

The First Meeting of the International Unicycling Federation Executive Board President, Ryan Woessner

Meeting Minutes Submitted by Ryan Woessner

Date: 20 February 2010

Time: 12:00 –13:30, Pacific Standard Time

Location: Skype

Present:

Ryan Woessner (USA); Connie Cotter (USA); Ken Looi (NZ); Marty Ornish (USA); Jesper Andersen (DEN); Franck Chovelon (FRA); Olaf Schlote (GER); Mayumi Sakaino (JAP); Yongnam Lee (KOR); Gossi (GER); Carol Bricker (USA)

Agenda:

- I. Welcome and Call to Order
 - a. Welcome from Ryan. Very excited to be working with everyone over the next few years. Thanks for taking the time to attend the meeting.
- II. Acceptance of the Agenda
 - a. Ryan asks for a motion to accept
 - b. Marty motions to accept the agenda
 - c. Ken seconds the motion
 - d. Agenda is accepted unanimously
- III. Officer Reports
 - a. President, Ryan Woessner
 - i. Will update when we get to specific agenda items.
 - b. Executive Vice President, Connie Cotter
 - i. Will update during Rulebook
 - c. Vice President, Ken Looi
 - i. Will update during World Records
 - d. Secretary, Mike Penton
 - i. Not present
 - e. Treasurer, Marty Ornish
 - i. Marty discusses the current issue regarding Director and Officer Liability Insurance. Ryan and Marty and working with the Unicycling Society of America to see what quote we can get. The Exec Board does not want to be individually sued if there is an injury at an international event.
 - f. Director, Olaf Schlote
 - i. Continuing to work with all of the German Federations.
 - ii. Trying to find an Eastern European Representative, may have found someone from Hungary.
 - g. Director, Franck Chovelon

- i. Continuing to develop the national federation in France
- h. Director, Jesper Andersen
 - i. Nothing to report
- IV. Committee Updates
 - a. Rulebook, Connie Cotter
 - i. Lots of people signed up, hoping to finalize the list and begin discussions in the next few weeks.
 - ii. Currently, too many Germans and Japanese signed up
 - iii. Gossi recommends that the Committee site be hosted on the new IUF webpage, he will be in contact with Robin and Connie
 - b. Convention, Andy Cotter
 - i. Not present
 - c. World Records, Ken Looi
 - i. Great group of people ready to begin working
 - ii. Currently trying to finalize the format in which the discussions will take place
 - iii. Needs someone from Japan to serve on the committee
 - d. Skill Level Development, Gossi
 - i. Already created a list of structured skills
 - ii. Plans to use the IUF forums
 - iii. Ready to begin and will send out a timeline next week
 - iv. Still needs a representative from Denmark and Japan
- V. Webmaster Update
 - a. Encourages every committee chair to blog about their current progress on the website
 - b. If you are having log-in problems, email Gossi
 - c. Working on solutions for changing passwords
 - d. Please take some time to look over the website and make edits before we completely change over to the new site
 - e. Everyone seems to really like to new IUF logo, but we will have an IUF Exec Board vote on it this week
- VI. UNICON XVI Update
 - a. Currently developing an organizing committee
 - b. Once the committee is created, Ryan will ask for a representative to come to our meetings
- VII. Old Business
 - a. IUF Representatives
 - i. We have 16 reps right now
 - ii. Eastern Europe currently being pursued by Olaf
 - iii. Connie raises concern that not all profiles have been completed for current reps
 - iv. Ryan will update them in the next few days and send out a final draft
 - b. Post-UNICON survey
 - i. Has this been sent out?
 - 1. Connie will send out the survey early this week.
 - 2. Survey will close on April 1
 - c. UNICON Competitor Limits

- i. Discussion thread
 - 1. Please participate in the forums
 - 2. Ryan will open the discussion up to the representatives on March $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$

VIII. New Business

- a. Goals and Priorities
 - i. Redefine the IUF
 - ii. Reexamine By-Laws
 - iii. Restructure the Exec Board
 - 1. Director of Communication and Outreach
 - 2. Director of Membership and National Development
 - 3. Director of Competition and Ethics
 - iv. Director and Officer Insurance
 - v. Establish IUF Membership
 - 1. Net earnings will allow for
 - a. Seed money for UNICON hosts
 - b. Development of unicycling around the world
 - c. Further convention aspect of UNICON
 - d. Eventually provide an IUF Publication
 - e. Other?
 - vi. Restructure UNICON Schedule with Convention focus
 - vii. Establish Online Presence
 - viii. Recruit National Reps
 - ix. Expand the Sport to more countries
 - x. Modernize the Skill Levels
 - xi. Encourage Growth of National Organizations
 - xii. Collaborate with "modern" sports organizations
 - xiii. Initiate the "State of the Federation," starting in April / May
 - xiv. Create a more effective World Records database
 - xv. Encourage a green and sustainable world championships
- b. PO Box and Official Seal
 - i. Current PO Box is in Washington
 - ii. Ryan would like it moved to either Minnesota or California
 - iii. Marty will be in contact with the former IUF Treasurer to finalize these details
- c. Other committees
 - i. International Freestyle Commission
 - 1. Ryan is looking to fill this position; Connie volunteers
 - ii. Skill Level
 - 1. Ryan would like to step down from Chair of the Skill Level Committee to better focus on his new role as President; Connie volunteers to serve in this capacity as well.
- d. International Flatland and Street Commission
 - i. Marty recommends that we create this as flatland and street are still relatively new sports
 - ii. Ryan agrees and says he will draft a proposal for its creation
- e. World Records from UNICON XV

- i. Olaf will forward the Exec Board emails regarding concerns over world records at UNICON ${\sf XV}$
- ii. Olaf and Lutz think that there were not enough long jump judges for the final. Ryan asks Connie and Jesper to look into this so we can make a more accurate declaration of whether or not it constituted a world record
- IX. Next Meeting
 - a. April 2010
 - i. Ryan will send out a Doodle for everyone to fill out
- X. Adjournment
 - a. 13:22 Pacific Standard Time