

## EPBF Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

July 7, 2015

10:00 a.m., Basildon, UK

### Board Members:

#### *Present:*

1. Laurent Hamet (France) - President,
2. Patrice Guigou (France) – General Secretary,
3. Ulrich Staehr (Germany) – the Senior Vice-President,
4. Barry Fuggle (Great Britain) - Vice-President,
5. Stephen Baldwin (Great Britain) - Vice-President,
6. Tomasz Matuszewski (Poland) - Vice-President,
7. Manfred Ulrich (Germany) - Vice-President.

#### *Absent:*

- Bruno Lemaire (Federation de Paintball Sportif, France)
- Wolfgang Kornholz (Austria),
- Viktor Tohayev (Ukraine) - Vice-President,

*Quorum present? Yes*

#### *Others Present:*

- EPBF Secretary Viktoriya Sarantseva

#### *Proceedings:*

- Meeting called to order at 10:00 a.m. on 7<sup>th</sup> of July, 2015 by Laurent Hamet, the EPBF President.

### **Item #1 on the Agenda: EPBF Sponsorship Packages for 2016.**

L.Hamet informed the present about progress with EPBF Sponsorship Packages: the Sponsorship Packages are composed; a meeting with Tatiana Nikolaeva about the Packages will be on Sunday, after the final review of the Packages the Executive Committee will have to validate it. It will be sent to the Committee Members as soon as it is ready.

### **Item #2 on the Agenda: Italian question.**

According to the decision of 2<sup>nd</sup> EPBF Congress in St Raphael on 30 March 2015, the Executive Committee Members should review the granting of the full EPBF Membership to FISP after the holding of proper election, organized before 01 of July 2015.

After a long discussion during the meeting, by considering the election process to FISP and by reviewing an issue about missing the Italian National team on Men`s Championship in Basildon, all the present doubted that the FISP is able to represent interests of most the Italian paintball teams as well as paintball Associations and Clubs in Italy.

To get the EPBF Membership, the FISP should represent the majority of teams in Italy, what means at least 55% of all Italian teams and Clubs (Associations) that are registered at any Italian Leagues & Series. All the present agreed that the EPBF can recognise the FISP as a Member for 1 year on a probationary basis, and the EPBF Executive Committee should get back to this subject in 2016 on more time.

#### **Decisions made:**

1. The EPBF will recognise the FISP for 1 year on a probationary basis and with the following conditions:  
The FISP must show us satisfactory proof that they represent at least 55% of all Italian teams and Clubs (Associations) that are registered at any significant Italian Leagues & Series. It is very important to the EPBF that National Leagues represent the majority of teams in each nation.

**Item #3 on the Agenda: the World Cup Year 2016 in Europe.**

The present agreed that we keep planning the World Cup Year 2016 in Europe in 4 categories: Veterans, Women`s, Men`s and U19, we start announce the news about WC Year 2016 from September. It was also agreed to keep the M500 format for WC Year 2016, taking into account huge success of that format during the European Championship Men`s in Basildon.

The information should be spread all around with the World Cup Year 2016 announcements, the EPBF booth in Chantilly, World Cup Asia in Malaysia and during the World Cup in USA, with banners, printing materials and the video-presentation from 1-4-1 TV on the TV screens. This is together with the Internet advertisements.

***Decisions made:***

1. To start announcing the World Cup Year 2016 in Europe from September: online-promo materials, printing productions and video-presentation.

*Next Meeting:*

The date and location of the next EPBF Board meeting is to be appointed separately.

*Adjournment*

12:00 p.m., Minutes submitted by Secretary, Viktoriya Sarantseva.