



2020 AIBA Extraordinary Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

(by videoconference – November 6th, 2020)

1. **Roll call:** the quorum was reached.
Members excused: Jurgen Kyas.
Members absent: Mapu Jamias, Irma Testa, Gay Uera, Alfred Bongo.
Mr. Mohamed Touma joined the meeting later during the discussion on FCIT.
Mr. Bernhard Welten, the Chair of AIBA Ethics Commission and AIBA Election Committee was also invited and was present at the meeting.
2. **Opening remarks by AIBA Interim President, Dr Mohamed Moustahsane:** he welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Mr. Falcinelli took the opportunity to inform his colleagues about the new postponement of the Olympic Qualifiers due to the current pandemic.

Mr Anas Al Otaiba raised a matter on appointing a different Chair to lead the meeting as Dr. Moustahsane is a candidate for the upcoming election in December. However, the proposal was rejected as there is no legal restrictions on this point stated in AIBA Statutes or Bylaws. However, the Interim President still decided to pass the floor to Mr. Tanner who took over to chair the meeting henceforth.
3. **Decision on Ethics Commission members ratification:** Dr Moustahsane started by informing the EC of their decision further to the mail vote sent to them by email on October 5th, 2020, to ratify the members of the AIBA Ethics Commission. By a majority vote, the following members have been appointed to serve on AIBA Ethics Commission:
 1. Henry Biggs (USA)
 2. Michael McNamee (UK)
 3. Erika Riedl (ITA-SUI)
 4. Malek Badri (TUN)Mr Henry Biggs (USA) received the most votes and therefore was selected as AIBA Ethics Commission Vice Chair.
4. **AIBA Election Committee:** The Interim President announced that the AIBA Election Committee is working now in its full composition, consisting of Chairman of AIBA's Ethics Commission Mr. Welten Bernhard Heinrich (SUI), Chairman of AIBA's Disciplinary Commission, Mr. Strydom Francois Paul (RSA) and the independent member Dr. Ordway Catherine (AUS).
5. **Approval of previous EEC online meeting minutes from September 30th, 2020:** the minutes were approved with few remarks to be completed about the database issue raised by Mrs. Grueva and Mr Anas's view on AIBA forums and legal position regarding AIBA Interim President possible running for future President's role.

6. **AIBA Legal disputes – update:** Mr Ramoni, AIBA Legal Counsel provides the EC with an update on the situation with FCIT.
7. **Report on AIBA financial situation:** Mr. Garea informed that cash expenditure has been controlled in order to reserve and maximise cash position; to prevent over-indebtedness

situations and guarantee its ability to repay its debts. He added that prior years financials (accounts 2018-2019 & 2019-2020) are being reviewed with final version available by Nov 9th, 2020.

With regard to the Cash Flow projections, AIBA EC shall be concerned because the current cash balance is insufficient to guarantee Benkons' settlement for 1M due in January 2021.

Despite having two major contracted incomes based on the host city agreement with Serbia for 2021 Men's WCH of 5 Million plus Global Boxing Cup payment of 5 Million, the cash has not been received as contracted. The risk is considered by the auditors as too significant to obtain a "positive" opinion.

Dr Moustahsane asked if Mr. Mikhailov could try to check with Benkons to postpone the repayment for one year even though Mr Mikhailov has no juridical relations with the company.

Mr Umar Kremlev proposed to purchase Benkons debt indeed with due diligence properly carried out to make sure it does not have any conflict with his current candidacy for future AIBA presidential election.

Mr Garea continued by presenting to the EC two possible audit outcomes:

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Based on our limited review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the financial statements do not comply with Swiss law and the association's articles of incorporation.

Without qualifying our conclusion, we draw attention to the notes to the financial statements describing a material uncertainty that may cast doubt about the ability of International Boxing Association to continue as a going concern.

International Boxing Association is in over-indebtedness situation and its ability to repay its debts will depend upon the proper execution of two agreements signed for 2021 championships.

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With regard to going concern and the valuation basis, we note the following: Based on our review, we have to assume that International Boxing Association developed liquidity problems and is in over-indebtedness situation.

The ability of International Boxing Association to continue as a going concern and to repay its debts will depend upon the proper execution of two agreements signed for 2021 championships.

As of today, the payment schedule for first championship has not been respected and the payments for the second championship are expected in December 2020.



If those respective amounts are not received before January 2021, International Boxing Association will not be able to repay its debt when they fall due.

As a result of these matters, we were unable to assess the going concern assumption.

Due to the possible effect of the matter described in the preceding paragraph, we are not in a position to express an examination conclusion.

Should the association be unable to continue as a going concern, the financial statements would have to be prepared on the basis of liquidation values and the Executive Committee

would have to consider the Association as insolvent which will lead to its dissolution.

Mr Garea was questioned if AIBA currently has a bank account which is properly working. He clarified that the old Serbian account with API bank was closed due to the payment restrictions but recently a new account with the same API bank in Serbia was opened and now should be fully functional. Also, AIBA has a Swiss account with Corner bank, but it is only for large transactions.

- 8. Preparation of the 2020 Ordinary Congress:** the list of eligible NFs was published on AIBA website with a total of 143 National Federations (NFs) eligible out of 200. To date, there are 102 NFs registered, the delegates registration closes on Nov 12th.

Mrs. Benitez raised a matter regarding the eligibility of Venezuela to vote and participate at the upcoming Congress. According to the information AIBA office received from AMBC, the federation did not pay the 2020 membership fee within the deadline and thus was not included on the list of eligible federations to the 2020 Congress. However, Mrs Benitez explained that her federation paid the outstanding money to AIBA's account before the deadline and on October 6th for which they have provided a proof of payment. The money was returned for problems attributed to AIBA, respectively AIBA's bank. Based on these statements, she was advised to address the AIBA Election Committee by a separate correspondence to further clarify the matter.

AIBA Election Committee received many requests from National Federations to reassess their eligibility. They had carefully studied each case and then have accepted some of members as eligible based on the acceptable reasons.

Mr. Tanner also expressed his concerns regarding the AIBA Election Committee admitting some National Federations as eligible after the official deadline passed.

Regarding the joint letter regarding Constitution response by USA & England Boxing, AIBA Legal Counsel will evaluate all observations and he suggests that federations willing to suggest amendment be asked to build up more concrete proposals so the proposals can be discussed at the Congress.

Taking into consideration the worldwide time differences, the Congress will be held from 12:00 CET to 17:00 CET on both days, December 12 - 13, 2020.

Q&A session (s) to clarify all Constitutional amendments will be organized with National Federations prior to the Congress.

AIBA EC approved the Congress Agenda, with the presidential election taking place on the first day of the Congress on December 12th and Audit reports together with the approval of a new AIBA Constitution taking place on the 2nd day, December 13th, 2020.

- 9. Additional business:** Request for the change of sport nationality for the boxer Zvetelina Petrova by Bulgarian Boxing Federation was approved.

AOB Elite Category Age Eligibility 2021: due to the postponement of several elite competitions during 2020, many elite athletes could be deprived of opportunities to represent their countries in events now taking place in 2021. Therefore, subsequent to discussions and a decision by AIBA's Executive Committee on November 06, boxers born in the year 1980 will be allowed to box in AOB Elite competitions for the year 2021, up until

the Olympic Games 2021. It was suggested that boxers provide medical fit certificate and have a valid insurance.

Consequently, the AIBA's Executive Committee approved the Finnish Boxing Federation request that the boxer Ms. Mira Potkonen is eligible to box in AOB elite competitions in 2021.

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



Dr. Mohamed Moustahsane
AIBA Interim President