



MINUTES OF THE 2018 IMSSU ORDINARY GENERAL ASSEMBLY 26 JULY 2018 IN SIPOO FINLAND

The President, Rob Boucher, declared the meeting open at 08.05 pm and welcomed all Delegates

Present

BOUTCHER	Rob	Australia
DEWSBURY	David	Australia
BERNHARD	Siegfried	Austria
RICHERT	Helga	Austria
EQUETER	Lucas	Belgium
LEMPOLA	Hanna	Finland
MAKELA	Sami	Finland
DALLE- FRATTE	Gerard	France
BOULAY	Philippe	France
SCHUH	Sigrid	Germany
SCHUH	Christian	Germany
MEDVECZKI	Zoltan	Hungary
QUINLAN	Dan	Ireland
DOPPEN	Casper	Netherlands
VAN HOOFF	Joep	Netherlands
KASASTUL	Mathis	Norway
MUSTAPARTA	Nikolay	Norway
KLIMAKOV	Gleb	Russia
ROSSOUW	Annette	South Africa
ROSSOUW	Pannetjie	South Africa
JONSSON	Tom	Sweden
LINDBERG	Christian	Sweden

Apologies

Switzerland
Philippines
Sri Lanka

Proxy to

Australia

1 President's Report

The President welcomed Belgium back into the IMSSU family and noted that they had been a founding member in 1992. He advised that the Philippines and Russia have been admitted as members since the last Assembly in 2016.

The President advised that the Council had not met since the 2016 Assembly, with all business being conducted by email.

He advised that, after 26 years as General Secretary, Jean-Pierre Beurtheret is not seeking a further term. He said he would like to pay tribute to Jean-Pierre for the many years of service he had freely

given to the IMSSU and place on record his personal thanks and also the thanks of all the IMSSU members. He believed that Jean-Pierre Beurtheret had been the glue that has held the fabric of the IMSSU together through the peaks and troughs that we have successfully navigated over the past 26 years. Jean-Pierre Beurtheret was an active Metallic Silhouette shooter prior to the formation of the IMSSU and was present at the formation meeting of the IMSSU on the 7th November 1992 where he was elected the inaugural General Secretary. Since that time he has spent countless hours working on behalf of the IMSSU. Like Michel Boulanger, who was the inaugural President of the IMSSU, we all owe Jean-Pierre Beurtheret a debt of gratitude for the IMSSU still being a successful functioning organisation some 26 years after its birth.

He noted that the 2018 World Championships, being conducted by the SSG Club at Sipoo, Finland, had attracted entries from 14 countries with more than 150 shooters competing. He placed on record the thanks of the IMSSU to the SSG and its hardworking Organizing Committee and volunteers.

He also noted that a number of countries have or are in the process of reviewing their Firearms Legislation. He reminded the meeting that we must always be ready to provide factual advice to the authorities to counter the non factual, emotional advice that is always promoted by the antigun element in our society.

He reminded the delegates of the IMSSU website and that Competition Calendars and results of National Championships were always welcome posts.

2 General Secretary's Report

The President advised that Jean-Pierre Beurtheret had not provided a written report for this Assembly. He had sent an email to all countries with the final Agenda for the Assembly and also advising that he will not be applying for another mandate after 26 years as General Secretary. He also advised that it had been a "nice adventure" and sent his best wishes for the future of the IMSSU.

3 Financial Report

Jean-Pierre Beurtheret had provided an IMSSU Financial Report as of 30th June 2018

Bank account: 4144.45 €.

Savings book: 42440.59 €.

Total: 46585.04 €

All IMSSU membership fees are up to date except for Namibia who have not paid since 2015. The 2018 fees have been called and some member countries have already paid.

Annual accounts:

2016

Expenses:

The annual bank fees: 55 €.

The refund of the IMSSU President travel expenses to South Africa in 2016: 1911,35 € plus 58,50 € for the bank fees (money transfer to Australia).

The fee for the IMSSU web domain: 93.96 €. Paid until November 6, 2021.

IMSSU financial aid to South Africa for the sponsoring of the 2016 World Championships: 3512.56 € plus 76.50 € for the bank fees.

Interests:

The amount of the 2016 interests of the savings book is 335.90 €

2017

Expenses:

Maintenance of the IMSSU web site for 2014, 2015 and 2016, paid to Deon Dixon:
2569.98 € plus 59.50 € for the bank fees.

The annual bank fees: 63 €.

Interest:

The amount of the 2017 interest of the savings book is 316.86 €

2018

Expenses:

The annual bank fees: 63 €.

The President advised the meeting that the Vice President over sighting the accounts, Sigrid Schuh, had examined and verified the accounts. This was confirmed by Sigrid Schuh.

Approval of the accounts for the previous two years

Australia proposed, seconded by South Africa that the accounts be approved. The accounts, as presented, were approved unanimously.

4 Renewal of Council

The President advised that there were 10 nominations for the 10 available positions and therefore declared that all nominees were elected. All Delegates agreed.

PAOLINI	Bernhard	SWITZERLAND
BOULAY	Philippe	FRANCE
DALLE-FRATTE	Gerard	FRANCE
KLIMAKOV	Gleb	RUSSIA
SORER	Jiri	CZECH REPUBLIC
JONSSON	Tom	SWEDEN
LINDBERG	Christian	SWEDEN
MUSTAPARTA	Nikolay	NORWAY
LEMPOLA	Hanna	FINLAND
ROSSOUW	Annette	SOUTH AFRICA

The President thanked the retiring Councillors for their contributions.

5 Election of the General Secretary by the Council

Finland nominated Hanna Lempola and South Africa nominated Annette Rossouw.

The President advised that a secret ballot would be held. Joep Van Hoof and Christian Schuh were appointed as scrutineers.

Following the counting of votes, the meeting was advised that Hanna Lempola had secured 11 votes and Annette Rossouw 1 vote. Hanna Lempola was declared elected as General Secretary.

6 Membership fees:

The recommendation that there be no change to the membership fees was discussed and approved unanimously.

The fees remain at €1.25 per individual member with a minimum of €60 and a maximum of €600.

The Member Country sponsoring the World Championships must also refund 5% of the Entry fees to the IMSSU.

Norway raised the matter that countries hosting the World Championships must refund 5% of the Entry fees but are also able to apply for a grant to cover documented costs to assist in running the Championships. The President advised that the 5% fee was included in the Rules and Regulations of 7th November 1992 and could not be changed at this meeting. He agreed with Norway that the matter should be further discussed at the next meeting.

7 Letter from Namibia:

The letter from Namibia advising that they had lost access to their shooting ranges, situated on military ground, due to the military not only removing permission to shoot but also not allowing the Shooting Clubs to retrieve any of their equipment. Namibia advised they were doing all within their power to either reverse the situation or find new ground suitable for shooting ranges. In doing so they had exhausted all their available funds. Namibia requested that in the interim, the IMSSU put their membership on "hold" until such time they were up and running again with suitable shooting facilities.

The request from Namibia was discussed and approved unanimously. The meeting was advised that the situation will continue to be monitored.

8 Application to host 2020 World Championship:

The meeting was advised that Sweden was the only applicant. The meeting was unanimous in awarding the 2020 World Championships to Sweden.

Sweden thanked the Delegates and advised that the Championships will be held at the Ornskoldsvik range which was the venue for the 2013 European Championships and World Cup. They advised that facilities were being upgraded and would be ready for the Nordic Championships in May 2019.

9 Miscellaneous Questions

- 1 Sweden advised that the Nordic Championships will be held at the Ornskoldsvik range from 28th May to 6th June 2019 and issued an invitation to all IMSSU members to enter.
- 2 Austria asked, where the rifle matches were conducted first, if the Medal Ceremonies for rifle could be held separately so that rifle shooters didn't have to wait until the completion of the competition, which could be up to a week. The meeting was advised that, due to different range configurations, it was up to the hosting country to decide the most appropriate program, with a view to keeping it as short as possible.
- 3 Russia advised that, while the shooting range in Moscow is a military range, it was hoping to continue developing the shooting sports and possibly hold an IMSSU World Championships at sometime in the future. Germany advised that currently there were problems with taking firearms and ammunition into Russia.
- 4 South Africa asked Sweden to consider including the Small Bore Open Sight Rifle events in 2020.
- 5 The President advised that he had been approached regarding a suitable presentation from the IMSSU to Jean-Pierre Beurtheret in recognition of his 26 years of service as General Secretary. The meeting discussed the matter and, while nothing definite was decided on it was unanimously agreed that a suitable presentation gift be provided with a maximum cost of 500€. The President and the General Secretary will follow up.

- 10** The President thanked the Delegates for their attendance and input and declared the meeting closed at 9.15pm



Rob Boutcher

IMSSU President



Hanna Lempola

IMSSU General Secretary