



Minutes of the
2015 TAFISA General Assembly
October 16th, 2015, 17:00 h – 20:00 h
Vigadó Concert Hall, Budapest, Hungary

Note: Please refer to Introductory Notes and Recommendations for the 2015 TAFISA General Assembly issued to the General Assembly attendees for more details of items addressed.

Attendees: TAFISA Members

2013 – 2017 TAFISA Board of Directors

- Ju-Ho Chang, Korea (President)
- Peter Barendse, Netherlands (Vice President)
- Jianzhong Feng, China (Vice President)
- Catherine Forde, Trinidad & Tobago (Vice President)
- Herzel Hagay, Israel (Treasurer)
- Wolfgang Baumann, Germany (Secretary General)
- Mitra Rouhi, Iran (Member)
- Dionysios Karakasis, Greece (Member)
- Erdal Zorba, Turkey (Member)
- Yasuo Yamaguchi, Japan (Member)

Apologies: 2013 – 2017 TAFISA Board of Directors

- Leonard Thadeo, Tanzania (Vice President)

Chairperson: Catherine Forde

Start Time: 17:00

End Time: 20:00

1. Welcome

Words of welcome were delivered by the Chairperson Catherine Forde on behalf of the 2013 – 2017 TAFISA Board of Directors, along with apologies from those Board members not able to be present.

Decision

No decision was required.

2. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was issued to all TAFISA Members within the period prescribed by the TAFISA statutes, and was posted on the TAFISA website, along with any revisions and documents relevant to the agenda.

No comments or suggested changes to the agenda or motions by the members were received by the TAFISA office. According to the statutes these were to have been sent in written form to the Secretary General three months before the General Assembly.

Decision

The General Assembly approved of the agenda as presented.

3. Minute of Silence

The TAFISA Board of Directors requested a minute of silence to honour those close to TAFISA who passed during the previous two years, namely Nicola Hadjiev, Bulgaria (TAFISA Board Member 1991 – 2005), Professor Margaret Talbot, UK (ICSSPE President and longstanding TAFISA supporter) and Carlos Osorio Ribeiro (husband of SESC SP's Maria Luiza Souza Dias).

Decision

No decision was required.

4. Confirmation of Number of Votes

As per the TAFISA statutes, only those National Members who paid both their 2014 and 2015 TAFISA Membership Fees (or just 2015 Membership Fees for new members) prior to the commencement of the General Assembly had the right to vote in 2015. One vote was allowed per nation.

The number of votes, in line with the requirements of the TAFISA statutes and according to the registration list signed upon entry to the General Assembly, was initially confirmed to be 30, and after item g (Approval of New Members) to be 32 following the approval of new TAFISA members. According to the statutes the General Assembly had a quorum.

Decision

No decision was required.

5. Acceptance of 2013 General Assembly Minutes

The minutes of the last General Assembly in Enschede, Netherlands, 25th October 2013, were sent to the TAFISA members in the prescribed time by the Secretary General and also published on the TAFISA website. No comments requiring amendments were received by TAFISA.

Decision

The minutes of the last General Assembly were accepted by the General Assembly.

6. 2013-2017 Board of Directors' Report

The Secretary General gave an oral presentation of the 2013 – 2017 BOD Report as issued to all TAFISA Members and posted on the TAFISA website.

Decision

The 2013 to 2017 Board of Directors' Report was accepted by the General Assembly.

7. TAFISA Cooperations Report

The Secretary General gave an oral presentation of the current status of TAFISA's cooperation with other international organizations.

Details can be found in the Introduction Notes and Recommendations issued to all TAFISA Members and posted on the TAFISA website.

Decision

No decision was required.

8. TAFISA Programs & Events Report

TAFISA Vice President for Europe gave an oral presentation and status report of TAFISA Programs and Events.

Details can be found in the Introduction Notes and Recommendations issued to all TAFISA Members and posted on the TAFISA website.

Decision

No decision was required.

9. Approval of New Members

Since the last General Assembly in October 2013, the following organizations have applied to become a member of TAFISA, and have been preliminarily approved by the current TAFISA Board of Directors.

The General Assembly was asked to decide on each member category individually by a vote unless there were special requests. Newly approved active national members received the right to vote immediately during this General Assembly provided that they paid their membership fee for 2015.

National Members

Country	Organization
Finland	Valo
Italy	ACSE - Associazione Cultura e Sport per l'Europa
Madagascar	Sport for All Federation MADA Speed (Madagascar)
Indonesia	Ministry of Youth and Sports of the Republic of Indonesia
Indonesia	National Sports Committee of Indonesia (KONI)
Portugal	Confederaçao Portuguesa das Colectividades de Cultura, Recreio e Desporto
Algeria	Fédération Nationale du Sport pour tous
Italy	Confsport Italia A.S.D. - European Forum of Sports, Cultural and Leisure Associations
Slovenia	Olympic Committee of Slovenia - Association of Sports Federations
Russia	Autonomous Non-comm. Org. "The Forum" "Country of Sports"

International Members

Country	Organization
Korea	International e-Sport Federation
Germany	International Dance Organization (IDO)
Austria	World Dance Council
India	World Armsport Federation
S. Korea	World Hanguk Association
Lithuania	International federation of wrestling on belts (Alysh)
Japan	Fédération internationale de saut à la corde - International Rope Skipping Federation (FISAC-IRSF)
India	International Amateur Games
Russia	International Draughts Federation
Japan	International Sports Chanbara Association
Switzerland	International Qwan Kido Federation
Switzerland	United World Wrestling
Switzerland	World Muay Federation - W.M.F.
USA	World Kickboxing League, inc.
Germany	World Martial Arts Games Committee
Netherlands	World Mixed Jitsu Union
Austria	WMAC
Benin	West African Federation of Roller Sports
Iran	IFMAF

Supporter Members

Country	Organization
India	DR. B. R. Ambedkar Sports Foundation (India)
Pakistan	Pakistan School's Games Association
Germany	German Shuffleboard Association e.V.
Germany	Federation Togolaise de Sport de Glisse et de Ski
Belgium	Vlaamse Traditionele Sporten vzw
Latvia	Latvian Veteran/Senior Sports Association
Chinese Taipei	Chinese Taipei Paintball Game Association
Sweden	Svenska Ju-jutsuförbundet (Swedish Ju-jitsu Federation)
Korea	Korea Walking Federation
Germany	Deutsche Jiu-Jitsu Union e.V.

Italy	Movimento Sportivo Popolare Italia - MSP Italia
Netherlands	Koninklijke Wandel Bond Nederland
Pakistan	Pakistan Triathlon Federation
Unit. Arab. Em.	Halo International Sports Services L.L.C
Brazil	Confederacao Braileira de Cultura Artes Marciais
Portugal	Federacao National Ju Jitsu Portugal
UK	The Ikkaido Federation
USA	One World Play Project
India	Indian Soccer Futsal Federation (ISFF)
Kazakhstan	National Dance Sport Development Union

Decision

No objections were raised. The General Assembly accepted all new members provided they paid the 2015 TAFISA Membership Fee. This brought the number of votes during the General Assembly to 32.

10. Approval of Financial Reports 2013 and 2014

TAFISA Treasurer gave an oral presentation of the Financial Reports 2013 and 2014.

For more details, please refer to the 2013 and 2014 Financial Statements (published on the website) as drawn up by the German tax accountant, Jennewein, and the respective certification letters.

It should be noted that the Financial Statements do not include the excellent in-kind services provided by each of the TAFISA Board members, Commissioners and Special Advisors, which includes expenses for travelling to board meetings, using their respective home or business offices for TAFISA purposes, etc. Without this contribution, TAFISA would not be able to fulfil its tasks and obligations.

TAFISA gives thanks to the support of our partners and sponsors. In particular, TAFISA would like to note the following contributions to the TAFISA office:

- Office space donated by Commerzbank AG,
- Public funds provided by the German Government, the State Government of Hesse and the German Olympic Sport Confederation (DOSB),
- Funding provided by IOC
- Licence fees provided by TAFISA event organizers, namely Games hosting cities of Jakarta (2016) as well as Congress hosting organizations Hungarian Leisure Sports Association (2015) and Jeju Province Government (2017) .
- Licence fee provided by Ball Packaging Europe.
- Donations provided by Nike/Designed To Move, The Coca-Cola Foundation and K-Will.

Decision

The General Assembly approved the Financial Reports 2013 and 2014 as presented.

11. Finances

11.1 Budget Plan 2015

TAFISA Treasurer gave an oral presentation of the Budget plan 2015.

As the TAFISA financial year is the calendar year, a complete financial statement for 2015 cannot be provided until early 2016. However, please refer to the 2015 Budget Plan for information as published on the website, and note the following:

- To date, expenditures are below our income,
- All 2014 funders have renewed for 2015,
- New funders have been sourced, namely The Coca-Cola Foundation and K-Will

- New sponsors are predicted to become available in 2016

Decision

The General Assembly approved the plan as presented.

11.2 Budget Forecast Notes

TAFISA Treasurer gave an oral presentation of the Budget Forecast.

In 2015 the TAFISA endeavours budget situation has further developed through new opportunities that have come up. However, all endeavours are necessary to maintain this solid position into the future, and the following must be considered:

- Whilst TAFISA's position is getting stronger, it is a balancing act between promising too much within the resources available
- Resources are not guaranteed, despite contracts being in place
- Recognition and partnership from leading international sponsors supports TAFISA's leading position, however these donations and grants are not without considerable effort to be undertaken by staff and support from members and Board
- Shifts in TAFISA's business strategy in recent years:
 - expenditure to directly benefit members – development, programs, lobbying activities
 - from partners who exist on paper only to those who can bring direct benefit to TAFISA members through program development and other resources
- Current staff numbers must be maintained or expanded to keep up with current deliverables and service offerings
- Existing strong political influence and recognition must be confirmed and even improved.

Considering this, TAFISA will focus on:

- emphasizing long term contractual partnerships
- strengthening the licence business instead of sponsorships
- identifying foundations working in the same field as TAFISA for cooperation and donations
- increasing membership fee payment
- establishing a new marketing strategy to add value to TAFISA products and services for commercial partners, etc
- aligning all TAFISA business with its non-profit status to avoid any risk of losing tax privileges

Decision

The General Assembly approved the forecast as presented.

12. Revision of Statutes

TAFISA Secretary General explained to the General Assembly that TAFISA is legally registered at the German law court in Frankfurt as a non-profit organization. For that reason, the TAFISA statutes have to be in line with the German tax law to secure the non-profit status. Due to a change in German tax law, there was a need to revise the TAFISA statutes as stated below:

CHAPTER IV

PUBLIC-BENEFIT STATUS

Article 2:

TAFISA's public-benefit status, is fulfilled by means of the following:

TAFISA's bodies and committees work voluntarily unless the present statutes make explicit statements to the contrary. Travel expenses and official expenditures may be reimbursed. The General Assembly may agree to grant an allowance for special expenditures for any particularly time-consuming discharge of duties and may arrange the details.

Suggestion:

TAFISA's bodies and committees work voluntarily unless the present statutes make explicit statements to the contrary. **The members do not receive any grants from TAFISA.** Travel expenses and official expenditures may be reimbursed. The General Assembly may agree to grant an allowance for special expenditures for any particularly time-consuming discharge of duties and may arrange the details.

Decision

The General Assembly approved the revision of statutes as suggested above.

13. Approval of TAFISA Board of Directors Allowance

According to the TAFISA statutes the Board Members work voluntarily and do not receive any grants from TAFISA. However, "The General Assembly may agree to grant an allowance for special expenditures for any particularly time-consuming discharge of duties and may arrange the details."

On this background the TAFISA Board of Directors requested the payment of an annual allowance of 520 € for expenses induced by board membership, namely private office expenses, national travel, communication expenses, etc. This allowance will only be paid if the TAFISA budget allows for that year.

The amount of 520 € per year has been approved by the TAFISA tax advisor and is in line with German tax law.

Decision

The General Assembly approved the payment of an annual allowance of € 520 to board members – if the TAFISA budget allows.

14. Approval of Auditors

It is the task of the General Assembly to decide on two auditors plus one substitute auditor for the next two years (2015/16). The auditors typically examine and approve the annual TAFISA tax statements as drawn by the accounting office before presenting them to the General Assembly.

Candidates for election were presented to the General Assembly by the TAFISA Treasurer.

Decision

The General Assembly elected Schneeloch, Germany and Kang, Korea as the two auditors for the years 2015 and 2016. Carvalho, Portugal was elected substitute.

15. Election of Honorary Member

In line with the TAFISA statutes, the current Board of Directors recommended the following to be elected as TAFISA Honorary Member in recognition of his substantial contribution to the development of TAFISA as a professional and successful organization.

Nominee	Position	Contribution
Hon. Brian Dixon	Honorary Member	Founding member and longstanding board member and treasurer 1991 - 2013

Decision

The General Assembly elected Hon. Brian Dixon as TAFISA Honorary Member.

16. Approval of TAFISA Good Governance Strategy

TAFISA Board Member Denis Karakaris presented orally the TAFISA Code of Ethics as issued to all TAFISA Members and posted on the TAFISA website.

Decision

The General Assembly approved the TAFISA Code of Ethics as presented.

17. Approval of TAFISA Active City Development Strategy

TAFISA Special Advisor for Active Cities John Marsden presented orally the TAFISA Active City Development Strategy as issued to all TAFISA Members and posted on the TAFISA website.

Decision

The General Assembly approved the TAFISA Active City Development Strategy as presented.

18. Adoption of a TAFISA Traditional Sports and Games (TSG) Resolution

TAFISA Board Member Peter Barendse presented orally the TAFISA Traditional Sports and Games Resolution as issued to all TAFISA Members and posted on the TAFISA website.

Decision

The General Assembly approved the TAFISA Traditional Sports and Games (TSG) Resolution as presented.

19. Election of 7th TAFISA World Sport for All Games Host Country, 2020

Applications from TAFISA members:

- the Portuguese Institute of Sport and Youth (IPDJ) with the City of Lisbon
- Sport for All Ukraine with the City of Kiev

were received by the TAFISA office within the period prescribed by the TAFISA Statutes to host the 7th TAFISA World Sport for All Games in 2020. However, due to bureaucratic obstacles, Sport for All Ukraine finally had to withdraw. A provisional contract including the licence fee, etc. was signed with IPDJ prior to the General Assembly which was only to become valid after approval by the General Assembly.

Jorge Carvalho, representative from IPDJ, presented the bid.

Decision

The General Assembly elected Lisbon, Portugal as the host country of the 7th TAFISA World Sport for All Games 2020 and therefore the contract officially became valid.

20. Election of 26th TAFISA World Congress Host Country, 2019

Applications from TAFISA members:

- TAFISA Japan with the City of Tokyo, and
- the Portuguese Institute of Sport and Youth (IPDJ) with the City of Guimaraes

were received by the TAFISA office within the period prescribed by the TAFISA Statutes to host the 26th TAFISA World Congress in 2019. Provisional contracts including the licence fee, etc. were signed prior to the General Assembly only to become valid after approval by the General Assembly.

During a bidding ceremony representatives from TAFISA Japan, IPDJ and the City of Guimaraes made a presentation of their applications.

Decision

The General Assembly elected Tokyo as the host of the 26th TAFISA World Congress 2019. The contract signed with TAFISA Japan therefore became valid, while the provisional contract signed with IPDJ became invalid.

21. Report on “Designed to Move” as TAFISA’s Primary Physical Activity Platform

TAFISA board member Yamaguchi reported orally on Designed to Move as TAFISA’s primary physical activity platform. Details can be found in the Introduction Notes and Recommendations issued to all TAFISA Members.

Decision

No decision was required.

22. Report on 1st TAFISA Martial Arts Games 2014, Richmond, Canada

TAFISA Secretary General reported on the 1st TAFISA Martial Arts Games 2014 and future TAFISA martial arts strategy.

Details can be found in the Introduction Notes and Recommendations issued to all TAFISA Members and posted on the TAFISA website.

Decision

No decision was required.

23. Report on 6th TAFISA World Sport for All Games 2016, Jakarta, Indonesia

In 2011, the General Assembly approved the 6th TAFISA World Sport for All Games to be held in Jakarta, Indonesia, October 7 – 14, 2016.

The Chair of the 6th TAFISA World Sport for All Games 2016 Organising Committee Hayono Isman invited all TAFISA Members to come in Jakarta, Indonesia, and gave a status report.

Decision

No decision was required.

24. Report on 25th TAFISA World Congress 2017, Korea

In 2013, the General Assembly approved the Korean TAFISA member organization, the Sports for All Korea Association (SAKA) to host the 25th TAFISA World Congress in 2017 in Korea.

The organising committee of the 25th TAFISA World Congress 2017 invited all TAFISA Members to Jeju Island and made a status report.

Decision

No decision was required.

25. Report on the 1st TAFISA Europe Sport for All Games, Leeuwarden, Netherlands, 2018

The City of Leeuwarden, Netherlands, will organize the 1st TAFISA Europe Sport for All Games in 2018. Under the title the "Green Games" a unique event concept has been developed.

The Chair of the 1st TAFISA Europe Sport for All Games 2018 Anne Jochum de Vries invited all TAFISA Members to Leeuwarden and made a status report.

Decision

No decision was required.

26. Election of TAFISA Nomination Committee for 2017 TAFISA Board of Directors Election

According to the TAFISA statutes, the TAFISA Nomination Committee has the task "to propose to the General Assembly persons for election" (Chapter XI, § 5) for the 2017 TAFISA Board of Directors election.

Jorma Savola, Brian Dixon and Efi Mouzourou were presented as candidates to the General Assembly.

Decision

The General Assembly elected the suggested candidates to the 2017 Board Nomination Committee.

27. Election of Election Committee

For the supervision of the election procedure an Election Committee consisting of three persons not standing for election of the board were to be elected.

The following three persons were suggested to be elected to form the Election Committee:

- Bae Schilling, Canada
- Tomohiko Yoshida, Japan
- Mutlu Turkmen, Turkey

Decision

The General Assembly approved of the Election Committee as suggested.

28. Election of TAFISA Board Member due to Resignation

Malgorzata Szukalska – Wrona, Poland in April this year formally resigned from her position as elected TAFISA board member for personal reasons. According to TAFISA statutes, it was the responsibility of the General Assembly to elect a new board member for the remaining term of the sitting Board of Directors.

In accordance with the statutes and following the call for applications seven candidacies were forwarded to the TAFISA office in the prescribed time.

After the detailed review of all the submitted applications, formally, all the candidates in principle were declared qualified to run for the Board:

- all applications were accompanied with support letters from the candidate's organization
- the membership fees for 2014 and 2015 were paid by each candidate's organization
- according to the information given by the candidates in their applications, all applicants are suitable according to their specific experiences in the Sport for All field, background, language capacity, etc.

Four candidates finally withdrew. The three remaining standing candidates made a bidding speech:

Name	Country	Organization
Attila Czene	Hungary	Hungarian Leisure Sport Association
Igor Lanzoni	Italy	Centro Sportivo Educativo Nazionale Italiano - CSEN
Yuh-Fang Wang Lee (Ms)	Chinese Taipei	Chinese Taipei Olympic Committee

Decision

The 2015 General Assembly elected Mr. Attila Czene as new TAFISA Board Member for the period 2013 – 2017 with a majority of votes during the first round.

29. Any Other Business

TAFISA Secretary General announced to the General Assembly the launch of the TAFISA Masters Course in International Sport for All Management in January – February 2016.

The TAFISA Board of Directors put forward to the General Assembly a motion to adopt a Statement on “Sport for All and Refugees” . The Statement was presented at the General Assembly.

Decision

The General Assembly approved the TAFISA Statement on “Sport for All and Refugees” as presented during the General Assembly.


Catherine Forde
Chairperson


Wolfgang Baumann
Secretary General

Frankfurt/Main, November 24, 2015