



Minutes

WT Council Meeting
Chairman's Club in the Manchester City FC | Manchester, UK
10h00-17h00 | 13 May 2019

AGENDA

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1. Establish Quorum: Call Meeting to Order

At 10h00, Secretary General Hoss Rafaty announces that 26 Council Members and 2 Auditors are present, thereby establishing a quorum in accordance with Article 8.6 of the Statutes.

The meeting is called to order by the Chair of the meeting, Dr. Chungwon Choue (WT President).

The Chair remarks that Vice President Mr. Sakis Pragalos and Gen. Ahmed Fouly are not able to join the meeting due to health reason while another Vice President Mr. Kamaladdin Heydarov is unable to attend due to his government engagement; therefore a total of three members are not present.

The Chair welcomes Council Members for joining the Council Meeting which takes place at the year marking 25th founding anniversary of the decision on inclusion of Taekwondo in the Olympic Program. He shows the commemorative video.

2. President Report

The Chair begins his report with briefing some remarkable accomplishments and occasions since the Fujairah Extraordinary Council Meeting held right before the Grand Prix Finals and a rainy Gala.

He first reports that he met with the IOC President Thomas Bach during the ANOC General Assembly held in Tokyo in November 2018 and that he had fruitful discussions on various topics including humanitarian efforts and cooperation with ITF. He adds that WT signed a cooperative MOU for joint efforts on humanitarian activities with ITTF on the occasion of ANOC General Assembly followed by signing with BWF in Lausanne 2019. He mentions that the collaborative efforts will continue with Judo, Handball and Hockey with ultimate aim to form Sport Peace Corp.

He remarks that this initiative has been addressed at many occasions such as the Olympic Refugee Foundation Board Meeting and the United through Sports Closing Conference in Gold Coast just three days before. He explains that remarkable outcomes have been produced from Azraq Camp with a total of 8 black belt holders including 2 girls. He shows the highlight video featuring the latest Dan Promotion Test where the young refugees passed the exam. He also says that the participation of these boys and girls in higher international tournaments, ultimately the Olympic Games, will be a next step. He concludes his report on humanitarian activities by sharing his re-election as Chairman of THF at the recent board meeting.

He then moves on reporting on collaboration with ITF. He reports that the meeting with ITF in Wuxi in December 2018 during the Grand Slam Champions Series has come to fruition in April this year when the two organizations formed a joint demonstration team and performed at the Olympic Museum in Lausanne as well as at the UN Geneva. He reports that this tour began in Vienna where the ITF headquarters are located. He shows the highlight video.

He addresses that the significant steps have been taken with regard to the collaboration with ITF since the historic signing of the MOU in Nanjing, China in 2014 in witness of the IOC President Thomas Bach. He concludes that he hopes to found a WT MNA in Pyongyang, DPRK in the near future.

He touches upon the update of Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games. He mentions that Taekwondo Competitions will be held at the 1st week of the Olympic Games for the first time and the seating capacity will be bigger than London 2012 and Rio 2016. He also mentions the showcasing of Taekwondo Mixed Team Event

which is intended to support WT's endeavor to put a Mixed-team competition at the Paris 2024 Olympic Games as a medal event. He addresses that the promotion of Taekwondo in Chiba region in the lead up to the Games will be critical and for that he paid a visit to local government of China for co-promotion.

He then moves to the topic of 2024 Paris Olympic Games. He mentions that 4 sports have been recommended by Paris Organizing Committee. Those are Surfing, Sport Climbing, Skateboarding and Breakdancing. He asks Council to pay special attention to the fact that the trend of the Olympic Games is moving toward to youth-oriented sport. He stresses that Taekwondo should cope with this trend and should more focus on youth-appealing discipline such as freestyle Poomsae.

The Chair addresses that the implementation of good governance of the WT is critical. He emphasizes that alignment between World Taekwondo, Continental Unions and Member National Associations is the key to success therefore Rules of Engagement has been created to ensure all aspects of good governance are practiced in every each level of organizations within Taekwondo. He adds that the restructuring committee is one of the efforts being undertaken. He commits that he will try to meet MNAs more often to ensure effective communications are taking place.

He concludes his report by expressing his honor to have IOC President Thomas Bach in the World Championships which marks his second consecutive visit to WT World Championships and by hoping to reach 200 member nations' participation in the next edition in Wuxi, China.

3. Approval

3.a. Approval of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held in Fujairah, UAE on November 21, 2018

The Chair calls attention to the Meeting Book, which was previously circulated to the Council and which contains documents to be considered during the meeting.

The Chair asks the Council if there are any comments on the minutes of the Council Meeting held on November 21, 2018 in Fujairah, UAE, which appears as Appendix in the Meeting Book.

There are no comments.

The Chair calls for approval of the Minutes. This is seconded and unanimously approved.

DECISION: Minutes of the Fujairah 2018 Extraordinary Council meeting are approved by the Council.

3.b. Approval of the Agenda of the 2019 General Assembly

The Chair asks the Council if there any comments on the Agenda of 2019 General Assembly which will be held tomorrow.

There are no comments.

The Chair calls for approval of the Agenda of 2019 General Assembly. This is seconded and unanimously approved.

DECISION: Agenda of 2019 General Assembly are approved by the Council.

4. WT 2018-2019 Secretary General Report

4.a. Operation Report

The Chair invites Secretary General Hoss Rafaty to present his reports on Operations.

Secretary General Rafaty first makes housekeeping announcements that the lunch will be served at same place as the meeting and the bus will take all council members back to the hotel before gathering at 18h15 for official dinner.

He calls attention to the Annual Report already handed out to the Council. Then, he briefs key decisions taken from the Extraordinary Council Meeting held in Hammamet, Tunisia on April 4, 2018 and the Extraordinary Council Meeting held in Fujairah, UAE on November 21, 2108.

He reports some highlights of WT competitions in 2018. A total of 83 international competitions were held, and over 42,500 athletes participated while 15,000 officials attended. Women athlete participation reached to 17,700 constituting about 42%. He says that Europe held 40% of the events while Asia took 30%.

He also reports the progress of the relationship with Kukkiwon. The agreement between WT and Kukkiwon was signed on March 2019 in which Kukkiwon agreed to delegate WT MNAs as the sole governing body to administer Dan Application Process.

He updates information on restructuring of the WT administration from 12 departments to 3 departments with 2 offices. He adds that WT-Wuxi Center opened on July 26, 2018 and has been functioning well in cooperation with the WT.

The Chair thanks Secretary General for his Operations Report. He remarks that effective operation of WT-Wuxi Center using standardized education programs will significantly help grow Taekwondo population especially in China. He asks the Council for any questions or comments. There are none.

The Chair invites Treasurer Pimol Srivikorn for his Finance Report.

4.b. Financial Report

Treasurer Srivikorn thanks the Chair and reports that he examined the financial statements ending December 31, 2018 which was prepared by Finance Department and that the audit was done in accordance with the Korean International Financial Reporting Standard. He confirms that the financial position of WT as of December 2018 is good and budget for 2019 was appropriately allocated and prepared for growth and development of Taekwondo.

The Chair thanks the Treasurer and asks the Council for any questions or comments. There are none.

The Chair invites Auditor Ali Sagirkaya for audit report.

Auditor Sagirkaya reports that he audited the financial statements for 2018 and budget for 2019 and concludes that the result of WT Operations for the year that ended in 2018 is in conformity with General Accounting Principles and adoption of Korean International Financial Reporting Standards. He recommends approval of the Audit Report.

The Chair thanks Auditor and asks the Council for any questions or comments. There are none.

The Chair calls for approval of WT's 2018 Financial Report and 2019 Budget. This is seconded and

unanimously approved.

DECISION: Financial Statements of 2018 and Budget for 2019 are approved by the Council.

5. Enactment

5.a. WT Regulation on the Administration of WT Educators

5.b. WT Regulation on the Administration of WT International Coaches

The Chair invites Member Relations & Development Senior Director Mr. Jeongkang Seo for presentation of the proposed enactment of WT Regulation on the Administration of WT Educators.

Senior Director Seo presents that the two regulations have been prepared for enforcement of the new certification courses for educators and coaches as part of the new WT development and education programs approved by the Council in November in Fujairah, UAE.

He explains objective, administration, qualification for applicants, lecturers, registration process, curriculum, evaluation, validation of the certificates, promotion, duties and enforcement for the both courses for educators and international coaches.

He reports that the Regulation on WT Educators shall be applied from March 1, 2019 retroactively. He also indicates that the Regulation on WT International Coaches will be applied as of June 1, 2019 while the mandatory possession will be required from June 1, 2020 while the certificate issued by Continental Unions will be valid until December 31, 2019.

The Chair asks the Council for any questions or comments. There were none.

The Chair calls the Council for approval of the enactment of the WT Regulation on the Administration of WT Educators and WT Regulation on the Administration of WT International Coaches. It was seconded and unanimously approved.

DECISION:

- 1. Enactment Proposal for WT Regulation on the Administration of WT Educators was approved by the Council.***
- 2. Enactment Proposal for WT Regulation on the Administration of WT International Coaches was approved by the Council.***

5.c. WT Hall of Fame Bylaw

The Chair remarks that the year of 2018 marked the 45th anniversary of foundation of WT and that another ambitious project was taken by WT to recognize and honor the great contributors for the development of Taekwondo. He invites Legal Counsel Corbin Min for presentation of the enactment of WT Hall of Fame Bylaw.

Legal Counsel Min explains that the purpose of this Hall of Fame is to honor those who had made extraordinary contributions to Taekwondo as an Olympic sport. He adds that the Hall of Fame Committee shall be formulated to oversee the process. This committee will be responsible for recommendation of the final list of the nominees for selection of the Council on who will be inducted to the Hall of Fame by

majority vote.

He continues explaining that the award will be classified into three categories; leadership, technical development and athlete, and that various elements will be considered such as balances of gender, geography, race and ethnicity. He concludes his report by saying that it is proposed with 18 awardees for the first year.

The Chair asks the Council for any questions or comments.

Auditor Mr. Dalibor Krpan asks the application process. Mr. Min replies that the application should be submitted by WT Member National Association to WT Member Relations & Development Department.

Mr. Krpan expresses his concern that some MNAs might exclude members not in good relationship with them. The Chair assures that it will not be the case as the control mechanism will be in place. There is no further question.

The Chair calls the Council for approval of the enactment of the WT Hall of Fame Bylaw. It was seconded and unanimously approved.

DECISION: WT Hall of Fame Bylaw is approved by the Council.

The Chair calls for a break.

[Break]

6. Amendment

The Chair calls the Council meeting back to order.

6.a. WT Statutes

The Chair remarks that The Chair invites Legal Counsel Corbin min to present amendment proposal for WT Statutes.

Legal Counsel Min says that many of amendment proposals are prepared for alignment of the Statutes with Competition Rules and the other codes.

- Recognize Kukkiwon as one of the cooperative organizations specifically for the standardization of martial arts education and Dan & Poom certifications;
- Expand the number of eligible competitions for MNAs to be able to maintain a full level 1 recognition;
- Add two certification courses (for educators and coaches) to the operations of WT; and
- Restructure the committees: Games, Referees, Coaches, Athletes, Medical and Para Committee are under Technical Commission while Development, Education and Taekwondo for All Committee are under Member Relations & Development (“MRD”) Commission. Sustainability, Finance, Juridical and Ethics & Integrity Committee will serve as Oversight committee. WT administration will create a terms of reference. The committee will be expected to provide a quarterly report. Those reports will be all published on WT website. Chairs of Technical Commission and MRD Commission will attend Council Meetings and General Assembly to

update on their activities.

The Chair asks the Council for any questions or comments. There are none.

The Chair calls for approval of the proposed amendment to WT Statutes. This is seconded and unanimously approved.

DECISION: Amendment to WT Statutes is approved by the Council.

6.b. WT Code of Ethics

The Chair invites Legal Counsel Corbin Min for presentation of the amendment proposal for WT Code of Ethics.

Legal Counsel Min explains that the works have been done under the lead of the committee Chair Mr. Luc Reychler to improve the rule in line with the IOC Ethics Code. He adds that the amendment recognizes the Universal Principles of Good Governance of the Olympic and Sport Movement as part of the expectations for the ethics in WT Code of Ethics including transparency, integrity, democracy, responsibility and accountability.

Council Member Mr. Pascal Gentil proposes creation of the Sustainable Development Committee to accomplish the function required to protect environment and good actions. Mr. Min replies that WT already has Sustainability Committee in place and Member Relations & Development Commission will also serve as the role to protect the those values.

He continues explaining the scope, application, resources, conduct, sustainability, confidentiality and elections of the Code of Ethics.

The Chair asks the Council for any questions or comments. There are none.

The Chair calls for approval of the proposed amendment to WT Code of Ethics. This is seconded and unanimously approved.

DECISION: Amendment to WT Code of Ethics is approved by the Council.

6.c. WT Disciplinary Actions and Appeals Code

The Chair invites Legal Counsel Corbin Min for presentation of amendment proposal for WT Disciplinary Actions and Appeals Code.

Legal Counsel Min points out that the only two key points are raised; increase of the fee for filing a complaint to avoid abuse without ground and provisional suspension on a serious case even before completing the investigation.

The Chair asks the Council for any questions or comments. There are none.

The Chair calls for approval of the proposed amendment to WT Disciplinary Actions and Appeals Code. This is seconded and unanimously approved.

DECISION: Amendment to WT Disciplinary Actions and Appeals Code is approved by the Council.

The Chair calls for lunch break

[Lunch Break]

The Chair calls the Council meeting back to order.

The Chair calls for change of order of the agenda due to the scheduled departure of Mr. Giovanni di Cola. He suggests inviting Mr. Di Cola for presentation of the 7.a. Strategic Planning for a sustainable WT. It was seconded and unanimously approved.

7.a. Strategic Planning for a sustainable WT

The Chair invites Sustainability Committee Chair Mr. Giovanni di Cola for report on Strategic Planning for a sustainable WT.

Mr. Di Cola points out that the sustainability is not only about environmental sustainability but also is about social, economic and environmental sustainability coming from an international agenda and it is a package of a number of goals. In sport, the IOC identified 5 priority areas; infrastructure, sourcing, resource management, mobility and workforce. He remarks that World Taekwondo is found very strong in workforce, mobility and infrastructure.

He continues introducing seventeen (17) recommendations to implement change (A clear Roadmap) as follows.

- (1) Beyond mottos like “One World One Taekwondo” and “Peace is more precious than triumph”, a mandate must encompass vision, values and objectives of Taekwondo and its goal.
- (2) Promote a results-based management (RBM) culture for monitoring and managing the implementation of the strategy of the organization including World Taekwondo units, offices and THF to work in team and achieve common objectives and results.
- (3) Simple and effective gender sensitive and performance quality indicators (SMART) should be identified and included in the strategic plan so that WT staff can relate to them for performance appraisals.
- (4) A holistic approach to compliance overall should bring very satisfying results in the ranking. This should be done through a consistent effort to be pursued by a team of WT officials in HQs in support to WT Lausanne office.
- (5) Aligning with the IOC Sustainability Strategy on “workforce, transportation, mobility and climate change” with youth and skills as cross cutting.
- (6) Policies need to be communicated transparently as they refer to WT mandate as for ethics and integrity. Processes also should be streamlined and optimized. Sport (and non-sport related) reference centers should be consulted in that regard.
- (7) THF to focus on coordination, collaboration, building a model and building services to share with other federations.
- (8) Clear guidelines and checklists on how to organize events should be widely communicated including bid requirements. The above should include guidelines for inclusion of athletes with non-discrimination practices (including visa for athletes).
- (9) Marketing strategies to fund the development of WT and of its continental unions and national associations should be developed. It should be based on global, continental and local sponsorships and should relate to the mandate of WT.
- (10) Building the worldwide reputation of taekwondo: “a fair equitable and clean sport”. Clear guidelines including prevention, conflict resolution and remedies.
- (11) Creating a branding project for World Taekwondo. “Branding is not only a logo and a look but it is what the other think of you when you have left the room. It is about reputation”. There must be only one definition and a motto for WT.
- (12) In this regard, a framework for monitoring and evaluation should be selected and tested over two years. It would be better to select a toll which is aligned with project log frames as

mentioned, to avoid inconsistencies and redundancies.

- (13) A structured inventory of practices of conflict of interests should be prepared and made it public.
- (14) Contributing to the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) requires a selection of SDGs with relevant indicators. UN agencies could support as required WT in this regard.
- (15) WT Should put in place a risk management framework with the aim of also addressing the needs of the target groups and in particular athletes and national taekwondo associations.
- (16) Building on the achievements of WT to promote gender equality in both internal and external operations, documenting and sharing good practice in order to actively support other federations.
- (17) Putting a cross-cutting gender dimension in its strategic framework, enhancing gender diversity of its workforce, and increasing women representation in leadership position.

The Chair asks the Council for any questions or comments. There are none.

The Chair calls for adoption of the 17 recommendations made by Sustainability Committee. This is seconded and unanimously approved.

DECISION: 17 Recommendations from Sustainability Committee to implement change is adopted by the Council.

7.b. Governance

7.b.i) ASOIF Indicators

The Chair invites Strategic Planning Office Director Jerry Ling for presentation of ASOIF Indicator.

Mr. Jerry Ling introduces the background and status of ASOIF Indicator which measures governance of International Federations. He adds that these days some International Federations are legally challenged on their autonomy and are not free from public perspectives. He illustrates the strength and weakness of World Taekwondo in governance based on the results published by ASOIF.

He continues reporting that WT is doing good overall but needs more promotion on what it has achieved. He points out that some subjects such as integrity, term limits, entry discrimination policies and control mechanism need to be revisited and improved.

The Chair asks the Council for any questions or comments. Treasurer Pimol Srivikorn asks if there is clear guidance from IOC or ASOIF on how much budget to be allocated to development and comments that WT should increase awareness of our activities. Director Ling replies that some exemplary IFs allocate around 40% of their budget for development and education even though there is no clear indication or request from ASOIF for this per cent. He also agrees to the second point and assures that WT is working tirelessly to improve public relations to show what is being done.

The Chair thanks Director Ling for his presentation.

6.d. WT Articles of Association

The Chair remarks that there is a need to amend WT Articles of Association to ensure the rule is in compliance with the law of the Republic of Korea where the WT headquarters are located. He invites Legal Counsel Corbin Min for presentation.

Mr. Min explains that World Taekwondo is a legal entity in the Rep. of Korea and that Korea does not allow the registration of the organization based on its own rule therefore requiring for WT to have a separate regulation with certain cooperate requirements are reflected including the board structure. He continues

that the Council's approval is requested to appoint WT Secretary General as an ex-officio director of the World Taekwondo Inc.

The Chair asks the Council for any questions or comments. There are none.

The Chair calls for approval of the proposed amendment to WT Articles of Association. This is seconded and unanimously approved.

The Chair calls for approval of appointing WT Secretary General as an Ex-officio Director of World Taekwondo Inc. This is seconded and unanimously approved.

DECISION:

- 1. Amendment to WT Articles of Association is approved by General Assembly.**
- 2. Appointment of WT Secretary General as an Ex-officio Director of World Taekwondo Inc. is approved by General Assembly.**

6.e. WT Competition Rules and Interpretation

The Chair invites Senior Director Jaewook Lee to make presentation on amendment proposal for WT Competition Rules and Interpretation.

Senior Director Lee explains the major changes as follows.

- Remove "WT Dan/Poomsae Holders from the qualification of athletes;
- Change terminologies; boundary line to outer line, mouthpiece to mouth guard; and
- Remove English term 'deduction penalty' to avoid confusion

The Chair asks the Council for any questions or comments. There are none.

The Chair calls the Council for approval of the proposed amendment to WT Competition Rules and Interpretation. It is seconded and unanimously approved.

DECISION: Amendment to WT Competition Rules & Interpretation is approved by the Council.

6.f. WT Ranking Bylaw

The Chair invites Senior Director Jaewook Lee for presentation of the amendment proposal for WT Ranking Bylaw.

Senior Director Lee explains that most of changes are for technical terminologies which will be now in line with the IOC wordings. He adds that the others proposed changes are change of the reporting timeline of Technical Delegate report and timeline of ranking announcement.

The Chair asks the Council for any questions or comments. There are none.

The Chair calls the Council for approval of the proposed amendment to WT Ranking Bylaw. It was seconded and unanimously approved.

DECISION: Amendment to WT Ranking Bylaw is approved by the Council.

6.g. WT Poomsae Ranking Bylaw

The Chair invites Senior Director Jaewook Lee for presentation of the amendment proposal for WT Poomsae Ranking Bylaw.

Senior Director Lee explains that the key change is addition of the ranking for Freestyle Poomsae for promotion.

The Chair asks the Council for any questions or comments. There are none.

The Chair calls the Council for approval of the proposed amendment to WT Poomsae Ranking Bylaw. It was seconded and unanimously approved.

DECISION: Amendment to WT Poomsae Ranking Bylaw is approved by the Council.

6.h. WT Rules on Administration of International Classifiers

The Chair invites Para Taekwondo Chair of Technical and Referee Committee Mr. Chakir Chelbat and Para Taekwondo Department Manager Mr. Olof Hansson for presentation of the amendment proposal for WT Rules on Administration of International Classifiers.

Mr. Chair Chelbat remarks that the amendment is for minor corrections and clarifications in the wording of the articles mainly the name of education seminars, removal of dates for implementation of online education and updating any form of classifiers.

The Chair asks the Council for any questions or comments. There are none.

The Chair calls the Council for approval of the proposed amendment to WT Rules on Administration of International Classifiers. It was seconded and unanimously approved.

DECISION: Amendment to WT Rules on Administration of International Classifiers is approved by the Council.

6.i. WT Regulation on the Administration of International Kyorugi Referees

The Chair invites Senior Director Jaewook Lee for presentation of the amendment proposal for WT Regulation on the Administration of International Kyorugi Referee.

Senior Director Lee explains that the most of changes are reflection of the merging of Para Taekwondo Referees into the able-body Referees and that there are a few changes in terms of sharing information of the eligible referees with continental unions and member national associations.

The Chair asks the Council for any questions or comments. There are none.

The Chair calls the Council for approval of the proposed amendment to WT Regulation on the Administration of International Kyorugi Referees. It was seconded and unanimously approved.

DECISION: Amendment to WT Regulation on the Administration of International Kyorugi Referees is approved by the Council.

6.j. WT Regulation on the Administration of International Poomsae Referees

The Chair invites Senior Director Jaewook Lee for presentation of the amendment proposal for WT Regulation on the Administration of International Poomsae Referees.

Senior Director Lee remarks that the changes are very minor and mostly for rewriting and better clarifications.

The Chair asks the Council for any questions or comments. There are none.

The Chair calls the Council for approval of the proposed amendment to WT Regulation on the Administration of International Poomsae Referees. It was seconded and unanimously approved.

DECISION: Amendment to WT Regulation on the Administration of International Poomsae Referees is approved by the Council.

The Chair calls for a break.

[Break]

At 14h40, the Chair calls the Council Meeting back to order.

6.k. WT Finance Rules

The Chair invites Strategic Planning Office Director Jerry Ling for presentation of amendment proposal for Finance Rules.

Director Ling remarks that this rule was first enacted in Fujairah at the last council meeting as part of efforts of good governance and that the rule has been practiced on trial basis. He adds that our Finance Rules were reviewed by ASOIF and Governance Support and Monitoring Unit (GSMU) and it was told that the rule is very comprehensive and sensible.

He addresses that there have been a lot of positive outcomes but at the same time there have some drawbacks, especially the significant increase of the expense. He concludes that there are a couple of changes for better management but this rule is still serves as a set of guidelines for everyone.

The Chair asks the Council for any questions or comments. There are none.

The Chair calls the Council for approval of the proposed amendment to WT Finance Rules. It was seconded and unanimously approved.

DECISION: Amendment to WT Finance Rules is approved by the Council.

6.l. WT Medical Code

The Chair invites Medical Committee Chair Dr. David Jeong for presentation of the amendment proposal for Medical Code.

Dr. Jeong explains the important concept of commission doctor training program to ensure consistent medical service is provided in all levels of WT competitions. He mentions that the first of its kind is taking place here in Manchester.

He continues reporting that there are articles proposed for change are for roles and responsibilities of OMDs and for management of the protocol of the loss of consciousness of head trauma as well as the strict venue medal service requirements. He adds that different medical requirements for different level of the competitions are introduced.

The Chair asks the Council for any questions or comments.

Vice President Mr. Jiho Choi asks if the LOC for G1 and G2 needs to prepare 2 ambulances if they have 6 courts. Dr. Jeong replies that it is in line with medical guidelines so G4 and above level of competitions must follow the medical guidelines strictly with no exception. But for G1 and G2, the number of the ambulances can be reduced to 1 if the distance between the venue and hospital is within 15 minutes and

there is a non-emergency transportation vehicle to replace the 2nd ambulance.

Auditor Mr. Ali Sagirkaya comments that asking opinion of the coach is conflict of interest for recovery of athlete after concussion and asks for inclusion of Poomsae competitions in applying this medical guideline. Dr. Jeong explains that 30, 40, 50 days recovery time and rehabilitation is still safe and minimally required for senior, junior and cadet based on the scientific research. He agrees that applying same rule to Poomsae will be good.

The Chair asks the Council for any questions or comments. There are none.

The Chair calls the Council for approval of the proposed amendment to WT Medical Code. It was seconded and unanimously approved.

DECISION: Amendment to WT Medical Code is approved by the Council.

6.m. WT Para Taekwondo Competition Rules

The Chair invites Para Taekwondo Technical and Referee Chair Mr. Chakir Chelbat and Para Taekwondo Department Manager Mr. Olof Hansson for presentation of amendment proposal for WT Para Taekwondo Competition Rules.

Mr. Chakir Chelbat remarks that most of important changes were made last year at the General Assembly in Hammamet and this time the proposed changes are minor including more flexibility of random weigh-in, uniform specifications and measures to be responsive to intentional misinterpretation.

The Chair asks the Council for any questions or comments. There are none.

The Chair calls the Council for approval of the proposed amendment to WT Para Taekwondo Competition Rules. It was seconded and unanimously approved.

DECISION: Amendment to WT Para Taekwondo Competition Rules is approved by the Council.

6.n. WT Para Taekwondo Bylaw

6.o. WT Regulations on Administration of Para Taekwondo IRs in Kyorugi and in Poomsae

The Chair addresses that merging of Para Taekwondo governance and education into the able-body system should be reflected on the regulations therefore proposing to abolish these two rules.

The Chair asks the Council for any questions or comments. There are none.

The Chair calls the Council for approval of repealing the WT Para Taekwondo Bylaw and WT Regulations on Administration of Para Taekwondo IRs in Kyorugi and Poomsae. It was seconded and unanimously approved.

DECISION: WT Para Taekwondo Bylaw and WT Regulations on Administration of Para Taekwondo IRs in Kyorugi and Poomsae are repealed d by the Council.

7. Reports

7.b.ii) Rules of Engagement

The Chair invites Legal Counsel Mr. Corbin Min for reporting Rules of Engagement.

Mr. Min stresses that Rules of Engagement is all about alignment of WT, CUs, MNAs and even club level with clear roles and responsibilities and clear goal followed by efficient and sustainable actions. He reports that the WT is going to conduct comprehensive review of all existing rules and will set the guiding rules for CUs and MNAs to ensure that the same rules are applied cross all levels of WT stakeholders.

The Chair asks the Council for any questions or comments. There are none. The Chair thanks Mr. Min.

7.b.iii) WT-IF

Mr. Min continues reporting the progress of WT-IF including the name changes followed by corporate name change of World Taekwondo, and introduces the new formation of the board as follows.

- President: Hoss Rafaty
- Vice President: Gen. Ahmed Fouly
- Secretary General: Inseon Kim
- Treasurer: Pimol Srivikorn
- Auditor: Ali Sagirkaya
- Member: Francisco Raymundo Gonzalez

He concludes that the new contract between WT and WT-IF is under way focusing on re-investment of GMS revenue to member development.

The Chair asks the Council for any questions or comments. There are none. The Chair thanks Mr. Min.

7.c. Development and Education Program

The Chair invites Member Relations & Development Senior Director Jeongkang Seo for reporting Development and Education.

Senior Director Seo recalls the roadmap of development of education approved by the Council at its meeting in November last year and touches upon the implementation plans of 6 key results areas which are CU and MNA development, certification courses, athlete support for training and scholarship, education tools, external partnership and Para Taekwondo. The allocated budget was also explained.

He reports the outcomes of the 1st WT Educator Certification Course held in Muju in March this year and the next steps to be taken in the second half of this year including coordination with continental union for development programs and coach certification programs.

The Chair thanks Senior Director Seo.

7.d. GMS Update

The Chair invites GMS Director Mr. Justin Tenbeth for reporting GMS Update.

Director Tenbeth reports that this event marks the largest tournament with over 2,500 registrants from 150 countries including 966 athletes, 818 officials, 325 technical officials, 427 VIPs, 100 International Referees, 83 media, 188 organizing committee staff and 224 volunteers. He continues reporting that 860 visa letters were issued through the GMS system and over thousand accommodation and flight details

were collected by the system which makes it easier for the organizing committee to manage the tournament.

He reports that the GMS members are growing and is now reaching over 73,000 active members. He shows breakdown of the numbers by region, countries and gender.

He also reports that GMS is currently working with WT Member Relations Department to build online education system which will launch soon.

He concludes his report by introducing the first version of the App where anyone can find information on schedule, participants, event results, etc. He adds the more features of the App will be explained at the General Assembly.

8. Kukkiwon

The Chair invites Senior Director Jeongkang Seo for reporting Kukkiwon related matters.

Senior Director Seo explains the historical background of the relationship between WT and Kukkiwon particularly since 2017 when WT issues a set of recommendations for Kukkiwon to adopt. He adds that there has been no clear legal ground of cooperation between the two organizations and that the nature of decision-making body of two organizations is quite different. WT is in good standing within Kukkiwon structure and management including participation in the board as an ex-officio and participation in the election committee for new Kukkiwon President.

He reports that WT has continued working with Kukkiwon to continue collaboration under the name of taekwondo and finally reached to agreement in March this year and that the biggest achievement is to designate WT Member National Associations as the sole governing body for administration of Kukkiwon Poom/Dan procedures as long as they meet the qualifications set by Kukkiwon.

He concludes that some key legal issues have been resolved by changing own statutes and that more detailed guidelines on the process will come in the second half of this year in cooperation with Kukkiwon.

The Chair asks the Council for any questions or comments.

Treasurer Mr. Pimol Srivikorn asks who the 70 election nomination commission members are. Mr. Seo replies that he does not have details in hand but a lot of different stakeholders of taekwondo including WT and continental unions are represented. The Chair thanks Mr. Seo.

9. Selection of the Host Cities

9.a. Grand Prix Final 2020

The Chair addresses that there will be no Grand Prix Series in 2020 since it is an Olympic year but there will be a Grand Prix Final after the Games. He further explains that this event was awarded to Tunis, Tunisia but the hosting right was lost due to incident of non-issuance of visa for the Israeli athletes.

He invites the delegates from Mexico for bid presentation.

The delegates from Mexico explains that Mexico has a long history of hosting WT promoted championships such as World Championships, World Junior Championships, Grand Prix Series and Finals and that WT Gala was inaugurated in Mexico. He adds that Mexico has vast experiences in organizing many prestigious international sporting events and this time the city of Monterrey and Cancun are considered as the host and the decision will be made soon in consultation with the federal government. The short videos are played.

The Chair asks the Council for any questions. There are none. The Chair thanks and asks the delegates of Mexico to leave the room.

The Chair opens floor to Council Members for any remarks. There are none. The Chair calls the Council for approval of awarding Mexico as the host of the 2020 Grand Prix Final preferably at the city of Cancun. It was seconded and unanimously approved.

The Chair calls the delegates of Mexico back to meeting room and congratulates.

DECISION: Cancun, Mexico is selected as the host city of 2020 Grand Prix Final by the Council.

9.b. Grand Prix Series 2021-2023

The Chair introduces that Great Britain is bidding for two events; 2021 Grand Prix Series and 2023 Grand Prix Final both in Manchester. He invites the delegates from Great Britain.

A delegate of Great Britain introduces the members from GB Taekwondo, British Taekwondo, UK Sport and Manchester City Council.

The delegates stress the commitments and passion of GB in taekwondo as well as long standing partnership with World Taekwondo and the long term legacy from London 2012 Olympic Games. A short video is played.

The Chair asks the Council for any questions.

Council Member Mr. Ide Issaka raises concern about the visa issue. He mentions that several African countries could not participate in this World Championships due to visa issue including his country Niger.

Delegate from Great Britain apologizes for the incident and explains that there is strict 15 days rule applied which cannot be controlled by the LOC however; GB Taekwondo is willing to work more closely with the countries having difficulties in the future.

The Chair thanks the delegates from Great Britain and asks for leaving the room for a while.

The Chair opens floor to the Council for any further remarks. There are none. The Chair assures that the WT will ask the LOC for submission of an official governmental guarantee letter for visa.

The Chair calls the delegates from Great Britain back to the meeting room. He addresses two conditions for awarding the 2021 Grand Prix Series and 2023 Grand Prix Final; one is for the pertinent governmental authority to issue a guarantee letter for visa issuance and the other is to ensure typical British weather condition during the event period. Then he congratulates the delegates of Great Britain.

The delegates of Great Britain thank the WT Council for the opportunities assuring the first condition will be achieved through close cooperation with the government but no guarantee for the second request.

DECISION: Manchester, UK is selected as the host city of the following events by the Council.

- **2021 Grand Prix Series**
- **2023 Grand Prix Final**

Council Member Mr. Anthony Ferguson asks the delegates from Great Britain for further and proactive engagement with Commonwealth Games Federation for inclusion of Taekwondo in the next edition. Delegates from Great Britain commits to working hard to make it happen.

The Chair thanks Mr. Ferguson and congratulates again the delegates from great Britain.

10. Other Matters

10.a. WT Hall of Fame

The Chair addresses that WT is aiming at creating the Hall of Fame to honor and recognize the great contributors, and that the more details will be shared at the General Assembly tomorrow by the Secretary General.

10.b. New WT Headquarters

The Chair informs that the headquarters of the WT will move to another place in Seoul which is 10 minute driving distance from the current location. He explains that the building is owned by Booyoung and is near City Hall of Seoul and that the WT is given 4-year free rental as part of sponsorship.

10.c. Athletes' Rights and Responsibilities Declaration

The Chair calls the Council for approval of the inclusion of this new item as it is an important subject to be discussed within the Council. It was seconded and unanimously approved.

The Chair invites Council Member Ms. Nadin Dawani.

Ms. Dawani explains that Athletes' Rights and Responsibilities have been outlined across the Olympic Movements that the Athletes' Declaration is athlete-driven project, by athletes for athletes to benefit all the athletes' not just Olympic athletes.

She adds that the declarations have received great responses from the Olympic Movements such as adoption by the 133rd IOC Session in Buenos Aires, endorsement by the ASOIF Council, and many other occasions. She concludes that more information can be found at Athlete 365 website.

The Chair asks the Council for any questions or comments. There are none. The Chair calls the Council for adoption of the Athletes' Rights and Responsibilities Declaration. It was seconded and unanimously approved.

DECISION: Athletes' Rights and Responsibilities Declaration is adopted by the Council.

11. Next Meeting

The Chair announces that the next Council Meeting will be held on December 5, 2019 in Moscow, Russia on the occasion of the Grand Prix Final and Gala Awards. He notes that travel and accommodation for

council members will be covered in compliance with Finance Rules.

12. Closing of Meeting

The Chair thanks all Council Members for contributions to the meeting.

At 17h00, the Chair declares the Council Meeting to be adjourned.