

IMMAF Board Meeting

Location: Ascot Room, Hilton Metropole Hotel, Pendigo Way,
Marston Green, The NEC Birmingham B40 1PP.

Date: Wednesday 18th November 2015.

Time: 2.00pm GMT/ 3.00pm CET.

Roll call: Bertrand Amoussou (BA), George Sallfeldt (GS) Vice
President, Kerrith Brown (KB) President, August Wallen (AW), Stewart
Brain (SB) by telephone, Raymond Phillips (RP), Tom Madsen (TM),
Wissam Abinader (WA), Frank Babcock (FB).

Executive staff: Densign White (DW) CEO. Additive: Carin Tylan.

Agenda items:	Discussion	Action/Decision
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1. Apologies:	Frank Babcock	
2. Presidents Welcome	KB welcomed Board to UK on the occasion of the 1 st European Open.	
4. Approval of previous minutes		Approved. Proposed by RP and seconded by SB.

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5. Matters arising/Actions from previous minutes.		None
6. Correspondence (UKMMAF, Jordan federation)	CEO informed the BoD of correspondence from UKMMAF and Jordanian MMA federation.	CEO has sent written reply to the presidents of both UKMMAF and JordanianMMAF
7. Presidents Report (KB).	a) David Allen (non-executive role sponsorship, branding & commerce).	BoD agreed to employ the services of Dave Allen starting in 2106. KB and GS to negotiate salary with DA.
	b) European Open update. Equipment sponsored by Greenhill. AW- Equipment needs to continue to improve	KB to follow up on future Greenhill sponsorship and equipment improvements.

<p>8. CEO report</p> <p>a) Progression scheme (DW):</p> <p>.</p>	<p>The BoD had been presented with the progression scheme developed by UKMMAF.</p>	<p>To take the progression scheme forward. AW suggests finding a name for the PS that distinguishes between recreational and Pro. BA suggests 'educational MMA' or use the word 'recreational'.</p>
<p>b) Draft report UFC.</p>	<p>CEO had sent to BoD a copy of the quarterly activity report to Garry Cook at UFC.</p>	<p>Completed</p>
<p>c) My Next Match</p>	<p>Mr. Oner Avara updated the BoD on progress of MNM so far. He had good response from CZE and Irish federations. He is collecting information to set up NGB dashboards,</p>	

	and fixing bugs in the system to improve performance. The PR and communication will be done in cooperation with IMMAF.	
d) WADA matters	The one positive test result from the world championships is still in process. The athlete had requested the testing of the B sample. This was also positive for Amphetamine	CEO to close this matter a.s.a.p.
e) EGM.	BoD informed that there were the required numbers of National Federation presidents and postal votes in for a quorate meeting and to make the necessary changes to the Statutes and approve budgets for 2016/17, also to grant full membership to those members that comply with article 9 of the statutes.	CEO

<p>f) Membership update.</p>	<p>BoD informed of issues in Lebanon, Jordan, Azerbaijan and Kazakhstan. WA did not take part in the decision reached by the BoD with regards to Lebanon and Jordan.</p>	<p>IMMAF will continue to recognize only WA federation, the Lebanese MMA Committee. Jordan will remain an observational member. IMMAF will not recognize newly formed confederation of Arab countries.</p>
<p>9. Financial Report (CT).</p>	<p>Finances are very tight. Priority is to ensure we have enough to cover staff salaries, vendors to European championships.</p>	<p>CEO/CT</p>
<p>10. Commercial update (TM).</p>	<p>TM informs BoD that he has employed a new assistant in his office. TM asked if BoD members have potential sponsor contacts to send to him. TM explains that we need a sponsor kit to sell the IMMAF brand. GS commented that IMMAF must find ways to invest more to commercial activity.</p>	<p>Board to supply potential sponsorship leads for TM to follow up.</p>

<p>11. Youth Policy (GS)</p>	<p>Topic of safety ladder for children’s activity without competition was introduced. Competition could be introduced further on up the ladder. GS ask for a mandate from the BoD to continue this work with Swedish lawyers. This policy will be aligned with the children’s UN charter of children’s Rights. The first draft will be ready in the next week.</p>	<p>The BoD unanimously agrees to give a mandate to GS to continue this work.</p>
<p>12. Continental reports (WA, SB, and RP)</p>	<p>RP reported that the Arnold Classic would be used as a selection event for the worlds in Vegas 2016. RP asked if the IMMAF logo could be used for promotion of the event on the 27th/29th May 2016 in Santon. RP hopes to have a bigger team in Vegas. He has made contact with Namibia, which was not fruitful. Angola was very positive. An IMMAF referee and judges course scheduled for end of January 2016.</p>	<p>BoD gives approval to RP to use IMMAF logo.</p>

<p>13. Confirmation of the next board meeting</p>	<p>SB reported that the Arnold Classic is scheduled for March 2016 and will be a selection for the Australian team for the worlds. SB requested support with the organizational aspects of the Arnold classic from IMMAF executive team and was keen to get the My Next Match system implemented for the Federation. An IMMAF referee and judges course is planned for January 2016.</p> <p>WA had continued networking in the region and beyond into North Africa countries such as Tunisia and Morocco.</p> <p>No Date was decided but likely to be in January 2016.</p>	<p>It was agreed to allow Alistair Pettitt to support IMMAFA with Arnold Classic.</p>
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