Minutes

of the

IDSF Presidium Meeting

held on June 12 and 15, 2009
in Macao, CHINA

Present: Carlos Freitag President CF
Lukas Hinder First Vice-President LH
Marco Sietas General Secretary MS
Tony Tilenni Treasurer TT
Heinz Späker Sports Director HS
Natasa Ambroz Second Vice-President NA
Heidi Götz Ordinary Presidium Member HG
Pavel Dorokhov Ordinary Presidium Member PD
James Fraser Ordinary Presidium Member JF
Petr Odstrcil Ordinary Presidium Member PO
Shawn Tay Ordinary Presidium Member ST
Keiji Ukai Ordinary Presidium Member KU

Absent: Detlef Hegemann Honorary Life President DH
Rudolf Baumann Honorary Life President RB

Guests: Richard Bunn, rbi network, Geneva, Consultant, Switzerland
Roland Hilfiker, Consultant, Spain
Jeff Bartholomew, United Country Western Dance Council, U.S.A.
Members of Japan DanceSport Federation, Consultant, Japan

The President opened the Meeting at 10.00 a.m. and expressed his sincere thanks to the Members of the Presidium for their attendance.

1 Minutes

1.1 Approval of the Minutes of the IDSF Presidium Meeting, January 17-18, 2009, Barcelona, SPAIN

The Presidium unanimously approved the Minutes.
1.2 Procedure for future distribution and publication of these Minutes

The Presidium unanimously decided the following procedure:

The first draft will be sent out to all Members of the Presidium immediately after the Meeting. The corrections have to be done within the following 10 days. The Minutes will be sent out not later than 14 days after the Meeting to the Presidium Members and to all Member Bodies. The Minutes will be taken by Mr. Lukas Hinder.

2 SportAccord, Denver, USA, March 2009

2.1 Introduction

CF reported that he and LH attended SportAccord in Denver, USA, March 22 – 27, 2009. CF and LH also attended the Annual General Meetings of ARISF, IWGA and GAISF and other IOC Meetings which were combined into the so-called SportAccord.

It was advised that GAISF had changed its name to Sportaccord. We will need to make this name change in all our documents and the website.

2.2 Mediterranean Games

The President of the Mediterranean Games, Mr. Amar Addadi, has been contacted during Sportaccord. Meanwhile, our Member Body from Greece has spoke to Mr. Erotokritos Neofitos, the organiser of the next Mediterranean Games which are to be held in Lovos, Greece, in 2013. Our member is determining if IDSF can become a demonstration sport in 2013. We will continue to lobby to become program sport on the next Mediterranean Games 2017.

2.3 IOC

CF reported on the excellent relationship which IDSF has at the moment with the IOC Sports Department and IOC Ethics Department.
2.4 Artistic Games

The Presidium unanimously agreed to continue with the project to be part of a new multi-sportive Games, including all kinds of sports related to Dance and Sport. The working title of such games is currently “Artistic Games”.

2.5 IPC-Paradance

The name IPC-Paradance was given by the International Paralympic Committee (IPC) as an umbrella expression for wheelchair, blind and deaf dancing. We are pursuing to have all these disciplines inside this new IPC section.

2.6 Youth Olympic Games

Mr. Sergey Bubka, IOC Member and responsible person for the Youth Olympic Games 2010 in Singapore, confirmed that in relation to the participation of IDSF in the next Games to be held in 2010, the programme is closed. With regards to participation in the 2014 Youth Games, all aspects will again be discussed in relation to the participation of IF’s, after the outcome and review of the Singapore Youth Olympic Games.

3 IDSF Annual General Meeting preparation / general proceeding

Several days before the AGM in Macao the Danish IDSF Member Body sent a letter dated June 10, 2009 to all IDSF Member Bodies suggesting that the Annual General Meeting could have proceeded in Copenhagen, Denmark, as previously planned. The IDSF Presidium answered again that the reason for moving the meeting to Macao was the very high costs for the hotel in Copenhagen, a problem which was identified many months ago and that not all our Member Bodies could afford these high costs.
4 Motions to the 2009 IDSF Annual General Meeting

4.1 Motion to amend Financial Regulations

The Presidium unanimously recommends to the Annual General Meeting to amend the Presidium’s Motion so that only 50 % of the increases in the Membership and the Granting Fees highlighted in red and blue in text of the Motion be effective on January 1, 2010 and the remaining 50 % of those increases be effective on January 1, 2012.

4.2 Member’s Motions

4.2.1 Motion from Member Body from USA

The Presidium unanimously does not support the Motion by the Member Body from the USA.

4.2.2 Motion from Member Body from Russia

The Presidium decided with 10 votes in favour and 1 vote against not to support the Motion by the Member Body from Russia.

4.2.3 Motion from Member Body from Canada

The Presidium decided with 10 vote in favour and 1 abstention not support the Motion by the Member Body from Canada.

5 2010 IDSF Annual General Meeting

5.1 Motion to change the IDSF Statutes

The Presidium decided unanimously to propose to the 2010 IDSF Annual General Meeting to revoke Article 9.6 of the IDSF Statutes.

5.2 Date and place

The Presidium decided unanimously to decide the date and place of the next IDSF Annual General Meeting at a later stage.
6 Election of IDSF Disciplinary Council (IDSF DC)

6.1 Election of the IDSF DC Chairman

The Presidium agreed to unanimously recommend to the 2009 Annual General Meeting to the re-election of the present IDSF DC Chairman, Mr. Erich Staeldi, of Switzerland.

6.2 Election of the IDSF DC Members

6.2.1 Election of the present DC Members

The Presidium agreed to unanimously recommend to the 2009 Annual General Meeting to the re-election of the present IDSF DC Members:

6.2.2 Election of the new IDSF DC Member

The former member of the IDSF DC from Asia, Mr. Montri Chaipun, Thailand, has decided to step down. The IDSF Presidium agreed to unanimously recommend to the 2009 Annual General Meeting to the election of Mr. Noel A. Laman from The Philippines.

6.3 Voting Process

The Presidium authorized LH to conduct the elections of the DC. The Presidium unanimously agreed that LH will recommend to the Annual General Meeting that the elections of the IDSF DC Chairman and the IDSF DC Members will be conducted by way of show of hands [according Art. 11(5) of the IDSF Statutes].

7 IDSF Forum

CF reported on the preparations for VISION 2012.
8 Financial Affairs

8.1 Approval of the IDSF Balance Sheet as per 31 December 2008 and Profit and Loss Account

The Presidium unanimously approved the IDSF Balance Sheet as per 31 December 2008 and Profit and Loss Account, subject to the approval of the Annual General Meeting.

8.2 Banking facilities

The Presidium unanimously agreed to the recommendation of the First Vice President and the Treasurer to allow IDSF's capital to be split between two Swiss banks.

9 2009 World Games, Kaohsiung, CHINESE TAIPEI

ST provided an overview of the current situation with regard the 2009 World Games. ST confirmed that everything is progressing well and that he expected excellent outcomes from the DanceSport events.

10 IDSF Strategic Planning

10.1 Strategic Planning Meeting, May 17, 2009, Barcelona, SPAIN

LH reported on the last Meeting held on May 17, 2009.

10.2 Action List for Strategic Planning

LH distributed the Action List for Strategic Planning as per May 17, 2009. LH and Members of the Group for Strategic Planning reported on several items related to WDSF Organisation/Structure, Vision 2012, Sport, Communication, TV/Sponsorship, Finances and Legal. The updated Action List for Strategic Planning (status: 17 May 2009) is attached to these Minutes (only for distribution to the Presidium Members).
10.3 Next Meeting for Strategic Planning

LH informed the Presidium that the next Meeting of the strategic planning group will be decided on a later stage.

11 Membership Affairs

11.1 Malaysia

MS explained the current situation regarding Malaysia. The former Member Body was expelled for breaching its duties to IDSF under the **IDSF Statutes** including non payment of its 2009 membership and adjudication fees and it appealed our decision to the IDSF DC. As background to our actions, the former Member was not responding to our correspondence for some two years and was supporting in a very active manner the World Amateur League of the WDC in Asia.

11.2 Dominican Republic

The Presidium unanimously agreed to accept Federacion Dominicana Baile de Salón Deportivo, of The Dominican Republic, as a new Provisional Member Body of IDSF, subject to its fulfilling outstanding requirements of Article 5(1) of the IDSF Statutes.

11.3 Cyprus

The Presidium unanimously agreed to accept Cyprus as a new Provisional Member Body, subject to receiving the missing information.

12 Sport Matters

12.1 Grand Slam in England

The Presidium decided unanimously to continue with the promotion of a Grand Slam Event together with the Member Body EADA and a possible organiser, Mrs. Olga Komarova.
12.2 Registration and Licensing System (RLS)

HS reported that the letter regarding RLS was sent out to all IDSF Member Bodies. The letter clearly informed all our Members that the RLS will start October 1, 2009. The Presidium unanimously decided that PO will be responsible for a clear and timely reminder process so that all Member Bodies will be in compliance by January 1, 2010.

12.3 IDSF Competition Calendar

MS distributed a first draft of a Competition Calendar. All Presidium Members were invited to send written comments to MS not later than June 30, 2009.

12.4 IDSF Competition Rules

HS will update the new draft structure of the IDSF Competition Rules and will send it to all Presidium Members for review and comments not later than July 30, 2009.

12.5 IDSF DanceSport Championship Bidding Procedure Documentation

12.5.1 General

LH presented the final draft IDSF DanceSport Championship Bidding Procedure Documentation. The Presidium unanimously approved this Documentation and unanimously decided that it will become effective for World and European DanceSport Championships starting January 1, 2012. The Presidium also agreed that this Documentation will be sent out by LH to all IDSF Member Bodies not later than July 1, 2009.

The intention of this procedure is to help Member Bodies understand our expectations and their responsibilities when bidding for IDSF World and IDSF European DanceSport Championships and, to give the IDSF Presidium precise information on the commitments of applicants. This will also assist in ensuring the highest possible quality when allocating future IDSF Championships.
This Procedure will be applied for the allocation of the IDSF World DanceSport Championships in Standard, Latin and Ten Dance and, the IDSF European DanceSport Championship in Standard and Latin. For these events which are to be conducted from January 1, 2012, Member Bodies wishing to bid for Championships should send their completed form (currently a MicroSoft Word form to complete - at a later stage a form will be accessable online through the IDSF website) not later than December 31, 2009 to the IDSF Secretariat.

The Presidium agreed that this documentation will be a so-called living document which will be updated on a regular basis at the beginning of each year.

12.5.2 IDSF DanceSport Championship Protocol

The Presidium unanimously approved the draft IDSF DanceSport Championship Protocol (enclosure 4 to the IDSF DanceSport Championship Bidding Procedure Documentation) and agreed that it will be effective from September 1, 2009.

12.6 Proposal from FIDS (ITALY) in relation combining all IDSF World DanceSport Championships (other than Junior) in the year 2011 in Rimini, ITALY

This is an initiative of the Italian IDSF Member Body (FIDS) and would be conducted as a special pilot project. FIDS has the support of the City of Rimini and commercial sponsors and organisers.

The Presidium originally discussed this matter in January 2009 and there are a range of requirements that would need to be fulfilled by FIDS to provide sufficient comfort to IDSF to agree to award these Championships.

At the moment, there are two draft agreements which need to be agreed to and then signed by FIDS. The agreements include additional risk fees for IDSF and would need to be supported with bank guarantees.

The events are proposed to be held in September 2011 over 4 days. The Presidium and FIDS would need to agree to all conditions by the end of July 2009 for this proposal to proceed. The proposal requires all 2011 IDSF World DanceSport Championships other than Junior World DanceSport
Championships. Mr. Freitag agreed to write and consult with IDSF Member Bodies about this proposal.

13 New Adjudicating System and Criteria

Mr. Nakano and Mr. Yamada, representatives of JDSF, made a presentation of a possible new Adjudicating System. The IDSF Presidium wants to conduct a demonstration of this system as part of a pilot project to be conducted during the next Grand Slam Final in Shanghai, China, December 2009. Our Member Bodies will be informed about this project in the next few months. LH suggested that JDSF secures the intellectual property rights of this Adjudication system which is being developed for IDSF.

14 Communications

The Presidium considered the advice of Mrs. Heidi Goetz in relation to the creation of a new strategy and implementation and of a new updated website. The Presidium now understands that the Commission Chairs are able to update their sections of the IDSF website. The Presidium agreed that a new and special section would be established by HG to provide the latest news for IDSF Member Bodies.

15 Contractual Relationship between IEC in Sports AB and IDSF

The Presidium decided to ask IEC in Sports AB for the extension of the option (30 September 2009) for the renewal of the contract until December 31, 2009. It was also agreed that IEC will be asked for a written offer based on 10 events per year and a projection of the financial result.
16 Legal Affairs / Disciplinary Schedule

The Presidium considered the question of whether or not to have a Disciplinary Schedule of automatic penalties. JF will provide an expanded framework in order to consider the adoption of an operating policy. JF will send the paper to HS, MS & NA for review.

17 Liability Insurance

LH was asked to consider details for the insurance renewal now, if we are to consider seeking a change for 2010.

18 Miscellaneous

Possible meeting times:

- 12 and 13th December 2009, Shanghai, China, for Managing Committee Meeting or Presidium Meeting.
- 23rd and 24th January 2010, Barcelona, Spain, for Presidium Meeting

There was no further business and the President adjourned the Meeting on Monday, June 15, 2009 at 1.00 p.m.

Zurich, Switzerland, June 19, 2009

International DanceSport Federation (IDSF)

Carlos Freitag  
President

Lukas Hinder  
First Vice-President
Enclosure (only for distribution for Presidium Members)
IDSF Strategic Planning / Action List, status: 17 May 2009 (see item 10.2 of these Minutes)