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Minutes

of the 17th General Assembly of the European Fair Play Movement, held at the Villa Polessini in Porec, Croatia, on October 1st, 2011.

1. Welcome and approval of the Agenda

- 1.1. The quorum was confirmed with Twenty Four (24) EFPM Members present (equal to 60% attendance) and the General Assembly was opened, in accordance with the requirements of the Statutes.
- 1.2. The President of the European Fair Play Movement Carlos Gonçalves, welcomed the members and the special guests invited by the organizers, and presented the proposed Agenda to the General Assembly.
- 1.3. The EFPM Members approved the proposed Agenda.

2. Homage to Christian Blareau

President Gonçalves informed the Gen. Assembly of the passing away of the EFPM Treasurer Christian Blareau, described his excellent work done in the various posts he possessed and especially in EFPM and presented the EFPM Executive Committee proposal to announce Christian Blareau as EFPM Honorary Member "in Memoriam". The General Assembly unanimously approved the proposal.

3. Greetings from European Sport Organizations and Institutions

ENGSO President Mrs Birgitta Kervinen addressed a warm welcome to the EFPM members expressing her pleasure and honour to be present at the Gen. Assembly and described the perspectives of the relationship between ENGSO and EFPM. EPAS representative Mr. Ilham Mamadov expressed the sincere satisfaction of EPAS for the close and fruitful cooperation with EFPM, promising its steady continuation. CIFP President Jenö Kamuti communicated the hearty greetings of the organization he presides to all the members of the EFPM family. Prof. Dr. Franjo Prot, representative of the European Taekwondo Union, extended the greetings from ETU and wished to the Gen. Assembly a fruitful session. The EFPM Gen. Secretary Ioannis Psilopoulos read the messages of the European Union Commissioner for Education, Culture, Multilingualism and Youth Mrs Androula Vassiliou and the ICSSPE President Mrs. Margaret Talbot.

4. Approval of the Minutes of the 16th EFPM General Assembly (Prague 2010)

The Minutes were approved unanimously.

5. Affiliation of a new member

The Gen. Secretary Mr. I. Psilopoulos announced the application from TUL Finland to be member of the EFPM and the relevant positive decision of the Executive Committee. The Gen. Assembly unanimously approved the affiliation of TUL and President Gonçalves welcomed the TUL representative to the EFPM family. Mrs. Anu Rajajarvi thanked the Gen. Assembly and took her seat as full member.

6. President's report

The President reported to the G.A. about how the work within the EFPM and the member organisations had progressed in the years 2010/2011. The report is included as an appendix to the Minutes of the General Assembly.

7. General Secretary's report

The Gen. Secretary Ioannis Psilopoulos, thanked the EFPM Members for their trust and support, as well as the Hellenic Olympic Committee for the continuous support for smoothly fulfilling the Gen. Secretary's duties. After that, he presented the relevant Report, which is included as an appendix to the Minutes of the General Assembly.

8. Financial Report as per 31-12-2009.

The Interim Treasurer Georges Diderich presented the current financial situation of the EFPM and the 2012 Budget. The relevant Report is included as an appendix to the Minutes of the General Assembly.

9. Report of the Board of Auditors

EC Member Mr. Christian Hinterberger explained the procedure for the introduction of the Report and called on Kveta Peckova, Chairwoman of the Board of Auditors, to present the relevant Report. Mrs. Peckova presented the Report, proposing the approval of the financial transactions by the EFPM in 2010.

10. Approval of the EFPM EC administrative and financial transactions

The General Assembly having heard the Reports of the President, the Gen. Secretary and the Treasurer as well as the Report of the Board of the Auditors approved unanimously the EFPM Executive Committee administrative and financial transactions.

11. Revision of Article 3 of the EFPM Statutes

The Gen. Secretary Mr. Psilopoulos justified the proposed modifications of the Article 3 of the Statutes, which deals with the Members of the EFPM. The Gen. Assembly approved unanimously the modifications.

12. Presentation of the Proceedings Books from Baku and Prague

Mrs Salhat Abbasova and Mrs Kveta Peckova from Baku and Prague respectively, presented the Proceedings books of the relevant Congresses of 2009 and 2010. President Gonçalves thanked the two ladies and announced the completion of the respective Congresses procedures.

13. European Fair Play Awards

Mr. Miroslav Cerar, President of the EFP Awards Jury, presented the Report of the Jury for the year 2011. The Awards proposed by the Jury and accepted by the General Assembly are:

13.1. Plaque of Merit and Diploma (Organization)

To the ***SPORTS MUSEUM of Lithuania*** for its remarkable organizational, educative and humanistic initiatives, serving the Fair Play ideals (proposal coming from the Lithuanian Olympic Committee)

13.2. Plaque of Merit and Diploma (Individual)

To ***Mr. Jiri PRUDIL*** from Czech Republic, for his remarkable act of sportsmanship during the MTB cycling races in Boritov (proposal coming from the Czech Olympic Committee).

13.3. Diplomas (Individuals)

To ***Mr. Dominik HRBATY***, from Slovak Republic, for his life-long exemplary acting in the field of sport (tennis) and his continuing work with children, inspiring them with the Olympic and Fair Play Ideals (proposal coming from the Slovak Olympic Committee).

To ***Mr. Edward Bugala*** from Poland, for his remarkable sport career as track and field athlete and trainer of top level Polish athletes, offering them a deep and concrete spirit of Fair Play, something that is his life-time way of acting (proposal coming from the {Polish Olympic Committee}).

14. EFPM Communication

14.1. The Magazine: PLAY FAIR!

The report was presented by the Vice President Erdogan Aripinar, who asked once more for the contribution by all EFPM members in respect of reports, papers, news, photos etc. for the magazine PLAY FAIR!

Furthermore, Mr. Aripinar explained that the cost of the Magazine covers mostly its distribution (posting etc.) as well some editing expenses.

The Vice-President Manfred Laemmer underlined the non-ending problem of the texts that are submitted as regards their linguistic correctness. He asked once more the members to take care of this issue and send texts in correct English.

14.2. EFPM website.

Erdogan Aripinar underlined the necessity of the EFPM website and the importance of having it constantly and duly updated.

14.3 EFPM Flash News.

Katarina Raczova informed the Gen. Assembly about this initiative and the importance of having the Flash News always up-to-date with news on all the Fair Play activities and regularly distributed in Europe.

15. EFPM promotional material**15.1. EFPM Agenda**

Katarina Raczova presented this new edition of the EFPM for 2012 and further on. The General Assembly welcomed with applause the work done by Mrs Raczova and her associates and the Agenda was distributed to the members.

15.2 EFPM Fan Tubes

Katarina Raczova presented as well this new promotional tool which will be distributed to the spectators of the sport events where EFPM is invited to be present. The idea was heartily welcomed by the Gen. Assembly.

16. 18th EFPM Congress and General Assembly of 2012

President Gonçalves informed the Gen. Assembly what was the reason to transfer the seat of the 2012 Congress from Rome to Verona and why the EFPM Executive Committee accepted this transfer. The President of CNIFP Ruggero Alcanterini and the members of the Verona Organizing Group Mrs. Patrizia Bravo and Mrs. Alessandra Ioppi presented the Verona infrastructure and a relevant video, which were welcomed by the Gen. Assembly. At the end of the presentation, President Gonçalves and Mr. Ruggero Alcanterini signed the associated Contract for the organization of the event. The Gen. Secretary I. Psilopoulos reminded to the General Assembly members that the Verona Gen. Assembly is an elective one and that the relevant candidatures must be submitted to the Gen. Secretariat in respect to the deadline provided in the Statutes. The President Carlos Gonçalves announced his decision not to continue his term of service as member and President of the EFPM after the Verona Gen. Assembly.

17. 19th EFP Congress and EFPM General Assembly of 2013

The Gen. Secretary I. Psilopoulos informed the General Assembly that the EFPM Executive Committee, having no concrete confirmation from the Israeli Olympic Committee and the Israeli Ministry of Education and Sport for their commitment to organize the said event, decided to open the door for further candidatures (including of course the Israeli Olympic Committee) up to the end of 2011.

18. EFPM Declaration

Gen. Secretary I. Psilopoulos thanked Prof. Dr. Romana Caput-Jogunica and Prof. Dr. Franio Prot for their decisive assistance in formulating the 2011 EFPM Declaration. He informed the Gen. Assembly that the distributed Declaration is a Draft Document to be reviewed and/or commented on by the Members by the end of November.

19. Handing over of the EFPM flag to the delegation of the Croatian Olympic Committee

Mrs. Biserka Perman, President of the Croatian Fair Play Committee, accompanied by the EFPM President Carlos Gonçalves, handed over the EFPM flag to Mr. Ruggero Alcanterini, head of the Italian Fair Play Commission (CNIFP) and the Verona delegates, responsible for the organization of the 2012 EFP Congress and EFPM Gen. Assembly.

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

For the records

Ioannis Psilopoulos,
EFPM General Secretary