



## **IDSF LEGAL COMMISSION**

# **2011 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**LUXEMBOURG, JUNE 19, 2011**

### ***Presidium's Motion to Amend the IDSF Statutes***

***BECAUSE*** the Presidium's Athletes' Commission has begun work and the Presidium has resolved that it is important for IDSF to give a more effective voice to IDSF's athletes by giving them full voting representation in the IDSF Presidium;

***AND BECAUSE*** the Presidium has entered into a new and more comprehensive form of agreement with IDSF's Associate Members, in order to better serve our sport and advance IDSF's VISION 2010 project, and one of the terms of that form of agreement is to give each Associate Member of IDSF a more effective voice by giving them partial voting representation in the IDSF Presidium;

**1. *MOVED*, that Article 4 of the *IDSF Statutes* be amended as shown below with underlining:**



## Article 4

### Membership

Members of IDSF shall fall into one of the following classifications:

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#### 2. Associate Member

Associate Members shall be bodies which have aims and objectives declared and agreed by the General Meeting to be beneficial to the aims and objectives of the IDSF, and shall have full voting rights in the General Meeting and partial voting rights in the IDSF Presidium as set out herein.

**2. *MOVED*, that Article 13 of the *IDSF Statutes* be amended as shown below with underlining and deletions:**

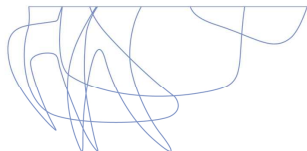
## Article 13

### Presidium

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#### 3. The Presidium consists of:

the President  
the First Vice President  
the Second Vice President  
the General Secretary  
the Treasurer  
the Sports Director  
the Professional Division Director  
~~and~~ up to 6 Ordinary Members  
the Chairperson of the Athletes' Commission  
1 representative nominated by each Associate Member  
and any Honorary Life President ~~or Presidents~~



The Ordinary Members, the Chairperson of the Athletes' Commission, and the Second Vice President are responsible to undertake various functional activities as directed by the President or the Presidium.

4. The Presidium, other than the Honorary Life President, the Chairperson of the Athletes' Commission, the representatives nominated by the Associate Members, and the Professional Division Director, is elected by secret ballot at the Annual General Meeting every third year.
5. Successful candidates for election to the Presidium shall be those obtaining the greatest number of votes. If there is a tie between two or more candidates a second election shall be held. If the tie persists, lots will be drawn to decide the successful candidate. In an election for General Ordinary Members of the Presidium, anyone who casts a ballot must vote for the same number of candidates as the number to be elected; and, e.g. for greater certainty, if six (6) General Ordinary Members of the Presidium are to be elected, then a ballot will be invalid unless it is marked for the election of six (6) different candidates out of the total of the candidates nominated for the position of General Ordinary Member of the Presidium.
6. Anyone who is legally capable of managing all of his or her personal and business affairs, and is not:
  - (a) a corporation;
  - (b) an undischarged bankrupt; or
  - (c) someone convicted anywhere of an offence in connection with the promotion, formation or management of a corporation, or involving fraud, or whose registration to trade in the stock of corporations has been revoked within five (5) years of the date of the General Meeting at which he or she is nominated for election to the Presidium,

may be elected to the Presidium or the Managing Committee, or appointed as Professional Division Director, or appointed as Chairperson of the Athletes' Commission, or appointed by an Associate Member to be its representative on the Presidium, whether or not he or she is a Delegate or Presidium Member,



provided always that no one may be elected to the Presidium unless she or he is present at the General Meeting where such elections are held or unless she or he has previously consented in writing to election to the Presidium.

## **2. *MOVED*, that Article 15 of the *IDSF Statutes* be amended as shown below with underlining:**

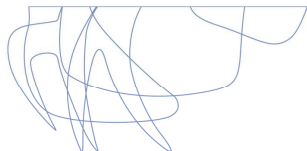
### Article 15

#### Work of the Presidium

1. The work of the Presidium shall be conducted by correspondence by mail, fax and e-mail. Meetings of the Presidium shall only be convened if more than half the elected members can attend. Travelling expenses for such meetings will be paid as far as possible from IDSF funds.
2. Decisions of the Presidium require a simple majority. Except for the representatives appointed by the Associate Members, each Member of the Presidium has one vote. Each representative of an Associate Member has a vote only on those matters which directly affect that Associate Member's sporting activities; in the event of a dispute about the right of such a representative of an Associate Member to vote with respect to a specific motion, all elected Members of the Presidium may vote to allow or deny such representative a vote on that specific motion, and the decision of the elected Members of the Presidium in that regard shall be final. The President shall have a casting vote in any tied vote of the Presidium. The result of any vote must be made known to all members of the Presidium without delay.

#### ***REASONS:***

- 1. re: our athletes, to give them full and effective representation in the IDSF Presidium, consistent with their needs and consistent***



***with modern sporting practices in recognized international sports federations, as recommended by the IOC and other leading sports bodies; and to enhance the already democratic operation of IDSF by giving our most important people, the athletes, a more direct voice in the leading administrative body of the IDSF regardless of how they are connected to an IDSF Member body;***

- 2. re: our Associate Members, to comply with our new legal obligations to them under our new form of Associate Membership Agreement; to encourage Associate Members to participate more thoroughly in the life of IDSF; to make IDSF more relevant to our Associate Members; and to help lay the foundation for the VISION 2012 program;***
- 3. to correct an inconsistency in the text of this Article about "Ordinary" and "General" Members of the Presidium;***
- 4. to update the text of this Article to be consistent with the existence of more than one IDSF Honorary Life President, because IDSF presently has two IDSF Honorary Life Presidents, Mr. Hegemann and Mr. Baumann.***