

Minutes

of the 25th General Assembly of the European Fair Play Movement, held at the IBIS Hotel, Budapest, on September 13th, 2019.

1. Welcome and approval of the Agenda

- 1.1. The quorum required acc. to the EFPM Statutes was confirmed with twenty one (21) EFPM Corporate Members present out of twenty eight (28) ones that have paid their annual fees (71%), four (4) Associated Members, two (2) Honorary Members and two (2) Supporting Members and the General Assembly was opened.
- 1.2. The President of the European Fair Play Movement Christian Hinterberger, 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. Greetings

The CIFP President Dr. Yenö Kamuti, the PANATHLON International Gen. Secretary Ms. Simona Callo, the EUSA representative Mr. Milan Zvan and the European Paralympic Committee representative Mr. Ratko Kovacic addressed to the EFPM General Assembly their warm greetings, confirming their intention to continue the fruitful cooperation with the EFPM. Also, the representative of Poland read the letter of the Polish Olympic Committee with warm congratulations for the 25th Anniversary of the EFPM. Finally, Mr. Abderrahmen Bahri, representative of the Tunisian Fair Play Committee - invited observer at the EFPM Gen. Assembly - addressed his greetings to the EFPM Gen. Assembly thanking them for their kind acceptance of his presence in the Event.

3. Approval of the Minutes of the 24th EFPM General Assembly (Brussels 2018)

The Minutes were approved unanimously.

4. President's report

The President reported to the G.A. about how the work within the EFPM and the member organizations had progressed in the years 2018/2019. The report is included as an appendix to the Minutes of the General Assembly.

5. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer Katarina Raczova presented the current financial situation of the EFPM. The relevant Report is included as an appendix to the Minutes of the General Assembly.

6. Report of the Board of Auditors

Mr. Eytan Barak, Head Person of the Board of Auditors (Eytan Barak, Zdravka Yordanova, Bilge Donuk), presented the Report, proposing the approval of the financial transactions by the EFPM in 2019.

7. Approval of the EFPM EC administrative and financial transactions

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

8. Statutes Modification

The Gen. Secretary I. Psilopoulos introduced the proposal of the EFPM ExCom for the modification of the EFPM Statutes. The basic reason for this modification was the modernization of the various requirements in accordance with the general development of the organisation of Sport in Europe as well as the reforming of the items that had caused problems and misunderstandings in the past.

Mr. I. Psilopoulos presented on the screen the said modifications and opened the discussion with the members of the General Assembly.

The most crucial item that was discussed was the new approach for the "sleeping members", i.e. the result of not paying the annual fees is only the deprivation of the right to vote and not the termination of their membership as it was before.

Mr. R. Alcanterini commented that the EFPM must have rules and the main problem is its global strategy. We have to widen our field of actions not only in sports but also in the society. The annual fees are not the only solution for the financial wellbeing of the EFPM, but we have to investigate other solutions as well, i.e. EU projects etc.

Ms. B. Vrbek stated that the power of the EFPM is its members. We have to be able to inspire the whole European Sports Family and include them in the EFPM activities.

Ms. Vita Balsyte said that acc. to our Statutes the annual fees are the main income of the EFPM and not paying them is an act of non Fair Play.

Mr. N. Gazi noticed that the task of the EFPM has to be the attraction of our members in adopting measures to market the affiliation to the EFPM.

The discussion was completed with further useful comments and finally the Gen. Assembly unanimously approved the proposed by the EFPM ExCom modification of the EFPM Statutes.

9. Fair Play Network

The President Ch. Hinterberger informed the Gen. Assembly about the signing of cooperation MoU's with the Ju Jitsu European Union and the European Softball Federation. He also informed the Gen. Assembly about the continuation of the cooperation with EOC, the European Olympic Academies, UEFA, EUSA, CSIT, EPAS, ENGSO and CIFP.

10. Public Performance

The Ex. Com. Member Mrs Baiba Veisa and the Treasurer Ms. Katarina Raczova presented the activities regarding the EFPM web-site and the EFPM Newsletter.

President Hinterberger expressed his satisfaction for the work done and he fully supported the request of Mrs. Veisa for setting as a must the use of the WORD format by all the writers who send articles to the web-site.

11. EFP Congress and EFPM Gen. Assembly 2018

The Gen. Secretary Mr. Ioannis Psilopoulos asked the Belgium representative to proceed with the distribution of the Brussels Congress Books of Proceedings and announced the completion of the relevant obligations of the Congress organizers.

12. EFP Congress and EFPM Gen. Assembly 2020

The President Mr. Hinterberger announced the application of ASKOE Austria concerning the 2020 Congress and Gen. Assembly and the decision of the EFPM ExCom to accept it.

President Hinterberger underlined the importance of the said Congress as it coincides with the EFPM Elections, which must be organized with the proper care. He invited all the EFPM members to propose candidates for the various posts of the Executive Committee, showing in this way their interest in the good governance of the EFPM and their wish to contribute in the fruitful operation of the Organisation.

13. 25th EFPM Anniversary

The President Mr. Hinterberger made a short reference to the 25 years of the EFPM existence, making tribute to the founding members and the goals that have been set forth and finally achieved during these 25 years. He also referred to the visions of the EFPM for 2020 and after, expressing his trust that all the members together will support the organization and work for its success.

Having dealt with all the points of the Agenda, the President thanked the EFPM members for their support and declared the General Assembly closed.

For the Records

Ioannis Psilopoulos
EFPM Gen. Secretary