

The Presidium

**2014 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
BUCHAREST, JUNE 15, 2014**

***Presidium's Motions Re:
WDSF Professional Division***

1. **WHEREAS** the **WDSF Statutes** provide that the Professional Division is composed of Delegates selected "by each WDSF Member body from that Member body's own professional division *or analogous professional group*";

MOVED that, subject to the consent of the majority of the Delegates to the next WDSF Professional Division General Meeting, Article 17(3) of the **WDSF Statutes** be amended by deleting the words "or analogous professional group" as set out below, to ensure that all Professional Division Delegates are selected by only WDSF Member bodies, as shown below by deletions and coloured highlighting.

2. **WHEREAS** the **WDSF Statutes** do not provide for the election of all members of the Professional Division's Managing body;

MOVED that, subject to the consent of the majority of the Delegates to the next WDSF Professional Division General Meeting, Article 17(2) and (4) of the **WDSF Statutes** be amended as set out below, to ensure that all Professional Division Delegates are selected by only WDSF Member bodies, as shown below by deletions and coloured highlighting, and to ensure that the PD Managing Body is chosen every four years, to be consistent and concurrent with the four-year term of the WDSF Presidium.



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Article 17

Professional Division

1. The Professional Division is responsible for the internal administration of WDSF with respect to professional DanceSport competition rules and professional DanceSport competitions, including licensing professional athletes, teachers, trainers, coaches and adjudicators, establishing and administering the **WDSF Professional Division Rules**.
2. The Professional Division is authorized to govern its own administration of professional DanceSport as set out in these **Statutes**, and may establish its own ~~Managing Body~~, Departments and Commissions as part of that work, but it shall at all times respect WDSF's general internal and external administrative jurisdiction, the modern democratic principles of free societies, modern sporting principles, modern management principles, all relevant laws and tribunals of competent jurisdiction, and WDSF's universal requirements with respect to ethics, Anti-doping, and other financial, administrative and sporting policies, regulations and requirements established by WDSF or the WDSF Presidium from time to time
3. The Professional Division General Meeting is composed of the two Delegates selected by each WDSF Member body from that Member body's own professional division ~~or analogous professional group~~ and is convened at least once a year. In any meetings or deliberations of the Professional Division each Delegate has one (1) vote after administrative registration by the PD. The Professional Division Director, Management Board and Delegates may carry on the business of the Professional Division at meetings or by mail, telephone, e-mail or fax transmission, or other form of electronic communication, according to procedural rules which they establish themselves.
4. The Professional Division General Meeting shall elect ~~appoint or reappoint~~ its Management Board ~~and that Managing Body shall appoint or reappoint the WDSF Professional Division Director~~ as follows at least every ~~three~~ four ~~(4)~~ years:



PD Management Board

Professional Division Director

Professional Division Vice Director

Professional Division Sports Director

Professional Division Vice Sports Director

Professional Division Treasurer

Professional Division General Secretary, and

Two (2) Professional Division Management Board Members

and may do so more frequently according to its discretion. The WDSF Professional Division Director is the Professional Division's Chief Executive Officer.

5. The Professional Division is self-financing, and shall maintain a separate fund, and, if it wishes, a separate bank account or accounts, to receive and administer any funds it receives or collects, and that fund shall be administered solely by the Professional Division, subject only to WDSF's general rules for administering and accounting for its own funds and subject to the Professional Division Director's duty to make full disclosure of such administration and accounts to WDSF Treasurer every six (6) months.
6. The Professional Division Director or Professional Division Treasurer must present the Professional Division's financial report to every Ordinary General Meeting and every meeting of the Presidium.
7. In view of the international composition of the Professional Division and the potential difficulties which could occur in settling disputes when disagreements arise between the Professional Division and (a) the General Meeting, (b) the Presidium (including its Commissions) or (c) an other person or body which WDSF or the Presidium decides is affiliated to WDSF, the Professional Division shall attempt to settle all such disagreements in good faith by negotiation, provided always that in the event of a disagreement which any party to it decides cannot be resolved by negotiation, such disagreements and disputes shall be subject to the binding decision of the WDSF Disciplinary Council.
8. Notwithstanding any other provision to the contrary in these **Statutes**, no part of this Article 17 may be changed by the WDSF General Meeting without the consent of the majority of the Delegates to the Professional Division General Meeting, provided always that such consent may be given prior to, concurrent with or subsequent to such General Meeting.



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REASONS:

- 1. the transitional period of the WDSF Professional Division has now concluded; by now, each WDSF Member body should include all professionals in its country.**
- 2. there is no reason for the continued existence of any professional body outside WDSF, for WDSF Professional Division DanceSport.**
- 3. the Professional Division has requested that the AGM amend Articles 17(2) and (4) to provide for a clear election process and to define the positions in the PD managing body.**
- 4. as we establish a defined Managing Body, it should be mentioned in the third sentence in Article 17(3) to make that sentence clear and correct, and should now be called "Management Board" because that is the name the PD prefers. The PD has also requested that the WDSF Statutes support its right to impose reasonable administrative procedures before a PD Delegate may use his or her vote.**
- 5. Article 17(8) of the WDSF Statutes says that "no part of this Article 17 may be changed by the WDSF General Meeting without the consent of the majority of the Delegates to the Professional Division General Meeting, provided always that such consent may be given prior to, concurrent with or subsequent to such General Meeting."**