



International **Quidditch** Association

IQA Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

Saturday, 20 April 2019

19:00 UTC - 21:00 UTC

Minutes: Betsy Lewin-Leigh

Attendance

Voting members

- Alberto Coronado
- Betsy Lewin-Leigh (Secretary)
- Pauline Raes
- Rahel Liviero
- Austin Wallace

Executives

Apologies

- Jessyka Schwandt
- Alex Benepe
- Vanessa Sliva (Treasurer)
- Luke Nickholds (Chair)

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Confirm Agenda

Review conflicts of interest

Rahel conflict with Switzerland as VP of the Swiss NGB so has a conflict on the membership vote, will not be voting in this.

Confirmation of Previous Minutes

World Cup 2020

Forum hours for NGBs for the WC vote. Three suggested. Pre vote and during vote suggested. Options then to be sent to NGBs.

Monday 19:00 UTC (Evening Europe/Africa)

Tuesday 7:00 UTC (Evening Australia/Asia)

Saturday 01:00 UTC (Evening Americas)

Each aimed at different time zones to allow everyone a chance to attend, however all are welcome to attend any. Could do Saturday evening but left open in case another board meeting is needed.

Option to create another channel for WC 2020 voting with members from Congress to stop the congress channel getting clogged up.

Membership Proposal

Finding the line between bumping up NGBs and allowing them to chose to move up. Previously discussed 1.5 rule, moving NGBs up if they hit at least 1.5 of any of the categories.

Review of the membership numbers, possibility of A list and B list for NGBs so they know what to priorities. Other option only having one list but giving a clear guideline to NGBS regarding what would be required. Possible Guidelines for NGBs- Run a national tournament that is attended by teams across the county. NGBs to submit info to the membership department that then gets passed along before the board vote.

Possible exemptions - population, economic option

Economic exemptions could push NGBs up to membership statues they are not ready for. However some are already nearly at the criteria.

Could offer Membership Fee changes for NGBs in the population or economic exemptions.
Economic postponed for a second draft as it will not impact the vote

Some NGBs would on the population basis. If they are under 10mil they need to meet one criterion and be within 25% of another in order to be eligible to apply to the board to be a full member.

One more criterion would be ideal to bring it to $\frac{2}{3}$ and $\frac{2}{3}+25\%$ however a fifth criterion is not yet known.

Membership Fees, how to charge NGBs. Flat fee combined with per team suggested.

Continued discussion about the membership fee options.

Decision made to bring numbers to finance and discuss technicalities and numbers.

Discussion about moving membership categories between full and developing status pre World Cup vote

Must move down before the vote ends, their vote will not be counted if they move down, possible deadline to decide of Friday or end of the vote. Concern about them having longer meaning they could influence the decision but more time for them to decide is more important.

If they vote then it is taking as choosing not to move down. Must specify if they want to move down but have not voted.

If they do not move down they will have to pay fees for the year and will not be allowed to immediately move down.

Vote not held on membership status for NGBs already requested to move due to NGBs needing to fill out the application form for movement. Vote could be held over slack or email rather than another meeting.

Sharing with NGBs specific numbers for criteria, in a different format from the current proposal.

Senior IQA Organisation

Other Business

- Finance Committee
- Term Lengths of Board Members
- Spokesperson