

2020 AIBA Extraordinary Executive Committee Meeting Decisions

(by videoconference - September 30th, 2020)

- 1. Opening remarks by AIBA Interim President, Dr Mohamed Moustahsane: he prefaced by encouraging everyone to focus on the best interest of boxing and to show the National Federation that the EC did the right choice and succeeded in its mission. He welcomed the newly appointed EC members Mr Dian Gomes and Mr Felipe Martinez and highlighted their added value to AIBA.
- 2. Roll call: the quorum was reached, members excused: Mapu Jamias, Volodomyr Prodyvus. Irma Testa. Gay Uera and Alfred Bongo joined the meeting later during the Reform Commission Report.
- 3. Approval of previous 2020 EC meeting minutes Budapest: <u>the minutes were</u> <u>approved</u>. One remark was made on behalf of Mr Kremlev, to exclude the boxer Darima Sandakova from the list of boxers to be transferred to Serbian National Federation, a separate correspondence will be sent to AIBA HQs on this matter. Another remark by Mr AI Otaiba, who added that AIBA should deal with any IOC message in a serious way since the IOC raised a concern about AIBA Forums.
- 4. Discussion on the draft AIBA revised Constitution Report of the Reform Commission: AIBA legal Counsel explained in detail all suggestions to the Draft Constitution where a decision by the Executive Committee is required. The EC voted the following points:
 - The Congress can authorize the Board to approve the admission of the AIBA Provisional Member as a Full Member (upon fulfilment of some predefined conditions) – <u>was approved with 4 abstentions</u>. AIBA Legal Counsel shall specify a condition or conditions the satisfaction of which will result in the Provisional Member thereupon becoming a National Federation without further recourse to the Congress.
 - No age limit for a candidate in order to be eligible, will be included in the new constitution was approved with 3 abstentions.
 - No language requirement for a candidate in order to be eligible, will be included in the new constitution was approved with 3 abstentions.

Mr Falcinelli suggested a proposal to be made regarding the powers of the Board so that the chair of any AIBA committees cannot be a member of the Board of Directors & Board members should not be ITOs, neither have a role in competitions. This shall not apply to the Athletes Committee. It was also suggested that certain members of Commissions can be invited without right to vote to the Board meetings. Based on debate, an appropriate detailed article needs to be drafted to be added in new regulations, and a general reference of this principle to the new Constitution by AIBA Lawyers (perhaps article 46). The final wording is to be proposed and voted later by the EC via an email vote.



The revised draft Constitution was approved by a majority vote with 3 abstentions. 2 above points discussed (provisional membership & powers of the board suggestion) to be addressed later by mail vote within the next 48 hours).

- 5. Report on AIBA legal issues: Mr Ramoni spoke about the old pending debt issue with Benkons, risks of threatened litigation with Mr Ho Kim and possible legal risks with FCIT. Mr AI Otaiba requested for a written summary of these matters to be shared with all EC by email.
- 6. Report on AIBA financial situation: Mr Garea informed that today AIBA received 1 million based on the contract of the Global Boxing Cup, another 4 million are due by the end of this year. AIBA also expects to receive 1 million as a part of the host fee payment from Serbian NF which will host the Men's World Championship in 2021. AIBA operational expenses were reduced to 0.8 million for 2020, however regular debt remains between 0.7 > 1 million. The limited risk audit of the last 2 years will start next Monday. The audited accounts will be presented to the EC for approval and then to the Congress in December. Finally, he informed the EC that Swiss Government partially contributed to pay the staff salaries due to the current crisis.

The payment issue with Alkai Computer was discussed once again. The contract related to AIBA database was signed for a 4 years' term for a total € 408K. In case of non-payment there is a risk of no recovery of AIBA's data, possibility to continue paying a monthly fee shall be considered.

- 7. Report on WSB status: there was a court hearing this month on the bankruptcy postponement. WSB was be able to present to the Judge that it is not over indebted and could be out of the bankruptcy. Thanks to the payment from Russia, and to Cuba for subordinated and abandoned a part of its prize money so the WSB accounts look positive. However, there are still certain measures to be taken to solve the financial difficulties and improve the finances of WSB.
- 8. Report of the AIBA Marketing Commission: the main achievements of the Commission are successful 2020 AIBA Forums held in Panama, Fiji and Jordan, EUBC and AFBC Forums cancelled due to the epidemiological situation. With the support of the Marketing Commission the International Boxing Day united many countries from all the continents, with "Best in Boxing" awards ceremony, flashmob under the motto "Boxing is everywhere" and Online broadcast of the International Boxing Day celebrations which was watched by more than 1 million people.

The Commission also presented the brief update regarding the 2021 Men's World Boxing Championships to be held in Belgrade, Serbia and provided more details on proposed the Global Boxing Cup (GBC) which will be the only Team Olympic Boxing style competition regrouping the best nations with 1,750 000 CHF prize money.

The Commission is working in close collaboration with AIBA experienced officials to deliver online educational programs and social media development. Mr Ray Silvas added that so far 10 different R&J seminars were held in America, 1 is upcoming in Caribbean, 1 in Asia and he is currently in discussion with EUBC. Pilot 1&2-star R&J courses will be launched soon.



- 9. Approval of amendments to AIBA Technical & Competition Rules based on the Medical Commission recommendations: a mail vote will be prepared accordingly.
- 10. Approval of AIBA Anti-Doping Regulations (valid as of January 1, 2021 in accordance with the revised World Anti-Doping Code). A copy of the revised rules was sent to all EC

prior to the meeting. <u>The EC unanimously approved the new Rules to be valid as of January</u> <u>2021.</u> They will be published accordingly on AIBA website.

11. Ratification of members of the Disciplinary and Ethics Commissions:

EC ratified the members of the AIBA Disciplinary Commission as follow:

Francois Strydom (RSA) Alexandra Monkhouse (CAN) Hassan Ali Bin Ali (QAT) Glenn Feldman (USA) Chairman Member Member Member

<u>AIBA EC ratified the appointment of Bernhard Welten (SUI) as Chairman of the AIBA Ethics</u> <u>Commission.</u> A separate mail vote will be sent to EC by email to ratify the members of the Ethics Commission.

- **12. Preparation of the 2020 Ordinary Congress:** several members of the EC expressed their view to ask for the recommendations of the IOC regarding the Congress organization and to keep a constant contact in this regard. It was also proposed to invite an observer from the IOC during the Congress.
 - a. Decision to hold the Congress virtually: <u>AIBA EC unanimously approved to hold the</u> <u>next AIBA's Ordinary Congress 2020 on December 12-13 in a virtual format by</u> <u>electronic means.</u>
 - b. Approval of the technical system for the virtual Congress and voting: <u>AIBA EC</u> <u>unanimously approved to work with LUMI as e-voting system provider for the</u> <u>Congress.</u>
 - c. Revision of the AIBA Bylaws (change of the registration deadline removal of references to the Executive Director for the Congress procedure): all proposed changes were approved by the EC.
 - d. Adoption of Electoral procedures: was approved by a majority vote of AIBA EC.
- **13.Additional business:** Mr Anas raised a point about the legal situation if the Interim President would run for AIBA Presidency. Mr. Claude explained that in such case Dr Moustahsane will not need to resign from his Interim Presidency position but according to the AIBA Statutes he will not be able to present his report on the day of the Congress.



14.Closing remarks: Interim President thanked the EC members for their time and participation and closed the meeting.

Dr. Mohamed Moustahsane AIBA Interim President