

Minutes 2014-02-22

Date: 22 February 2014

Time: 10:00 and 17:00, MEZ (Berlin)

Location: Skype

Participants meeting one: Ken, Haruko, Jiahui, Olaf (first)

Participants meeting two: Ryan, Olaf – guests: Hugo, Benoit, Scott, Lutz

Agenda:

I. Welcome and Call to Order

II. Acceptance of the Agenda

III. Reports from the board members

- a. President, Olaf
- b. Vice President, Ken
- c. Secretary, Jiahui
- d. Treasurer, Jim
- f. Director, Haruko
- g. Director, Franck
- h. Director, Ryan

Skipped in this meeting because we start with just Ken and Olaf

Skipped also in second meeting, was no need for general reports

IV. Committee Updates

- a. Rulebook Status, Olaf

German Rulebook is ready to upload, Felix will prepare the online System for translations up from the 1. of March.

V. UNICON XVI Update

- a. Report about the actual status, Benoit

1025 participants (759 competitors) are signed in right now. The Orga expect approximate 150 more competitors until May (end of registration)

Worst case Budget does work right now but some promotion had to be cutted then and volunteers lunch also. They still wait for Grants (many requests was send out and positive feedback comes back but no one 100% confirmed right now. The ministry of sport maybe help out with some money and hopefully others also).

Ryan come up with the idea to make the Canadian group a member of the USA to get maybe more Grants – Scott join the meeting and was asked about the USA System. Scott, Hugo, Benoit and Ryan discuss about options there.

Less Americans has signed in even it is so close for them.

A Newsletter is planned for this week to promote again, maybe more additional US promotion is possible.

Maybe 100.000 CAD can be get as Grants (hopefully)

Another big income can be the lodging (Deal with the Red Cross)
The Cafeteria can offer meals for around 7 CAD so eat and sleeping should stay cheap and bring some income.

Problems about the Race track:

- Best option is canceled
- Second close track is damaged and has to be repaired
- Third option is 10 – 15K away from the center, the track was not visited until now. Several people say it's in a perfect shape but transport is a cost problem. Different options of transport are discussed, also the option to repair the other Track.
- 2 Days are needed for the track, estimated cost for Transport is 5000 CAD
- Full repair of the track cost 20.000 CAD up to 1 Million CAD
- They show pictures of the damaged racetrack and its maybe not worth to repair it. It can result in many complains.
- Disciplines that will happen on the Track:

Track Coasting

- 30m Wheel Walk
- 50m One Foot
- 100m
- Relay 4x100m
- 400m
- 800m

It is not possible to visit the final track because of too much Snow right now. It will be decided inner the next 2 weeks anyway. To lower the cost of Transport, the Unicycles will be transported by small trucks while people go by Metro.

Highjump / Longjump will happen on concrete, IUF Slalom on a tennis court.

Distance races are confirmed, Muni is mostly approved

Urban stuff is confirmed mostly. Costs for some places are still in discussion, some locations are expensive.

Trial Lines will be designed by the public riders, they send in their ideas.

This will have a time limit of max 3 month. Lutz is in charge for this.

Street is confirmed

Freestyle – one payment is missing but confirmed

Practice is only possible in a different Gym. This Gym is open every day.

Depends on the final schedule additional practice time is free in the main Gym. Ryan will go for the final schedule very soon and then Hugo can confirm it finally.

No Unis are allowed in the Metro (request is pending), between 10 and 15 and after 19 it's allowed for sure).

10K 42K is on roads in good conditions. (not perfect!)

Muriel will become Race Director probably (maybe Rosi can assist her)

Scott is looking for a chief referee for the distance races, a skilled person is needed.

The all over schedule is pretty safe but not 100%, all days are save, just times can change a bit.

Urban is not sure right now and Track is unclear until the Track is confirmed 100%.
Slow Race will happen but not scheduled right now 100%
IUF Slalom finals are possible, can be done
The OK is trying to fix a deal with Public Transport to get a 13 Days cheap Ticket for around 30 CAD.

b. Report some open questions, Olaf

Olaf just state that the OK reach a number of participants which offer a save Budget for them

VI. Unicon XVII

a. existing Proposals, Olaf

We decide to request all Proposals with a deadline end of April

VII. New Business

a. IUF Membership – Budget – What can/should we do with our money open discussion

We all agree that it is needed to employ 1 or better 2 people based in one country to work for the IUF every day. Jim has to check the legal aspects and we should already look for the right people. It should be 2 50% jobs then. It is important to do that to be able to handle more and more riders and activities and Better Promotion won't make sense with the actual board.

Jiahui already send me (Olaf) a list of questions / Ideas about being more transparent and I will prepare a document from all this Ideas as a base to discuss about our way to go forward and to decide finally about a Budget and how to handle it and make it public / transparent.

VIII. New Member for the Board

a. Nominating Scott Wilton for the Board as additional Director

Voting Yes: Ken, Haruko, Olaf, Jiahui, Ryan

JH recommend to switch this additional directorship into the regular time window (2 years / 3 years) so an Idea is to embed Scott right now in the Board to start work while voting then again for him while the Unicon meeting to bring this position in the right time cycle. So he would be an interims director now for 5 month.

IX. New Structure of the Board

a. Developing of the new structure (based on Ryans existing Idea)

b. Changing the bylaws to make them fitting to the new structure

c. Setting a timeline to have both things ready for a voting and approved from the legal aspect

Everybody agree that we need the new structure while we (mostly Jim) have to prepare new bylaws before that fulfill the requirements of the new Board Idea and of the NonProfit Status in the US. While this we can still keep the Idea in back to move the IUF maybe into another country with more easy laws for NonProfit organisations. But this is not what we have to focus on now.

IX. World Record Database

a. Status / To Do,

Ken welcome that the Homepage is now in WordPress so he can much more easy work in it. He recommend to add a second person to the World Record Committee and he think that Scott could be the right one for this position (everybody agree). So we have to ask Scott and also ask the rest of the board. Also I will connect Ken and Tamas (who did the website) to give Ken full access to push building up the Database (maybe together with our employees we have in the soon future hopefully).

Scott already agreed to help Ken in bringing the World Record things to a good level. He will contact Ken to start the needed tasks.

IX. New Skill Level Director

- a. Jamey Mossengren actively asked again if he can go for this position. Right now Petra Plininger is in charge for is with more or less success. Together with voting for a new Director / keeping the old one, we should define the position also more clear.

We reschedule the voting and I (Olaf) will prepare a document that makes clear the position and Status of Skill Level Director and Skill level Committee. Also Haruko will discuss with the Japanese Riders more detailed because they use a different System of Levels / to train riders and we should get their input for sure as they are one of the main Freestyle riding countries. Actually the Skill level discussion has no movement so we should reorganize it.

IX. Next Meeting

- a. we should have another meeting at least in June to be prepared for Unicon