

# MINUTES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF EVAA

## Nyíregyháza, Hungary

20<sup>th</sup> July 2010, College Campus  
09:00 h – 12:00 h

Present:

- EVAA Council
- Delegates of the EVAA Affiliates (Attachment: all countries listed with their respective number of delegates).
- Honouree Members of EVAA (Selma TÜRKKAL, Wilhelm KÖSTER, Winston THOMAS, Pekka KURKI)
- WMA Council Members (Stan PERKINS, Brian KEAVENEY, Serge BECKERS, Francesco DE FEO)
- Dr. MÜLLER (EVAA lawyer from Zug -SUI-), Hannu NURMINEN (FIN)

### 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, guests and observers. He wishes the General Assembly shall be a successful one.

Welcoming words from the LOC General Manager Csaba MÁTHE (HUN) and WMA President Stan PERKINS (AUS) 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.

Hannu NURMINEN (FIN) receives the "Torsten Carlus Fair Play Award 2009" for his outstanding organizing management during the World Championships in Lahti 2009. WMA President Stan PERKINS makes the speech of Hannu Nurminen's honour.

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 79 delegates plus 5 Council Members will be voting. This results in the simple majority requiring 43 votes, and the 2/3<sup>rd</sup> majority requiring 56 votes.

1.4 Election of two (2) Delegates for the Certification of the Minutes: the elected persons are Pia KEMPPAINEN-KAJOLA (FIN) and Kalle GLOMSAKER (NOR)

1.5 Election of two (2) Scrutineers for the Ballots: the elected are Nicola MAGGIO (ITA) and Vadim MARSHEV (RUS)

### 2. RECEIPT OF THE REPORTS

2.1 Report of the President: No comment and no questions.

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

2.3 Report of the Secretary: No comment and no questions.

2.4 Report of the Technical Director:

2.4.1 Date of birth should be changed in year of birth in the constitution. EVAA has to follow the constitution of WMA. To change the WMA constitution it is up to the federations to make a proposal for the General Assembly 2011 in Sacramento.

2.4.2 Decathlon should be presented for all age categories during the EVACS 2012.

2.4.3 Medal standard should be discussed among the European Federations.

2.5 Report of the Treasurer: No comment and no questions

2.6 Report of the Auditors: No comment 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

#### **Decision:**

The Council is unanimously released by the General Assembly.

### **4. MODIFICATION OF THE STATUS**

#### **4.1 Proposal I**

The British Masters Athletic Federation proposes that the Constitution at 7.2 be amended to read:

The Council should consist of seven (7) members

**Reason:** We feel that limiting the Council to five Officers is not sufficient to cover all events.

#### **Voting**

In favour for **30 votes** – against the proposal **40 votes** – abstentions **10 votes**, the proposal is rejected

#### **4.2 Proposal II**

##### **EVAA athletes residing outside their own country**

The British Masters Athletic Federation propose that, where applicable, EVAA Affiliates allow other EU citizens who are resident, or temporarily working in that country, to join their local athletic club and be accorded the same facilities as athletes of that country.

##### **Reason:**

It is our experience that athletes who are working in other EU countries for extended periods, or retired there, have very restricted access to national competitions and are not presented with an award when they win a major championship. Under current EU Rules, workers are allowed to seek employment in other EU countries and have equal Employment Rights. We would like to see this extended to Veteran Athletes.

##### **Recommendation**

It is a case of the national federations to open national championships and national athletic competitions in general to citizens of other countries. The General Assembly supports this proposal and demands the national federations to open their national championships to athletes of other countries.

## 5. ELECTIONS

- 5.1 Election of EVAA Vice President: The Greek delegate withdraws the candidature of Georgios CONSTANTOPOULOS (GRE). The Finish delegation withdraws the candidature of Reijo HÄYRINEN (FIN).  
Speeches of Jerzy KRAUZE (POL), followed by Arthur KIMBER (GBR&NI), and Martin ROALD-ARBØL (DEN).

First round: KIMBER (9) - KRAUZE (38) - ROALD-ARBØL (34)

Second round: KRAUZE (47) - ROALD-ARBØL (36)

EVAA Vice-President for the next four years will be Jerzy KRAUZE (POL).

- 5.2 Election of the secretary: Kurt KASCHKE (GER) is elected EVAA Secretary for the next four years by acclamation of the General Assembly.

## 6. PRESENTATION OF/QUESTIONS TO THE SITES OF FUTURE EVAA CHAMPIONSHIPS

- 6.1 Presentation for Stadia Championships: City of IZMIR (TUR) August 2014

Canan KÖSE (TUR), Yavuz TUNC (TUR) invites the delegates to come to IZMIR 2014.  
The General Assembly votes for IZMIR by acclamation.

- 6.2 Interim State of EVAC (and presentations):

- 6.2.1 GENT invites the athletes to come to GENT (BEL) 2011 to the Indoor Championships (EVACI 2011).

- 6.2.2 THIONVILLE/YUTZ invites the EVAA family to come to EVACNS 2011.

- 6.2.3 ZITTAU/BOGATYNIA/HRADEK invites the General Assembly to join the EVACS 2012

## 7. Various information

- 7.1 Serge Beckers points out that there are various writing forms of > Ghent, Gand, Gent.  
In further communication the name **Gent** will be used.

Vesa Lappalainen says thank you to the audience for the support during the last four years and he offers help in case of WMA affairs.

## 8. CLOSING

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



**Dieter MASSIN**  
EVAA President



**Kurt KASCHKE**  
EVAA Secretary

Delegates for the Certification of the Minutes

**Pia KEMPPAINEN-KAJOLA**  
Finland

**Kalle GLOMSAKER**  
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