

WRABF Minutes 2011 - USA

Countries present ; USA - Craig Young, RSA - Nick Schoonwinkle, Finland - Jens Lagas and Ulla Upe Murisoja, Czech Republic - Ladislav Ninger, UK - Alan Grayson and John Farrell, Australia - Richard Lightfoot, Germany - Carlo Lackas, Italy – Renato Contarato.

President - Bill Collaros (Chair)
Secretary - Carl Boswell

Meeting started at 7.10 on 30/7/11

Apologies from those not attending the meeting/ championship and registration of proxy votes from Holland and Italy.

Verification of minutes from meeting in 2008. No Business arising.

Presidents report - Bill is thrilled and very positive about the future, with new countries joining. the WRABF is a world federation and we are working together as a group to develop the sport. We now have 18 member states.

He asks all delegates to keep up to date with their contact details. (addendum - these will now go on the website for ease of contact).

RSA asked at this point if the country proposing but loosing the bid for the next WC be allow to have the next WC. Votes 6 in favour - motion carried.

The present committee has now been verified to stay on until the next WC in 2015.

Presentations followed from Australia and RSA to hold the next WC. This was by secret ballot, due to the wishes of some member states.

Ballots were counted by the secretary - these were 3 in favour of RSA and 5 in favour of Australia.

WC 2015 Australia
WC 2019 RSA

Ladislav Ninger vice president of the WRABF and President of the ERABSF announced the next World Cup would be held in Plzen in 2013 - thus completing our cycle of an international championship every two years. He asked for a vote from euro delegates and the vote was unanimous of those there.

Agenda Items.

0. Team sizes - debate followed with the following vote results - open numbers - 5, max 10 - 1, max 6 - 2. The result is to have open numbers for national teams per event, depending on what facilities allow at each championship. Therefore numbers allocated to each country will change from championship to championship. Allocations will need to be made at least 6 months prior to the championship date.
1. Relays per day. Motions was carried to have only 6 relays per day, maximum. Carl Boswell reminded delegates this would affect national team sizes per match or extend the championship length depending on the facilities of at each of the championships.

2. Altering distance or classes to reduce championship length - lots of discussion and the vote was cast 4/5 in favour of making no changes at this time.
3. Selection of teams by International criteria - 7\1 in favour of countries being responsible for their own team selection - with suggestion this is based on using scores from a number of events.
4. Replugging - no replugging will take place after plugging and the letter 'p' place on the target diagram - (addendum - a hawk eye system will be introduced for the protest committee to use in case of protest).
5. FM - we keep by unanimous vote.
6. Timings of events in the year - as we have at the moment as there is little alternative, with championships now being held every two years. The summer months of July and August are the premium dates.
7. Targets - for shooting a target frame penalty of \$20/€20. For shooting the logo or main scoring boxes \$5/€5.
8. Sporter class - the rules will remain as is. The name will be international sporter.
9. Air Rifle - there are four classes at present, one of which is not shot at all and not popular in most countries. Air Rifle Sporter will therefore be dropped as a class from international events. To reduce the amount of time at world events HVA will also be dropped. Air rifle events for the future will be LV and the current HVB, now know simply as HV - carried by 7/1.
10. WRABF fees - there is a need to have fees for the running costs of the association - website, awards where necessary, insurance for officers of the organisation, etc. After much discussion it has been agreed that this will be set at \$40 per year. If countries find difficulty with this they need to contact either/ both the president/ secretary of the federation. These fees will start as of the new year 2012.
11. Advice has been taken to produce a safety document for all range officers and competitors so they know what to do during practice and during the event.
12. Notice is also given that some rules will be considered over the next year, as they need to be amended/ discussed. Some of these will be about team tie rules, reducing the protest time from 30 minutes to 15 minutes to speed up the end of the day presentation. These will be in place for the World Cup 2013.

The meeting ended at 9.35