

MINUTES

of the 14th General Assembly of the European Fair Play Movement, held at the HILTON PARK Hotel in Nicosia, Cyprus, on October 4th, 2008.

1. Welcome and approval of the Agenda

- 1.1. Confirmation of the necessary quorum of 40% of the total number of the EFPM members, in order to consider the General Assembly open. Twenty four (24) EFPM members were present, fulfilling thus the requirements of the Statutes. Present were as well two Honorary Members, namely Prof. Dr. Vladimir Rodichenko from Russia and Mr. Andre Catelin from France.
- 1.2. The President of the European Fair Play Movement, Dr. Carlos Gonçalves, welcomed the members and the guests especially invited by the Organizers for the case and introduced the proposed Agenda of the General Assembly.
- 1.3. The EFPM Members approved the proposed Agenda.

2. Greetings from European Sports Organisations and Institutions

Mr. Togay Bayatli, Member of the Executive Committee of the European Olympic Committees and EOC Commissioner for the relationship with EFPM addressed to the General the warm greetings of EOC and its President Patrick Hickey through a CD presentation on screen.

On behalf of ENGSO, Dr. Cardoso addressed to the General Assembly the warm greetings of the Organization he represents.

ICSSPE President Prof. Dr. Gudrun Doll Tepper, addressed to all the members of the EFPM family the heartily greetings of the Organization she presides up to the end of 2008 and announced that from 01.01.2009 and on President of ICSSPE has been elected Prof. Dr. Margaret Talbot fron Gr. Britain, a true believer of Fair Play issues.

3. Approval of the Minutes of the 13th EFPM General Assembly (Frankfurt am Main, October 20th, 2007).

The Minutes were approved unanimously.

5. Presentation of the proceedings of the 13th EFPM Congress in Frankfurt am Main

Vice President Dr. Manfred Laemmer explained the reasons why the Book of the Proceedings of the Frankfurt Congress was not ready on time (need to be edited in two languages, namely English and German) and distributed a CD with the relevant Proceedings in English to all the EC Members, present in the Assembly. He promised that within

November 2008 the Proceedings Book will be ready and will be distributed by mail to all the EC Members.

6. President's report

The President reported to the G.A. about the progress of the work within the EFPM and the member organisations in the years 2007/2008. The report is included as an appendix to the Minutes of the General Assembly.

7. General Secretary's report

Gen. Secretary Mr. I. Psilopoulos presented the relevant Report, which is included as an appendix to the Minutes of the General Assembly.

Report on financial situation as per 31 -12-2007.

The Treasurer Mr. G. Diderich presented the current financial situation of EFPM and introduced the 2009 Budget which sums up to a total of 28.760 Euros. The General Assembly approved the Treasurer's report and the proposed budget.

9. Report of the Board of Auditors

EC Member Mr. Christian Hinterberger explained the procedure for the introduction of the Report and called Dr. Kveta Peckova, member of the Board of Auditors, to present the Report of the Board.

Dr. Kv. Peckova introduced the Report, proposing the approval of the financial transactions of EFPM for 2008: The General Assembly approved it unanimously.

10. European Fair Play Awards

Mr. M. Cerar introduced the Report of the the EFPM Awarding Committee for the year 2008, according to which the Committee having taken into account the various proposals submitted by the Member Organizations and after due discussion and evaluation of the candidatures, decided to proceed with the following awards according to the EFPM Regulations:

1. Plaque of Merit and Diploma

To Mr. Miroslav PODBORSKY from Czech Republic, for the remarkable gesture during the World Championship in Quadrathlon (proposal coming from the Czech Olympic Committee)

2. Diploma

To Mr. Algimantas JUCEVICIUS from Lithuania, for the remarkable gesture during an alpine incident (proposal coming from the Lithuanian Olympic Committee). To Prof. Dr. Yilmaz BUYUKERSEN from Turkey for his contribution to the implementation of the ethical values in Sports and the education of youth in the spirit of Fair Play and Tolerance.

The General Assembly accepted said awards unanimously.

Mrs. Katarina Raczova introduced a Power Point Presentation with all the Fair Play Awarding Ceremonies that took place in 2007 - 2008. Prof. Dr. Rodichenko informed the Gen. Assembly about the relevant Awarding Ceremony that took place in Russia for the awarding of Prof. Dr. Stolyarov with the EFPM 2007 Plaque of Merit and Diploma. Finally Mr. Arvydas Yuozaitis informed the Gen. Assembly of the Fair Play Awards that took place in Lithuania in 2008.

11. EFPM Communication

11.1. PLAY FAIR Magazine. The report was introduced by Vice President Mr. E. Aripinar, who asked once more for the contribution of all EFPM members as regards reports, papers, news, photos etc. for the PLAY FAIR magazine.

Furthermore, Mr. Aripinar explained that the cost of the Magazine covers mostly its distribution (posting etc.) as well some editing expenses, while printing etc. are gratis thanks to the Turkish Olympic Committee.

- 11.2. EFPM website. Mr Aripinar underlined the necessity of the EFPM website and the importance of having it constantly and duly updated.
- 11.3. Vice-President Dr. M. Laemmer underlined the absolute need that those that send papers or information to the PLAY FAIR Magazine have to take very good care of the quality of the information as regards the topic, the contents of the paper and the language.

12. EFPM Declaration

Gen. Secretary I. Psilopoulos distributed the EFPM Declaration Draft to the participants of the Gen. Assembly for reviewing and/or comments. The relevant responses will be sent to the EFPM Secretariat by e-mail or fax and will be duly taken into consideration. The final edition of the Declaration will be then communicated to all EFPM Members and associated Organizations. The proposal was accepted by the members.

13. 15th EFPM Congress and General Assembly 2009

The Azerbaijan Delegation headed by Mr. Khazar Isayev informed the General Assembly about some details of the next event which will take place in Baku, Azerbaijan next October 2009. He also presented a video concerning Azerbaijan and Baku.

President Dr. Carlos Gonçalves informed the EFPM Members about the need to apply as soon as possible for the entry visas – if required – which means one to two months prior to the event.

14. Candidature for the 16th EFPM Congress and General Assembly in 2010

President Dr. Carlos Gonçalves informed the General Assembly that the National Olympic Committee of Czech Republic submitted the official application for this event and gave grounds for this application. He also reminded to the participants that Czech Republic had applied for the 2009 event as well and explained that, according to the Statutes, the deadline for the relevant applications is the end of March 2009 and the final decision of the EC will be taken in May 2009.

15. Miscellaneous

15.1. The Cypriot organizers of the 14th EFPM Congress and General Assembly handed over

the EFPM banner to the Azerbaijan successors. The ceremony ended with a big applause from the participants.

15.2. President Dr. C. Gonçalves presented an Award to the leaving EFPM Treasurer Dr. Georges Diderich, expressing his warm thanks for the work he offered to EFPM since its foundation and from several posts of the EFPM E.C.

16. Elections

President Dr. C. Gonçalves announced the commencement of the election procedures and called the two new candidates, namely Mr. Robert Reiland and Dr. Christian Blareau to inform the Gen. Assembly about their C.V. Both candidates presented themselves and Messrs. Georges Diderich and Andre Catelin spoke about said candidates respectively. After that, President Gonçalves gave the floor to Gen. Secretary I. Psilopoulos to run the Elections procedures.

Gen. Secretary I. Psilopoulos went on with the proposal of the Scrutineers, namely Louis Borg from Malta, Kveta Peckova from Czech Republic and Arvydas Yuozaitis from Lithuania. The Gen. Assembly approved the proposal unanimously.

The Elections took place in full accordance with the EFPM Statutes in two stages, i.e. one election for the post of the EFPM President (one candidature) and one election for the posts of the E.C. Members (nine candidatures). The voting members were 24 delegates of Member Organizations (10 votes each) and 2 honorary members (1 vote each). The final results of the elections are as follows:

For the post of EFPM President : Carlos Goncalves 242 votes (unanimously)

For the posts of EFPM E.C. Members:

~	Ioannis Psilopoulos (GRE)	212 votes (elected)
-	Erdogan Aripinar (TUR)	202 votes (elected)
	Manfred Laemmer (GER)	202 votes (elected)
	Christian Blareau (FRA)	192 votes (elected)
-	Christian Hinterberger	192 votes (elected)
-	Katarina Raczova (SLK)	192 votes (elected)
-	Miroslav Cerar (SLO)	182 votes (elected)
	Charalambos Lottas (CYP)	182 votes (elected)
-	Robert Reiland (LUX)	80 votes (not elected)

The Elections Scrutineers Report together with the votes are included in the present Minutes as an appendix.

Having dealt with all the points of the Agenda, the President declared the General Assembly closed.

For the records loannis Psilopoulos EFPM Gen. Secretary