



IFF Central Board meeting 7/2013 12.12.2013

Place: IFF Hotel Clarion Congress Ostrava

Participants:	Tomas Eriksson	President
	Monica Bakke	Treasurer
	Daniel Bollinger	
	Risto Kauppinen	
	Stephen King	
	Magdalena Kotikova	ASC Chair
	Johanna Mikkola	
	Carlos Lopez	
	Oliver Stoll	
	Filip Suman	Vice president
	Martin Wolmhed	
	Merita Bruun	Information Manager
	Stefan Kratz	Competition Manager
	John Liljelund	Secretary General

Excused:

Minutes

§ 1. Opening of the meeting

Mr. Eriksson opened the meeting at 12.00 and wished everyone welcomed to the last CB meeting of the year, in connection to the Women's WFC2013 in Ostrava, Czech Republic.

§ 2. Approval of the agenda

Mr. Eriksson concluded that there are a number of updated appendixes for the meeting.
Appendix 19 – Updated election result for the Athletes Committee
Appendix 27 – Americas report (New)
Appendix 28a – Malaysia application for membership (New)
Appendix 28b – Malaysia registration document (New)
Appendix 29 - SFA Press release (New)
Appendix 30 - Letter from Floorball Croatia (New)

§ 3 Minutes from the CB meeting: 05/2013 in Espoo, Finland (01.09.2013), (Appendix 1), 06/2013 per capsulam (04.11.2013), (Appendix 2)

The minutes from the last two meetings are to be scrutinized, approved and put ad acta



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§ 4. Economy

a) Financial report by the 30.11.2013 (Appendix 3a)

Mrs. Bakke presented the financial report and the balance sheet for the financial year 2013, per 30.11.2013. The financial situation looks quite good, but there are still some elements that might be open in connection to the WFC. We are somewhat below budget on the cost side, but also under the budgeted income.

Mr. King asked about the need to secure a minimum level of assets, when the financial result has been negative in the last few years.

Mrs. Bakke felt that this will have to be looked upon.

Mr. Wolmhed felt that we need to secure at least even numbers.

Mr. Eriksson felt that it is very important that we can predict the coming results. The equity has to be kept on a high enough level.

The CB decided: To approve the report.

b) Information on IFF claims – status November 30th, 2013 (Appendix 3b)

Mr. Kratz presented firstly the claims situation by the 30.11.2013. The IFF Office has worked hard to reduce the claims and have been able to reduce it with around 42.000 CHF, which is around 10 per cent of the total debt. We have had discussions with all member associations in debt, to see how the debts could be solved by October 2014.

In addition Mr. Kratz reported on the actions taken with the member federations in debt to IFF. In light of the implementation of the IFF Licence System there are a number of countries in danger to participate in the WFC2014. The dead-line for clearing the debts is by October 2014.

Mr. Eriksson feels that we still have to monitor the situation and be hand on for the implementation of the Licence system.

The CB decided: To approve the report.

c) Proposal for IFF Budget for 2014 (Appendix 4)

Mr. Kratz presented the IFF Office proposal for the updated IFF Budget for 2014, based on the decision made by the IFF General Assembly in Zürich in 2012. The budget is built with some caution, in order to be able to make a positive result.

The focus for 2014 is on the IOC Road Map making the organisation ready for the Short List application and the development of the IFF communication channels.

Mr. Wolmhed asked about the reduction of the office support from previous year.

Mr. Liljelund answered that the reduction is due to the ending of the Unihoc support for the Development Coordinator in the end of 2013.

The CB decided: To approve the report.

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§ 5. World Championships

a) WFC 2013 Czech Republic

Mr. Suman reported on the running of the Women's WFC 2013 played in Brno and Ostrava, in Czech Republic from the 7th to the 15th of December. The objective was to raise the level of the Women's championships close to the Men's WFC. The investment has been really big, in order to help the Floorball community. The marketing, the ticket sale, the venues and the media has been the major part of the investment, trying to secure that the whole country is aware of that the WFC is played.

The WFC in mid-way and at least the number of spectators has been very good in Brno, with over 16.000 during the four first WFC days. There are also over 200 accredited journalists in the WFC. The number of TV spectators in Czech TV has reached the same level as the Women's Basket WC, which is being considered as a benchmark for women sport in Czech Republic. The financial support of the City of Ostrava has been a key for the organiser. The target is to break all spectator records for the Women's WFC in both total number of spectators and in a single game and the final. The estimation is that the financial result will be event.

Mr. Kauppinen is very glad to hear that the organiser can make an even result. The investment has to be made and work has to be done.

Mr. Stoll asked how the logistic move from Brno to Ostrava was successful, since everything was moved already on Monday after the end of the games in the B arena.

Mr. Suman answered that there was some issues with the move. The future will require that the Events will be played in more cities to secure city support and presence of the spectators.

Mr. Liljelund stressed that the organiser has been able to move the operations from Brno to Ostrava, but the issues with the flooring in the A arena proved how vulnerable the time factor is when going to a new arena. Mr. Liljelund further felt that the marketing campaign has been very diverse and also effective.

Mr. Eriksson raised some questions in relation to the Miss Czech Florbal, after having been confronted in the matter by Swedish media. The Swedish media has been very focused on the equality question and the clothing issue of women in sport. IFF has earlier declined female teams to play in skirts. The Swedish team has also been quite concerned about the competition.

Mr. Suman expressed that the campaign has been supported very well by the female Floorball players and has been a separate project to the WFC. The intention was not to upset any team and there is a difference of opinion in the matter.

Mr. Stoll felt that this is a slight problem to have a beauty competition as a marketing factor. If we say that we take equality seriously, we need to follow this strictly and trying to avoid the situation.

Mr. Bollinger felt that it is a good side event to the WFC, since we are a young and dynamic sport.

Mrs. Mikkola is of the opinion that the IFF should not sanction the beauty contests, in connection to the WFC.

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Mrs. Bakke expressed that the IFF should not be behind this kind of activities, but we should remember that for example in Asia the beauty contests are very popular. Women in sports are far better candidates for beauty contest.

Mrs. Kotikova felt that this is communication and cultural question. Therefore respect of each other and balance is needed. The Czech players felt it was a good thing.

Mr. Kauppinen told that he can understand everyone's opinions, but strongly agree with Mrs. Mikkola and Mrs. Bakke.

Mr. King stressed that we need to make sure that the uniforms are the same for both genders. We also need to be careful not to become the morale police if the LOC wants to use it as a marketing tool in a good way.

Mr. Liljelund felt that there are three different levels here. The beauty contest is a local marketing matter, which the LOC is responsible for. The IFF has asked not to officially connect it with the WFC marketing, but the Swedish media has made it a hot potato.

Mr. Mikkola is asked how much freedom the LOC is given for local marketing.

Mr. Wolmhed agreed with Mr. Liljelund of the different levels of marketing. The beauty contest and the WFC should be fully separated and that all activities in connection to the beauty contest shouldn't be allowed in the IFF events. Mr Wolmhed also thinks that this type of contests is further creating a problem, due to the fact that it focuses of the beauty aspect, instead of the technical sporting skills, in the society which we in the Floorball community should avoid to be a part of.

Mr. Eriksson concluded that the IFF is not taking part of any Beauty contest in the WFC and the project is a part of the LOC marketing program.

Mr. Liljelund reported on TV situation, where a total of 20 matches are televised to at least 5 countries. IFF has also been able to secure the broadcast of the medal matches with Eurosport for their Nordic window (Nordic countries). The level of production of the Czech TV is really good.

In addition it has been agreed that the Slovak TV can film the 3 Slovak group games and the possible first level playoff match for news use in the group stage. **(Appendix 5)**

Some technical problems with the satellite segments has occurred, but have been solved.

The CB decided: To approve the reports.

b) WFC 2014 Sweden

Mr. Wolmhed is to report on the preparations of the Men's WFC 2014 in Gothenburg. The organisation is being built and a number of persons have been hired. The ticket sales will start in March and the ballot will be on the 25th or 26th of February. The discussion with TV has started and the match schedule, which will be dealt with during the spring. The LOC will organise a test event in 3th of January 2014, between Sweden and Czech Republic.

Mr. Kratz reported on the preparations of the WFCQ2014 to be played in Canada, Latvia, New Zealand, the Netherlands, Poland and Slovakia. All preparations are moving forward in respect to travelling and venues. The WFCQ in Slovakia has been faced with an issue, due to the possible change of ownership of tournament venue, but it has been settled during the last week.

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Mr. Eriksson gave positive feedback for the way the preparations have been dealt with.

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c) U19 WFC 2014 Poland

Mr. Kratz reported about the U19 WFC 2014 to be played in the cities of Babimost, Rakoniewice and Zbaszyn between the 30th of April to the 4th of May, 2014 with fourteen teams. The schedule is published but there can still be changes. A discussion is going on with LOC of a possible change of arena for the semifinals and final from Zbaszyn to Rakoniewice. The IFF Competition Department will discuss with the LOC, if the final venue can be changed.

The CB decided: To approve the report

d) New Organisers

Mr. Kratz reported on the two applications handed in for the organisation of the U19 WFC 2015, in order to find a replacement for the organiser, after Singapore has informed they are not in a position to organise the event. The Polish Federation has handed in an application for the U19 WFC2015 during the week, which however arrived way past the set dead-line.

The Swedish Floorball Federation (**Appendix 6a**) and the Slovak Floorball Association (**Appendix 6b**) has applied for the organisation of the Men's U19 WFC 2015. The late arrived Polish application was taken to the minutes. (**Appendix 6c**)

The IFF Competition Department proposes to appoint the Swedish Floorball Federation as the organiser of the U19 WFC2015.

For the following U19 WFCs IFF has received the application for Men's U19 WFC 2017 from Slovakia, Sweden and Switzerland and Switzerland has also applied for the organisation of the Women's U19 WFC 2018.

Mr. Kratz further informed that only the Slovak Floorball Association applied to organise the Women's WFC 2017 and the following member associations applied for the Men's WFC 2018, namely the Czech Republic, Finland and Slovakia.

The IFF has started the process of creating an Event Management Tool, which will make it easier for the applicants and the organisers to plan, execute and report the preparations to the IFF.

It will also give the IFF a direct insight in the preparations, saving time for all parties. In order to be able to connect this development, the IFF Office proposes to table the appointment of the organiser of the WFC 2017 to the CB meeting in May 2014 and the WFC 2018 to the CB latest in December 2014.

The CB decided: To approve the reports and appoint the Swedish Floorball Federation as the organiser for the U19 WFC2015. In addition the IFF CB will make the decision about the organiser of the Women's WFC 2017 and the U19 WFC 2017 and 2018, in its meeting in May 2014. The decision of the organiser of the Men's WFC 2018 will be made latest in the CB meeting in December 2014.

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§ 6. EuroFloorball Cup

a) EuroFloorball Cup 2013

Mr. Kratz gave a final report on the EFC Final round played in Trencin, Slovakia from the 9.-13.10.2013. The tournament was very well organized, with a new spectator record for the new system for the EFC with over 5000 spectators. Nauka-Trevelstroy (Russia) won the women's competition and Lekrings (Latvia) the men's, so they are qualified for the Champions Cup 2014.

Mr. Kratz further informed that Floorball Germany has informed that they, due to lack of interest from their Clubs, will not bid for the organization of the EFC 2014 Final round. Discussions with the Norwegian Federation and some other associations have started to find an organiser. The aim is to have it settled by the CB meeting in February. There has also been some interest for organising of the qualifications.

The CB decided: To approve the report.

b) Champions Cup

Mr. Kauppinen gave a final report concerning the organisation of the 3rd edition of the IFF Champions Cup, played in Tampere, Finland. The competition achieved the budgeted financial result of a minus of 70.000 Euro. The total number of spectators of 14.000 was a small disappointment for the organiser. The marketing campaign didn't bring as much spectators as hoped. The changes in the organisation caused some delays for the organiser. The main media didn't follow the competition. The cooperation with the City of Tampere worked very well and was a good rehearsal for the WFC2015 to be played in Tampere.

Mr. Liljelund gave a short report about the number of around 500.000 spectators on TV on five territories.

Mr. Suman reported on the Champions Cup Steering Group meeting held on the 07.11.2013, in Zürich, Switzerland, where the future of the Champions Cup was discussed in detail. (**Appendix 7**) The EFT countries are ready to work hard for the future of the event, in order for the International Floorball. The link with the EFT has to be secured. The main issue is to try to make some adjustments for the organiser for the Swiss organiser for 2014. The main issue is still how to make the event financially sustainable and the stakeholders are to come with specific proposals how to build the future Champions Cup by the 20th of December. Mr. Suman feels that we are able to secure the Event for the future.

Mr. Bollinger gave a short report on the preparations made by the Swiss Floorball Federation to organise the 4th edition of the Champions Cup in the Saalsportshalle in Zurich in 2014. The organisation is a huge financial investment. The financial risk is very high and SUHV is trying to reduce the costs finding possibilities to increase the income together with the marketing company. The SUHV has booked the whole Youth Hostel close to the Arena for the teams and the transportation will be made by public transportation. There has been an agreement made with a marketing agency. The contract will be signed with the SUHV in December.

The CB decided: To approve the reports

§ 7. Committees and Ad Hoc group reports

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a) ExCo reports

Mr. Eriksson gave a report on the IFF ExCo meeting held with the EFT Country Presidents in Zürich, Switzerland on the 4th of November, to discuss the cooperation of the EFT Countries in the coming years to reach the strategic targets. (**Appendix 8**). All the participants agreed on the format of the CC, but the questions related to the financial issues have to be looked over. The Name issue was also discussed among the idea of the Each One – Teach One project.

Mr. King reported on the present activities of the AOFC and the different projects going on with-in the AOFC. (**Appendix 9a-b**) There might be teams from Iran, India, Indonesia, Philippines playing a tournament during the WFCQ. The SEA Games was played in Myanmar, with first appearances of Myanmar and Indonesia. Singapore won both the man and women tournament.

Mrs. Mikkola gave a short report on the present development with-in the Americas and the actions taken in the different countries. (**Appendix 27**) Floorball Canada launched the Canadian Floorball League and the preparations are well underway and Jamaica has confirmed participation. The Sher-wood Floorball sticks has been approved by the SP, but not yet started marketing the products. There are a lot of small groups all over the Americas. The Hockey Canada hired a new manager for Floorball development area and thus will provide more attention to their school program, helping ensure its success.

The USFbA US held their first national championship in NYC this past November and has proposed a membership structure for 2014, but it will be decided in the next year. Generation Floorball has promoted that the sport can be played anywhere successfully. FloorballPlanet & FloorballPro partnered with USA Hockey who has launched their own stick and floorball program. More details to come. FloorballPlanet also helped the Dallas Stars launch their floorball program which it will roll out to schools across Texas.

Brazil held their Floorball Championships this summer with 7 teams from 3 states. They are also launching a manual to get groups started and running a University based study on how to introduce a new sport.

Mrs. Mikkola in addition informed that she has provided a feedback report to the Americas stakeholders.

Mr. Eriksson feels that it is very important to share the information of how to build the national associations and grow the development locally.

The CB decided: To approve the reports.

b) Contacts to International Sports Organisations

Mr. Eriksson reported on the demo tournament played in advance of the start of the SEA Games in Naypyidaw, Myanmar, in order to secure Floorball on the program for the 2015 SEA Game official program. The tournament was played with 3 men's (Malaysia, Myanmar and Singapore) and 3 women's (Indonesia, Malaysia and Singapore) teams.

The practical arrangements were conducted by the Singapore Floorball Association and IFF was responsible for the political support and contacts to the SEA Games Council. The IFF also dispatched Singaporean referees to the tournament. (**Appendix 10**).

In addition it was informed that the SEA Games Council has on the 10th of December decided to approve Floorball as a Category 3 Sport in the SEA Games Charta. (**Appendix 29**)

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Mr. King informed that the SEA Games will have on the short time frame an impact on the IFF Events, since the SEA countries will as a first option participate in the SEA Games.

Mr. Eriksson further informed about the SportAccord IF Forum held in Lausanne, Switzerland from the 4th to the 6th of November. The IF Forum concentrated on the efficient use of the Social Media. IFF held a number of meetings with different stakeholders during the event, including one with the SportAccord President Mr. Marius Vizer. (**Appendix 11**) In the meeting Mr. Vizer explained his objectives to build a United World Championships for all sports.

Mr. King asked what direction the IOC is going and how the SportAccord is reacting to this.

Mr. Eriksson informed about the present development in the International Sports Community.

Mr. Eriksson also informed that IFF has handed in the application for inclusion of Floorball to the International World Games Association (IWGA) 2017 World Games in Wroclaw, Poland. The decision will be made by the IWGA General Assembly in April 2014. (**Appendix 12**)

Mr. Kauppinen asked what the importance of being on the World Games, is it only a step on to the Olympics.

Mr. Eriksson answered that we need to participate in one multi-sport game and the World Games is one of the present possibilities.

Mr. Suman feels that the World Games is a good platform to create more visibility for us among the other federations and participating countries.

In addition to this Mr. Eriksson also informed that the IFF has handed in a questionnaire to the ARISF, concerning the organisation of IFF and the IFF view towards the ARISF and its activities. (**Appendix 13**) The aim with this process is to put forward the positions for the IOC Recognised sports, by raising the importance of the ARISF Sports in the multi-sport events. Mr. Eriksson thanked Mr. Liljelund for preparing the files.

Mr. Eriksson continued by informing that IFF has started to prepare a project with Mr. Jean-Laurent Bourquin, AdviSport, to support in the preparation of the IOC Short list application. The final decision will be made after the IOC has informed how the process for inclusion of new sports to the Olympic program will be dealt with. Mr. Eriksson proposed that the IFF CB would contract Mr. Bourquin to run the project in cooperation with the secretary general. (**Appendix 14**) The aim is to be in position to hand in an application for the IOC Short list in the Spring of 2015.

The FISU Executive Committee has appointed the Portuguese Student Sport Federation as the organiser of the WUC 2016. (**Appendix 15**)

Mr. Eriksson is further to report on the meetings held during the WADA Conference in Johannesburg, South Africa with IOC Executive Board members Mrs. Gunilla Lindberg, SportAccord secretary general Mr. Vlad Marinescu among others.

The CB decided: To approve the reports and decide to contract Mr. Bourquin for running the IOC Short List project.

c) RACC

Mr. Wolmhed gave a report on the activities performed by the RACC in the past months. The planning of the upcoming events is continuing and the discussion of the definition of the national leagues, in connection of the IFF Licence system, is ongoing.

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The RACC will have the IFF Game Rules Seminar, in connection to the WFC here in Ostrava. The RACC is planning to present a proposal for the implementation of the IFF Licence system and the future of the EFC competition to the February CB meeting.

The CB decided: To approve the report.

d) RC

Mr. Bollinger reported that an IFF RC member Mr. Erik Bilde has informed that he will resign from his post in the IFF RC due to personal reasons. The IFF RC has a substitution member Mr. Sergiy Mironov from Ukraine, but at the present time the RC doesn't see it necessary to increase the number of ordinary members within the RC

Mr. Bollinger further informed that the headsets for the referees were tested during the Champions Cup 2013 in Tampere and the feedback was mainly positive. The testing will continue during the Women's WFC 2013 with the equipment provided by the Swiss Federation. The RC will handle the feedback in its next meeting in February 2014 and will come up with a detailed report for the CB after this.

Mr. Bollinger proposes to nominate three new referee pairs to the men's category. There was a minor situation with the international referees in Sweden last spring, but now the situation has been cleared and the Swedish Federation has been able to propose the referees (**Appendix 16a-b**).

The nominated referees are:
Glenn Boström / Håkan Grahn-Gustavsson
Michael Walkert / Johan Råsbrink
Thomas Andersson / Rickard Wissman

Mr. Eriksson conveyed the thanks to the Swiss Federation, for giving the use of the head sets for the Referees in the tournament.

Mr. Lopez asked how the referees in the Development Group will become International Referees and the flow of communication to the National Associations.

The CB decided: To approve the report and add the proposed referees for the IFF Referee list, in the men's category.

e) Medical committee

Ms. Bruun reported about the present status concerning the IFF Anti-Doping Work, the Medical Committee and the cooperation with WADA.

All planned out of competition tests for 2013 (31), performed by IFF has been ordered. The World Anti-Doping Code 2015 was approved at the WADA World Conference (**Appendix 17**) and the WADA has sent out the first edition of the model rules for the IF's. The most important document we are waiting for is the WADA Risk Assessment document, in order for us to know what we are to test. The doping tests are being planned for the WFCQ's and the Say No to Doping campaign started here yesterday in the WFC. The Medical Committee Chair Mr. Walter Frey participated in an Anti-Doping in Sports Consensus Meeting on 29 November 2013, hosted by FIFA in Zürich, Switzerland. IFF to participate in the first International Conference on the Implementation of the Revised World Anti-Doping Code (ICIC2014), 15-17 January 2014, the Netherlands.

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The IFF Anti-Doping Manager has been invited by WADA to participate in the WADA Outreach Program at the Sochi Olympic Games February 15th - 24th 2014 (**Appendix 18**).

Mr. Wolmhed asked if the Risk Assessment document will determine what type of testing we need to perform.

Ms. Bruun explained how the WADA is treating the issue and how the test menu is to be built.

The CB decided: To approve the report.

f) Athletes Commission

Mrs. Kotikova gave a short report on the activities performed by the Athletes Commission since the last CB meeting. There has been set up a flow of information to the ATC after the IFF CB meetings.

The Athletes Commission proposes that Mr. Emanuel Antener will be the ATC member in the RACC. The Athletes Commission will later propose a representative to the RC in beginning of 2014.

The Athletes Commission needs to create plan how to coordinate to approach some high-profile players to participate on the Athletes Blog on the IFF web page.

Mr. Kotikova presented a plan for 2014, where firstly to present a scheme for the 1st annual meeting of ASC in May 2014 in the CB February meeting. Secondly we need to do additional work on ACS page on IFF Web page updating. Thirdly to check the action plan 2014 of RACC/RC/MC to be ready to provide serious and clear players input.

Mr. Kauppinen felt that it would be important to have high level players to write upon topics on the web page.

Mr. Kratz reported on the candidate nomination for the IFF Athletes Commission female members and the result of the election performed among the players participating in the WFC2013. The following athletes have been nominated and the participating athletes have given their votes during the ongoing WFC 2013. A total of 180 valid votes (56,3 %) have been given with the following result. (**Appendix 19**)

Eliisa Alanko, Finland (new)	79 votes
Josefina Eiremo, Sweden (new)	69 votes
Magdalena Kotikova, Czech Republic (re-election)	67 votes

In accordance with the rules for the IFF Athletes Commission these three are automatically elected and has only to be confirmed by the CB.

Silvana Nötzli, Switzerland (new)	58 votes
Baiba Jarusa, Latvia (new)	43 votes
Brigitta Radacsi, Hungary (new)	34 votes
Tanja Matijasevic, Slovenia (new)	31 votes
Line Murtnes Hagestande, Norway (re-election)	30 votes

The CB has the possibility for sport reasons the possibility to elect the fourth female member of the Athletes Commission.

Mr. Kotikova proposed to elect Ms. Brigitta Radacsi, Hungary as the fourth female member of the IFF Athletes Commission.

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The CB decided: To approve the report, to confirm the election result of Ms. Eliisa Alanko (FIN), Josefina Eiremo (SWE), Magdalena Kotikova (CZE) and chose Ms. Birgitta Radacsi (HUN) as the fourth female member of the ATC.

g) Marketing Ad Hoc group

Mr. Suman reported on the discussions held and plans made in order to intensify the marketing and sales activities of Floorball and IFF.

The Core Country Marketing Network Group had its meeting during the Champions Cup in Tampere on Friday the 4th of October, to start the cooperation on a new level and to discuss the possibilities to intensify the marketing work (**Appendix 20**).

Mr. Suman pointed out that there were a number of members of the CCMNG which didn't participated in the meeting. In the meeting we tried to create an understanding of the marketing portfolio, to move further with the selling part.

The CB decided: To approve the report

h) Development & Equality Ad Hoc group

Mr. Kauppinen reported on the plans of the launch of the Each One – Teach One program at the IFF Associations meeting, which the IFF CB has approved in the per capsulam meeting. (**Appendix 21**) The process will now be concluded in the meeting in the next days.

It is important that all participants of the Associations meeting shall not only be pupils, but also teachers.

The Equality function has together with the four EFT countries decided to start a girls- and women project in relation to the Association meeting in Ostrava 2013.

The CB decided: To approve the report

i) International Lobbying Ad Hoc group

Mr. King reported on the discussion held by the CB during the working session and the actions to be taken in order to speed up the lobbying work and the launch of the IFF Lobby flyer for the Associations meeting.

The CB decided: To approve the report

§ 8. IFF Office

Mr. Liljelund reported that IFF has in agreement with Mr. Jan Ögren-Fjellestad not used the option to continue his employment as the IFF Development Coordinator. Mr. Ögren will end his employment on the 31st of December 2013.

In addition IFF has employed a trainee for 6 months, namely Mr. Philipp Hamann, from Germany, who is finalising his Bachelor studies and preparing his final thesis about the financial system of the IFF WFC's.

The CB decided: To approve the report

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a) Development operations

Mr. King reported on the development seminar to be held in Wellington, New Zealand in connection to the WFCQ2014. There will be 3-4 countries present, even if the initial idea was to give high level education for the participating teams. Now a program has been put in place to run an interactive coaching course and the invitation has been sent to eight countries.

Mr. Liljelund reported that discussions has been started to run a set of Floorball seminars or clinics in China, Lithuania, Spain/Portugal and South Africa during 2014. The plans are to be finalised in beginning of 2014.

IFF has entered into an agreement with a company called XFBall, which has produced a web based application, in which you can animate Floorball drills. The XFBall is run by the former Swedish national team coach Mr. Christer Olsson and he is offering the IFF and all member associations 15 per cent each of the defined net income of the Premium users of the XFBall. The launch of the program will be in end of January 2014.

The CB decided: To approve the reports.

b) Information operations

Ms. Bruun reported about the made lay-out change of the IFF web page www.floorball.org, giving more focus to social media, photos and videos on the web page.

The new version of the IFF web page, created a lot of issues with the servers, which has forced us to change the www.floorball.org server.

In addition to this the IFF Mobile App has been updated for the WFC. (**Appendix 22**) We have a total of about 2000 active users and around 800 taking part in the "Guessing the result". The mobile application has been downloaded by over 10.000 devices.

The IFF Office had a meeting with the Mobile App developers – the OK Systems, where the situation of the statistics system is critical.

Mr. Eriksson is very happy with the reached results. Mr. Eriksson asked for a plan for how to work with the social media in the February meeting.

The CB decided: To approve the report and to further discuss the social media plan in the next CB meeting.

c) Material operations

Mr. Liljelund reported on the yearly meeting with the IFF Testing Institute SP on the general operations of the Material system. (**Appendix 23**). The main subjects of the meeting were the running of the Material system and the market controls.

The CB decided: To approve the report.

d) ParaFloorball operations

Ms. Bruun reported on the ongoing communication with the different organisations with ParaFloorball activities.

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The IFF supported the application sent to Special Olympics International about SO Floorball to become an official sport with-in the SO Winter Games. The SO International will make the decision about this in January 2014.

In addition there were more countries taking part in the ParaGames Manual Wheelchair tournament. (**Appendix 24**)

Mr. Eriksson is pleased with the work done in the field of ParaFloorball, since it is important to enter on the IPC.

Mrs. Bakke asked how we could integrate the Norwegian version of electric Floorball.

The CB decided: To approve the reports

e) Association Meeting, Ostrava 2013

Mr. Eriksson presented the plans for the running of the 2nd IFF Associations meeting, to be held at the Clarion Hotel in Ostrava on the 13th and 14th of December in conjunction to the Finals of the 9th Women's WFC 2013.

A total of 29 countries have registered for the Association meeting. The meeting will be held between 10-17 on Friday the 13th and 09-13 on Saturday the 14th.

The ExCo has continued the work with the Agenda of the meeting and the idea has been to involve the participants as much as possible. Each CB member has been assigned a task in the meeting. The Agenda has been sent out to the participants already earlier. (**Appendix 25**)

The CB decided: To approve the report.

§ 9. Member Federations

a) Membership questions

Mr. Liljelund reported about the development with the Croatian Floorball and their lack of interest to follow the agreement made, in order to allow their "National Team" to play an international match against Denmark. It has to us become quite clear that Mr. Djakovic is either not in a position or has no interest of solving this issue. What the reasons are for this we don't know, but it has become clear that there is little he is willing to do in the matter.

The IFF concludes that the Croatian Floorball Federation has failed to fulfill the requirements set towards them after the agreement was made for the friendly international between Croatia and Denmark. This would free the situation, since whatever organisation he has in Croatia, IFF is not due to the violation ready to accept it as member. This leaves the door open for the group based in Sweden to start a new organisation, under the supervision of IFF. IFF has been in contact to this group during the last week. (**Appendix 30**)

The CB decided: To approve the report.

b) Members under suspension

Mr. Eriksson reported on the negotiations held with the Malaysian Floorball Association President Mr. Rizal, in connection to the fact that Malaysia are still under suspension, but still participating in the SEA Games in Myanmar.



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The Malaysian Floorball Association has been under re-organisation and has sent in an application to replace the non-existent association, with the new one registered by the authorities in good standings. (**Appendix 28ab**)

The CB decided: To approve the report and approve the new organisation as a IFF Provisional member from 2013 and hence lift the suspension from December 1st 2013. The association shall fulfil all member duties for the 2013.

c) New Member Applications

The IFF has received a membership application from the Cameroonian Floorball Association already a year ago, but the Association has now updated the application and all other information exists apart from the confirmation if the association is registered by any official sports authority. The CB is to discuss the approval of the application. (**Appendix 26a-d**)

The organisation Myanmar Hockey Federation has approached IFF in order to apply for membership, after having taken part in the SEA Games Demo tournament with a Floorball team consisting of hockey players. The Myanmar Hockey Federation has been informed of how to act in this question, but there has to this date yet not been any application handed in.

The CB decided: To approve the reports and approve the Cameroonian Floorball Association as IFF provisional member Nr. 57.

§ 10. Next CB meeting

Mr. Eriksson presents the plan to organise the next CB meetings as follows in 2014:

CB 01/2014 08.-09.2.

CB 02/2014 17.-18.5.

CB 03/2014 06.-07.9.

CB 04/2014 08.-09.11.

CB 05/2014 12.12.

IFF General Assembly Sat 13.12.

§ 11. Closing of the meeting

Mr. Eriksson ended the meeting at 16:45 thanked all for a good meeting and a very productive year 2013 well performed by the CB..

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