



WORLD ASSOCIATION OF KICKBOXING ORGANIZATIONS

WAKO Ordinary General Assembly 2018
Palazzo del Turismo, Piazza Brescia, 11, 30016 Lido di Jesolo (VE)
Monday 17th September 2018
Time: 16:00 pm – 18:00 pm

On 17th September 2018, at 16:00pm, at Palazzo del Turismo, Piazza Brescia, in Jesolo (Italy), the Ordinary General Assembly of WAKO (World Association of Kickboxing Organizations) was held in the first call, in order to discuss and resolve on the following

Agenda

- a. Approval of the agenda;
- b. Address by the President;
- c. Appointment of scrutineers;
- d. Approval of the minutes of the preceding Ordinary General Assembly;
- e. President's activity report;
- f. Presentation of the financial statements 2017 and relevant audit report 2017;
- g. Approval of the financial statements 2017 and relevant audit report 2017;
- h. Appointment of the independent auditor for the auditing of the financial statements 2018;
- i. Approval of the budget 2018;
- l. Admission for membership;
- m. Information on the future activities of WAKO
- n. Proposal about Solidarity Fund for social projects
- o. Discussion of proposals submitted by the Members

At registration each Member of the Assembly signed a form confirming his/her attendance before entering in the meeting room, whether in his/her name or by proxy.

The President Mr. Borislav Pelevic, after having ascertained that the Meeting:

- has been duly called pursuant to Article 24, paragraph 2, of the Statutes, through a notice of call sent to the Members by WAKO Administration by means of email on the 12th of July 2018;
- has been validly established pursuant to Article 20, paragraph 1, of the Statutes;
- has therefore the power to resolve upon the items on the Agenda;

declares the Meeting open and able to resolve on the items of the Agenda.

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The President Mr. Borislav Pelevic proposes to act as Chairman of the Meeting and that Mrs. Francesca Falsoni acts as Secretary of the Meeting.

There were no objections to the above-mentioned proposals.

1. Approval of the agenda

The Chairman proposes to approve the Agenda of the Meeting. No Members raises any issue regarding the Agenda.

Motion: to approve the Agenda of the Meeting.

IN FAVOUR	ALL	
AGAINST	NONE	
ABSTAINED	NONE	

The motion is approved by unanimous decision.

2. Address by the President

No motion on this item.

3. Appointment of scrutineers

The Chairman proposes to appoint Mrs. Kate Kociszewska and Mr. Romeo Desa to verify and count the votations of the Members (through red and yellow cards).

Motion: to appoint Mrs. Kate Kociszewska and Mr. Romeo Desa as scrutineers of this Meeting.

IN FAVOUR	ALL	
AGAINST	NONE	
ABSTAINED	NONE	

The motion is approved by unanimous decision.

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The scrutineers so appointed verify the attendance of the Members through the voting rights that have been verified pursuant to Article 22, paragraph 3, of the Statutes according to which: “3. *The right to vote of the Full Member in the General Assembly is however subject to the Full Member meeting the following requirements:*

- participation to the WAKO World Championships held in the year of the General Assembly;*
- payment of the affiliation fees of the last 2 (two) years”.*

After final check by the scrutineers Mrs. Francesca Falsoni as Secretary of the Meeting reports that there are in the overall No. 65 Members participating to the Junior & Cadet World Championships whilst the Members having voting rights on the basis of the requirements under Article 22, paragraph 3, of the Statutes are No. 61 among whom **No. 48 Members** are effectively in attendance at the meeting. There is therefore the quorum to take the necessary resolutions by the GA.

4. Approval of the minutes of the preceding Ordinary General Assembly

The Chairman makes reference to the minutes of the last General Assembly held in Budapest (Hungary) on November 10th, 2017, that have been made available to the Members in advance of the Meeting by means of e-mail sent by WAKO Administration.

The Chairman refers that the Board recommends the Members to approve such minutes.

Motion: to approve the minutes of the last WAKO General Assembly held in Budapest (Hungary) on November 10th, 2017.

IN FAVOUR	46 votes	
AGAINST	2 votes	
ABSTAINED	NONE	

The motion is approved by majority decision.

5. President’s activity report

The President Borislav Pelevic starts by making a general presentation through the power point attached (**Exhibit N.1**) informing the Members about the most important events and meetings held during the year 2018.

No motion on this item.



6. Presentation and approval of the financial statements 2017 and relevant audit report 2017

The Chairman makes reference to the documents made available to the Members before the Meeting concerning the financial statements in relation to the year 2017 and the audit report 2017 (**Exhibit N.2**).

The financial statements 2017 have been audited and revised by the auditors of the company AudEx AG/SA.

The Treasurer Mr. Nikolaus Gstaettner illustrates to the Members the content of the financial statements 2017 and the outcome of the audit report 2017 by reporting the relevant main figures and information; WAKO has registered a good profit of 25'241.00 Euro in 2017.

Motion: to approve the financial statements of 2017 and the audit report 2017 on such financial statements.

IN FAVOUR	47 votes	
AGAINST	1 vote	
ABSTAINED	NONE	

The motion is approved by majority decision.

7. Appointment of the independent auditor for the auditing of the financial statements 2018

The Chairman refers to the need to appoint the auditors for the audit of the financial statements 2018. In this respect, the current auditors of the company AudEx AG/SA from Switzerland may be re-appointed.

The recommendation of the Board is to appoint them as auditors for the year 2018 as they fulfill the requirements set forth by WAKO Statutes and Swiss law.

Motion: to appoint Mr. Andrè Bolla and Mr. Christophe Cattaneo of the company AudEx AG/SA as auditors of WAKO for the audit of the financial statements 2018.

IN FAVOUR	ALL	
AGAINST	NONE	
ABSTAINED	NONE	

The motion is approved by unanimous decision.

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8. Approval of the budget 2018

The Chairman invites the Treasurer Mr. Nikolaus Gstaettner to illustrate to the Members the budget of 2018 (**Exhibit N.3**).

The budget 2018 had already been approved by majority of the Board during the Board Meeting held in Budapest (Hungary) on May 15th, 2018.

The recommendation of the Board is to approve the budget 2018 which is in any event a provisional budget, always subject to the financial situation of WAKO.

Motion: to approve the WAKO 2018 budget.

IN FAVOUR	46 votes	
AGAINST	NONE	
ABSTAINED	2 votes	

The motion is approved by majority decision.

9. Admission for membership

The Chairman reminds that all applications coming from new countries for WAKO membership have to be approved first by the WAKO Board and then ratified by the General Assembly as required by WAKO Statutes.

At the moment WAKO has received only one new application for membership from Namibian Kickboxing Federation (NKF), whose president is Mrs. Anita de Klerk. The membership request from Namibia came together with official recognition letter and all other official documentation in line with Article 9. (Application Procedures) of the WAKO Statutes. For this reason during the last meeting the WAKO Board approved the request of membership received from Namibia and recommends the Members to approve it as well.

Motion: to approve the new WAKO membership of Namibian Kickboxing Federation (NKF).

IN FAVOUR	ALL	
AGAINST	NONE	
ABSTAINED	NONE	

The motion is approved by unanimous decision.



10. Information on the future activities of WAKO

The Chairman refers to some very important future events for WAKO:

- **THE WORLD GAMES 2021, Alabama, Birmingham, USA.**

Kickboxing will be Full sport on next edition of The World Games, not a demonstration sport anymore. But unfortunately due to the escape of a Moroccan fighter and a positive doping case of a Brazilian fighter occurred in Wroclaw during the TWG 2017 the number of athletes has been reduced for next edition:

- 48 participating athletes (50% men and 50% women) and 12 Officials;
- only K-1 discipline has been accepted (despite various attempts to propose two disciplines unfortunately no Point Fighting).

In November the qualification criteria and the selected weight categories will be decided by the Board.

- **EUSA COMBAT CHAMPIONSHIPS 2019, Zagreb, Croatia**

Kickboxing will be for the first time included in the *European University Sports Association* (EUSA) competition together with JUDO, KARATE and TAEKWONDO. The event will be held from July 30th to August 4th, 2019, in Zagreb, Croatia.

WAKO is recognized member of FISU (*International University Sports Federation*), each National Kickboxing Federation is invited to contact and co-operate with the National University Sports Association (NUSA) in the shortest time and agree on further cooperation and communication regarding the participation of kickboxers at the EUSA Combat Championships - Zagreb, Croatia 2019.

- **EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES GAMES BELGRADE 2020, Belgrade, Serbia**

It will be Europe's largest university sport event of the year. 6,000 participants are expected from Europe's leading sport universities to compete in more than 20 sports.

The Chairman underlines that the possible IOC recognition could certainly bring new opportunities to WAKO in the future such as participation to the Continental Games.

11. Proposal about Solidarity Fund for social projects

WAKO Vice President Espen Lund talks about the kickboxing project we had in April 2018 at the Zaatary refugee camp in Jordan thanks to the cooperation with Peace and Sport, of which WAKO is recognized member.

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WAKO was asked from P&S to create a program, some activities for the kids and the refugees of the Zaatary camp, for this reason some coaches were sent there for self-defense and kickboxing training to the Syrian refugees (women and kids too).

In order to finance social projects of this kind the proposal that was discussed during the last Board meeting is to increase each entry fee of 3,00 Euro at World/Continental Championships starting from next European Championships 2018.

The main objective is to create a kind of strategy in line with the Olympic solidarity movement and to show what WAKO kickboxing can do that is good for the society. The main goal is to raise awareness and funds for various solidarity and donation projects, for example as the one held at the Zaatary camp, in Jordan.

See **Exhibit N.4** herewith attached that visualize strategy and priorities. Promoters can also use our logo “Because We Care” in various formats and for events when they wish to show their engagement in our projects or by promoting that they are focusing in social implementation of our sport.

Motion: to approve the increase of 3,00 Euro for each individual entry at World/Continental Championships starting from next European Championships 2018.

IN FAVOUR	45 votes	
AGAINST	2 votes	
ABSTAINED	1 vote	

The motion is approved by majority decision.

Dr. Basel Al-Shaer, from Jordan, steps on the stage to report about the importance of the project at the Zaatary camp, in Jordan, and also criticizes anyone who tries to make this a political issue. Tomaz Barada follows up witnessing the experience he personally lived when coaching and visiting the refugee camp and refers his impression of a very positive and important project.

12. Discussion of proposals submitted by the Members

No motion on this item.

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The General Assembly closed at 18:00pm.

Secretary of the General Assembly



Mrs. Francesca Falsoni

- **Exhibits:**

- **Exhibit 1:** President's activity report
- **Exhibit 2:** Financial statements 2017 and relevant audit report 2017
- **Exhibit 3:** Budget of 2018
- **Exhibit 4:** Solidarity and Donation Program

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