <p>In acknowledging the Chinese cultural roots and history of Dragon Boating, when so nominated by the Chinese Dragon Boat Association, the IDBF shall appoint a President of Honour, whose duties will be detailed in the IDBF Bye-Laws (<i>Bye Law 4 refers</i>).</p> <p><i>The IDBF Congress shall appoint an IDBF Honorary President, from the list of IDBF Past Presidents, entered on the IDBF Role of Honour. The duties of the Honorary President will be detailed in the IDBF Bye-Laws (Bye Law 4.refers). The Honorary President shall also support and assist the President of Honour, when such is appointed,</i></p> <p><i>The appointment of IDBF Honorary President will normally be given to the Past President who has held the office of President for the longest period of time or in the event of the same length of service the senior Past President by age. By exception a Past Vice-President, Past Secretary-General or Past Treasurer, may be appointed as the IDBF Honorary President.</i></p> <p><i>The appointment of IDBF Honorary President shall be for a minimum period of 6 years and is renewable, by acclimation of the IDBF Congress or may be a life time appointment, at the discretion of the Congress.</i></p>	36%	48%	16%
<p>ARTICLE 36 – MANAGEMENT OF THE IDBF</p> <p>Change from: The Executive Committee shall consist of the IDBF President, five (5) Vice Presidents; Treasurer; Deputy Treasurer; General Secretary; Chair of Competition and Technical Commission and Chair of Athletes Commission. One (1) Vice-President shall be a nominee of the Chinese Dragon Boat Association.</p> <p>Amend to: The Executive Committee shall consist of the President; five (5) Vice Presidents, one of which shall be a nominee of the Chinese Dragon Boat Association, the Treasurer, the General Secretary <i>and three Commission Chair-holders (elected according to Art. 37).</i></p> <p>Rationale FROM Great Britain; <i>There are 9 IDBF Commissions and it is not democratic to have just the same two always on the Executive Committee. This proposal allows for a rotation of Commissions’ to be represented on the Executive Committee. There is no need for the Deputy Treasurer (or Deputy Sec General) to be a formal member of the Executive Committee, in a voting capacity, as these positions are ‘appointments’ made by the IDBF Council and not elected by the Congress as members of the Council under Article 37.</i></p> <p>Executive Committee Comment: The decision to Include the Chair of Competition and Technical Commission and Chair of Athletes Commission was explained to the British representative in the 2017 Congress. The IOC require a</p>			

<p>representative of the Athletes Commission to be involved in all decision-making bodies of the IDBF and the reason for inclusion. Many of the debates in the Executive Committee also are about our Championships and therefore the Chair of Competition and Technical Commission is included. There is a proposal for the Deputy Treasure to become an elected member of the Executive Committee.</p> <p>The Executive Committee therefore recommend that this proposal From Great Britain is rejected.</p>	56%	40%	4%
<p>ARTICLE 37 - ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL</p> <p>Change from: The Members of the Council, with the exception of the Continental Representatives, shall be elected for four (4) years by the Congress. The Members of the Council are honorary office bearers. The <i>Elected</i> Members of the Council shall retire in sequence and are eligible for re-election, <i>for up to three (3) consecutive terms of office. By exception, a fourth or subsequent terms of office, may be permitted, provided the Member</i> of the Council concerned is unopposed and receives at least 80% of the voting members present at the Congress at which the re-election takes place.</p> <p>The <i>President</i> and the Treasurer; shall retire together and the <i>Secretary-General and five (5) Vice-Presidents, two (2) years later.</i></p> <p><i>The Commission Chair holders of:</i> Competition and Technical Commission (C&TC) Marketing and Media Commission (M&MC) Medical and Sports Science (M&SSC) Cultural and Heritage Commission (C&HC) <i>Shall retire in the same year as the President.</i> The remaining Chair Holders of Commissions shall retire together with the Vice Presidents.</p> <p>Amend to: The Members of the Council, with the exception of the Continental Representatives, shall be elected for four (4) years by the Congress. The Members of the Council are honorary office bearers.</p> <p>The <i>Elected</i> Members of the Council shall retire in sequence and are eligible for re-election, <i>for up to three (3) consecutive terms of office. By exception, a fourth or subsequent terms of office, may be permitted, provided the Member</i> of the Council concerned is unopposed and receives at least 80% of the voting members present at the Congress at which the re-election takes place.</p> <p>The <i>President</i> and the Treasurer; shall retire together and the <i>Secretary-General and five (5) Vice-Presidents, two (2) years later.</i></p> <p><i>The Commission Chair holders of:</i> Competition and Technical Commission (C&TC) Marketing and Media Commission (M&MC) Medical and Sports Science (M&SSC) Cultural and Heritage Commission (C&HC) <i>Shall retire in the same year as the President.</i> The remaining Chair Holders of Commissions shall retire together with the Vice Presidents, that is, <i>Athletes Commission (AC); Sport for All Commission (SC) Youth Commission (YC); Paradrags Paddlers Commission (APC); Women Athletes Commission (WAC)</i></p> <p><i>The Election of the Three Commission Chairs to the Executive Committee, shall take place in at the Ordinary Congress in which the President retires The three Commission Chairs shall be elected individually to the Executive Committee based on a proposal from the Council. If one or more of the proposed Commission Chairs</i></p>			

<i>does not receive a majority, there will be additional rounds of voting where all interested Commission Chairs shall be eligible for election to any unfilled position.</i>	57.69%	34.61%	7.69%
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Part 3

Proposals for Bye Law Changes from the British Dragon Boat Association

Changes proposed by the BDRA are shown in blue

	Vote Yes	Vote No	Abstain
<p>IDBF BYE-LAW 4. DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS AND COUNCIL MEMBERS.</p> <p>Change from: The IDBF Presidents' In acknowledgement of the Chinese cultural roots and history of Dragon Boating, the IDBF has two Presidential appointments, the President, who as the Senior Elected officer of the IDBF is the head of the Federation and the President of Honour, nominated by the Chinese Dragon Boat Association.</p> <p>4.6 (2.5, 4.2) The IDBF President of Honour. By custom and practise a President of Honour, when so elected, shall be nominated by the Chinese Dragon Boat Association and elected unopposed by the acclimation of the IDBF Member's present at the Congress. The President of Honour shall be entitled to attend all meetings of the IDBF Council in a voting capacity.</p> <p>4.9 Whenever the IDBF does not have an Honorary President, the Senior Vice-President shall assist the President and President of Honour in these duties and in representing the IDBF. (Sep 03)</p> <p>4.10 (2.9) The Honorary Presidents' and Honorary Vice-Presidents'. Under Article 40 of the IDBF Statutes IDBF Presidents' and Vice Presidents' of Honour may be appointed and shall be entitled to attend the meetings of the Council and the Congress in a non-voting, advisory capacity. The Honorary Presidents' and Honorary Vice-Presidents, may assist the President and the President of Honour in protocol duties and representation of the IDBF.</p> <p>Amend to: The IDBF Presidents', the IDBF has three Presidential appointments, the President, who as the Senior Elected officer of the IDBF is the head of the Federation; the President of Honour, nominated by the Chinese Dragon Boat Association, in acknowledgement of the Chinese cultural roots and history of Dragon Boating and the Honorary President, the longest serving or senior Past President as defined in the Statutes, Article 40</p> <p>.4.6 (2.5, 4.2) The IDBF President of Honour. By custom and practise a President of Honour, when so elected, shall be nominated by the Chinese Dragon Boat Association and elected unopposed by the acclimation of the IDBF Member's present at the Congress. The President of Honour shall be entitled to attend all meetings of the IDBF Council in a voting capacity.</p> <p>4.9 The IDBF Honorary President. The IDBF Honorary President shall act as an advisor to the President and as an IDBF Ambassador, on behalf of the IDBF, when so required. The Honorary President may also assist the President and President of Honour in protocol duties and representation of the IDBF.</p> <p>The Honorary President shall be a Member of the IDBF Council, in a non-voting capacity, unless the IDBF does not have a nominated President of Honour, in</p>	25%	75%	

<p>which case the Honorary President shall be entitled to attend meetings of the IDBF Council in a voting capacity.</p> <p>4.10 The Past Presidents' and Past Vice-Presidents'. Under Article 40 of the IDBF Statutes IDBF Past Presidents' and Vice Presidents', shall be entered on the IDBF Role of Honour and shall be entitled to attend the meetings of the Council and the Congress in a non-voting, advisory capacity. The Past Presidents' and Vice-Presidents', may assist the President and the Honorary President in protocol duties.</p> <p>4.10.1 For past IDBF Presidents' and Vice-Presidents', who retire after having served the maximum terms of their office allowed for under the IDBF Statutes and who have given long and distinguished service to the cause of Dragon Boat Racing, may be given the title of Life President or Vice-President, (Life Member) as the case may be, by the IDBF Congress on a recommendation from the IDBF Executive Committee and Council. Article 40 of the IDBF Statutes refers.</p> <p>4.10.2 For those IDBF Officers, as detailed in Statute 40, who were elected to the first IDBF Council in 1991, the title of 'Founding President, Vice-President, Secretary-General or Treasurer, may be given in acknowledgement of their service, by the acclimation of the IDBF Members Congress.</p>	<p>33.33%</p> <p>33.33%</p> <p>33.33%</p> <p>28.57%</p>	<p>66.67%</p> <p>66.67%</p> <p>66.67%</p> <p>71.43%</p>	
<p>BYE-LAW 13 PREPARATION AND ORGANISATION OF A WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS</p> <p>Change from: 13.1 Shown in the Annex to this Bye-Law are the full details of the Bidding System for a World Championship and the term and conditions attached to the such a championship. The Annex and the IDBF World Championship Organisers Handbook, which is published separately, form part of this Bye-Law 13. Bids for a World Dragon Boat Racing Championship (WDBRC), as opposed to a Club Crew World Championship (CCWC) or a World Corporate & Community Championship (WCorcom) will generally only be accepted from an IDBF Full Member. Annex to BL 13.</p> <p>1.5 (1.4) With the exception of WCorcoms, and UCWC, World Championship Regattas may only be organised by an Organising Committee nominated by an IDBF Member Organisation to the IDBF Council. The Organising Committee must enter into a contract with the IDBF regarding the organisation and hosting of the World Championships. The IDBF Member will be responsible for supervising the work of the Championship Organising Committee.</p> <p>3. World Dragon Boat Racing Championships (WDBRC), can only be organised by (or through) an IDBF Full Member or exceptionally a Basic Member. WDBRC must be conducted under full IDBF Competition Regulations and Rules of Racing and are only open to National Crews from IDBF Members through whom all entries must be made.</p> <p>4. Club Crew World Championships (CCWC) may be organised by non IDBF Members, for example a Festival Organiser, and crews from non-member countries may take part. However, all bids for a CCWC and all entries to it, must be notified through an IDBF Member in countries where one exists.</p>			

<p>CCWC organisers should seek the advice of the IDBF Members concerned regarding the suitability of their crews entered to compete.</p> <p>BIDDING PROCEDURE: The bidding procedure for all IDBF Championships is, 5.1 Intended Bid. Minimum of 5 years before the date proposed for an IDBF World Championships and 4 years before an IDBF Club Crew Championships, the Championships Organisers should notify the IDBF Secretary-General, through the appropriate IDBF Member, of the Intended Bid. (See Bye- Law 13.3)</p> <p>5.2 Formal Bid. Before the 31st March of the year which is 4 years (World) or 3 years (Club) before the date of the planned championships a FORMAL BID must be made, in writing, to the Secretary-General, through the appropriate IDBF Member.</p> <p>5.3 Bid Presentation. At the time of the IDBF Congress held in the Formal Bid year, that is 4 years (World) or 3 years (Club) before the date of the championships, a BID PRESENTATION must be made to the Congress Delegates who will accept or reject the bid, subject to contract (see paragraph 6 below). The Bid Organisers and the IDBF Member heading the bid and, if appropriate sponsors and civic representatives associated with the planned championships.</p> <p>Amend to: 13.1 Shown in the Annex to this Bye-Law are the full details of the Bidding System for a World Championship and the term and conditions attached to the such a championship.</p> <p>The Annex and the IDBF World Championship Organisers Handbook, which is published separately, form part of this Bye-Law 13. Bids for a World Dragon Boat Racing Championship (WDBRC), <i>will generally only be accepted from an IDBF Full Member or directly from the IDBF Council. Annex to BL 13.</i></p> <p>1.5 (1.4) With the exception of WCorcoms, <i>and UCWC</i>, World Championship Regattas may only be organised by an Organising Committee nominated by an IDBF Member Organisation to the IDBF Council. <i>or by an Organising Committee nominated by the IDBF Council itself.</i> The Organising Committee must enter into a contract with the IDBF regarding the organisation and hosting of the World Championships.</p> <p>The IDBF Member will be responsible for supervising the work of the Championship Organising Committee, <i>unless the Organising Committee has been nominated directly by the IDBF Council, in which case the supervisory responsibility remains with the IDBF Council, who shall work with the IDBF Member in the country concerned, to ensure the success of the event.</i></p> <p>3. World Dragon Boat Racing Championships (WDBRC), <i>can only be organised by (or through) an IDBF Full Member or directly by or through an IDBF Council appointed Organising Committee. Exceptionally a Basic Member may be authorized to organize a WDBRC.</i> A WDBRC must be conducted under full IDBF Competition Regulations and Rules of Racing and are only open to National Crews from IDBF Members through whom all entries must be made.</p> <p>4. Club Crew World Championships (CCWC). <i>A Club Crew World Championship (CCWC) or a World Corporate & Community</i></p>	<p>20%</p> <p>12.5%</p> <p>33.33%</p>	<p>60%</p> <p>75%</p> <p>66.67%</p>	<p>20%</p> <p>12.5%</p>
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<p>Championship (WCorcom) may be organised by Full or Basic IDBF Member' or directly by or through the IDBF Council or by a non-IDBF Member, for example a Festival Organiser, Crews from non-member countries may take part. However, all bids for a CCWC and all entries to it, must be notified through an IDBF Member in countries where one exists, except if the IDBF Council is the organizing agency. When a CCWC is organized by a non- IDBF Member organization, CCWC organisers concerned should seek the advice of the IDBF Members concerned regarding the suitability of their crews entered to compete.</p>	33.33%	66.67%	
<p>5. BIDDING PROCEDURE: <i>When the IDBF Council is the organizing agent, then the bidding procedures and time-tables detailed below in this Annex, do not apply but the notification of the Championship concerned (WDBRC or CCWC) must be made to the IDBF Congress at least 2 years before the Championship in question in the form of a presentation (5.3 refers).</i> The bidding procedure for all IDBF Championships <i>when the bid is made by an IDBF Member is as follows:-</i></p>	28.58%	71.42%	