MINUTES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF EVAA
Zittau, (GER)

21st August 2012, City Hall of Zittau
09:00 h – 12:00 h

Present:
- EVAA Council
- Delegates of the EVAA Affiliates (Attachment: all countries listed with their respective number of delegates).
- Honorary Members of EVAA (Marina Hoernecke-Gil, Selma Türkkal, Wilhelm Köster)
- IMGA (President Kai Holm, General Secretary Jens Holm)
- IAAF Masters’ Committee (Cesar Moreno Bravo)
- IAAF Honorary Member (Ilse Bechthold)
- EAA (President Hansjörg Wirz, Vice-President Jean Gracia)
- WMA Council Members (Stan Perkins, Serge Beckers, Francesco de Feo)
- City of Zittau (Lord Mayor Arndt Voigt)
- LOC EVACS 2012 (President Horst Seifert)
- Dr. Richard Müller (EVAA Lawyer)

1. OPENING AND FORMALITIES

1.1 Opening of the General Assembly: at 9:00 h the EVAA President Dieter MASSIN welcomes the Honorary Members of the EVAA, the WMA Council Members, the delegates and guests. He wishes the General Assembly shall be a successful one.

Welcoming words from
Arndt Voigt, Lord Mayor of Zittau
Cesar Moreno Bravo, IAAF Masters’ Committee
Stan Perkins, WMA President
Hansjörg Wirz, EAA President
Dr. Matthias Reick, Vice-President of the German Athletic Federation (DLV)
are given.

Dieter MASSIN refers to the passing away of athletes and members of EVAA family, and calls the General Assembly for a minute's silence as a tribute to the work they have achieved for the Veteran Movement.

1.2 Approval of the Agenda: The Agenda is approved with no objections.

1.3 The General Assembly is confirmed to be properly called / Account of the entitled votes: the distribution of the complete information for the General Assembly to all Affiliates was done via e-mail, the internet and mail in accordance with the EVAA Constitution.
Dieter MASSIN announces that 71 delegates plus 4 Council Members will be voting. This results in the simple majority requiring 36 votes, and the 2/3 majority requiring 48 votes, 2/5 requiring 29 votes.
1.4 **Election of two (2) Delegates for the Certification of the Minutes**: the elected persons are Dr. Franz Kropik (AUT) an Kalle Glomsaker (NOR)

1.5 **Election of two (2) Scrutineers for the Ballots**: the elected are Josep Maria Antentas (ESP) and Wilhelm Köster (GER)

2. **RECEIPT OF THE REPORTS**

2.1 **Report of the President**: No comments and no questions.

2.2 **Report of the Vice-President**: No comments and no questions.

2.3 **Report of the Secretary**: No comments and no questions.

2.4 **Report of the acting Technical Director**: No comments and no questions

2.5 **Report of the Treasurer**: No comments and no questions

2.6 **Report of the Auditors**: No comments and no questions

3. **APPROVAL OF AND ABOUT THE REPORTS**

3.1 **Reports of the Council Members**: All reports are approved by the General Assembly.

3.2 **Report of the Auditors**: The report is approved by the General Assembly

3.2.1 **Election of two Auditors**: Serge Beckers (BEL), Oleg Khutenyuk (UKR)

3.2.2 **Election of one Deputy**: Margit Jungmann (GER)

**Decision:**
The Council is unanimously released by the General Assembly (GA).

4. **MODIFICATION OF THE STATUS**

4.1 **Proposal I**

**Change of the Constitution**

§ 7.3 **Conditions to be elected**

Only those persons may be appointed a member of the council who have been proposed in writing by the national association of which they are member, and who are domiciled in a country whose national association is a member of EVAA. Proposals for re-election of council members for the same office may also be made by the council.

The five (5) council members must belong to five (5) different nationalities.

**Reason:**

The democratic status of EVAA council must have the variety of members with a different nationality to ensure a balance among the council members.

**Voting**

The GA votes unanimously for the proposal.
4.2 Proposal II
Proposal by EVAA-Council, FiDAL (ITA) and PVAA (POL) to the General Assembly.

§ 3.12 Honorary Members
Upon recommendation by the Council the General Assembly may elect EVAA Honorary Life Members.

EVAA-Council recommends Dieter Massin (GER) as Honorary Life President of the European Veterans Athletic Association.

Reason:
Dieter Massin did an outstanding presidentialship during his ten (10) years 2002-2012 as President of EVAA and four (4) years 1998-2002 as Vice-President.

After Dieter Massin having left the room of the General Assembly, EAA President Hansjörg Wirz leads the voting for this proposal.

Voting:
The General Assembly votes by acclamation for the proposal.
Dieter Massin will be Honorary Life President of EVAA.

5. ELECTIONS

5.1 Election of EVAA President: Kurt Kaschke is elected EVAA President for the next term by acclamation of the General Assembly.

5.2 Election of EVAA Treasurer: Jean Thomas is elected Treasurer for the next term by acclamation of the General Assembly.

5.3 Election of EVAA Technical Director:
Speeches of Nicola Maggio (ITA), followed by René Hondelink (NED) and Maurice Doogan (BMAF)

First round: Nicola Maggio (44) – René Hondelink (15) – Maurice Doogan (12)

EVAA Technical Director for the next term will be Nicola Maggio (ITA).

5.4 Election of the secretary: Canan Köse (TUR) withdrew her nomination in writing.

Amendment:
Due to the fact that Kurt Kaschke took over the mandate as President of EVAA, his mandate as Secretary has also come to an end as per championship. This means early termination of his mandate as Secretary since the term would have ended in 2014.

Two candidates had been proposed for the mandate as Secretary, i.e. Canan Köse (nominated by TUR/TAF) and Nicola Maggio (nominated by ITA/FIDAL).

Shortly prior to the General Assembly, Canan Köse had withdrawn her candidature. Since Nicola Maggio was elected Technical Director a few minutes past, no candidate has remained for election.

On behalf of the Council, the President therefore proposed, with additional explanations of Dr. Richard Müller, to proceed in the same way as it had been done in the case of the vacated position of the Technical Director, Esa Kaihlajärvi, meaning that one of the other
Council members would take over the vacated position, however granting him the right to appoint an assistant for the daily work.

During the discussion, the British Association proposed to entrust René Hondelink with the duties of the leaving Secretary, given that René Honderlink had been prepared to join the Council as Technical Director and to contribute to the Council's work.

After further discussion and upon receipt of the declaration of René Hondelink to be prepared to accept an appointment, if any, to replace the leaving Secretary, the General Assembly – taking into account that the proposal was not in line with the Constitution of EVAA since (i) the nomination of René Hondelink had not been made at least 90 days prior to the general meeting as foreseen in Art. 6.3 Paragraph 1, (ii) the proposal was not a part of the invitation and agenda as foreseen in Art. 6.3 Paragraph 2, and (iii) the nomination had not been made by the national association of which the candidate is member – decided by acclamation to appoint René Hondelink Secretary and new member of the Council (secrétaire et membre du comité directeur) to take over the vacated position for the remaining duration of the ongoing term of the Secretary, i.e. until the General Assembly 2014.

For the good order's sake, this appointment shall be approved by the Council on the occasion of its next Council’s meeting as well as by the Dutch Association KNAU.

6. PRESENTATION OF EVAA NEXT CHAMPIONSHIPS

6.1 Presentation for Stadia Championships: City of Aarhus (DEN)

Finn Lyck and Egon Poulson invite the delegates to come to Aarhus 2017. The General Assembly votes for Aarhus by acclamation.

6.2 Interim State of EVAC (and presentations):

6.2.1 San Sebastian (ESP) invites the athletes to come to the Indoor Championships (EVACI 2013).

6.2.2 Úpice (CZE) invites the EVAA family to come to EVACNS 2013.

6.2.3 Izmir (TUR) invites the General Assembly to join the EVACS 2014.

6.2.4 Torún (POL) presented by Jerzy Krauze invites the athletes to EVACI 2015.

6.2.5 Porto Alegre (BRA) hosts the World Championships 2013 in Brazil.

7. VARIOUS INFORMATION

The British Masters Athletics Federation would like to ask Council for an explanation on the awarding of EVAA Championships.

Dieter Massin points out that a “Letter of Interest” is the first contact to EVAA. The next step is an official bidding of the national body and the hosting city as well, connected with an “Inspection Visit”. Clubs, Affiliates are not able to take the responsibility of European Championships alone. The main body has to be the City, the Regional Community, or the Government to make sure that the investment to prepare these Championships is on a solid financial base.

8. CLOSING

Stan Perkins takes the opportunity to close the General Assembly with warm words to Dieter
Massin, who will continue as Member of the Anti-Doping & Medical Committee of WMA. Kurt Kaschke is now Europe Regional Representative in WMA Council.

At 12:00 h Dieter Massin declares the General Assembly closed and thanks all European Federations for their co-operation.

Dieter MASSIN  
EVAA President

Kurt KASCHKE  
EVAA Secretary

Delegates for the Certification of the Minutes

Dr. Franz KROPIK  
Austria

Kalle GLOMSAKER  
Norway