

Minutes of WPSS Meeting Zurich – September 26, 2018

Meeting started at 15:45

Location: Berlin Room, Zurich, SUI.

Nations roll call:

ITA, SRB, SLO, AUS, CRO, SUI, GER, SVK, JPN, GBR, NED, USA, FRA, TUR, HUN, NOR, FRA, AZE, BRA, UAE, CAN.

Suspended delegate: AUT, present on meeting.

Guests:

- FIS Sub Committee Para Snow sports chair person
- Race Director – Alpine skiing
- Race Director – Snowboard
- Race Director – Nordic skiing (acting)
- World Cup OC Veysonnaz
- World Cup OC Dubai
- Plusport
- Rolestule fed

AGENDA Items discussion:

- Decision on Factor removal – Discussed
 - Classification Update
 - Alpine
 - VI
 - VI to be completed April 2019 – Setup Expert meeting for finalization of dialogue
 - Pull together feedback and present if possible to governing board June 2019
 - Implementation for 2019-20 season
 - Sitting Classes will follow in 2019-20
 - Finally Standing classes will follow
 - Snowboard
 - Research to begin 2018-19 and likely to take three years
- Goal is to bring classification research to closure for 2022 and implement for 2022-23 (avoiding an introduction during a Games year)

- Documents

- Alpine Complete under rules and regulations
- Snowboard Complete
- Nordic Complete

In all three, 2019-20 will reflect a number of legal changes in the 300 rules.

- Items to Review

- Check with Janez on equipment changes in FIS, and does this impact WPAS
- Check with Janez on F factor changes and how we apply such a change in WPAS
- If changes will be required post-Zurich, WPAS will send out changes to Nations

- Coach Advisory Group (CAG)

- Selection Process
- Voting process – at WC Finals (Potentially)
- Terms (presently 2-year terms), but can be four year or other
- Process document to be finalized and distributed, and added to the documents section
- Place Terms of Reference on the documents site in each discipline
- Stay with process as is for 2018-19, and consider change leading into new governance process for 2019-20
- Maximum 7 on CAG in each discipline, to be selected by STC out of nominated pool
- Extend nomination ask for all three disciplines (to October 1, 2018)

- Update to Austrian Proposal to FIS

- Austria withdrew proposal
- FIS solidified agreement between FIS and IPC, but not interested in taking on snowsports from IPC
- WPSS Race Directors are now open to work with FIS Pros as resources available to them
- New FIS/IPC agreement will be completed in 2019 (Previous agreements were 2011 and 2003)

- Alpine and Snowboard Calendar Next Steps in Planning Process

- Race Directors are the point of contact for building the long-term calendars for the disciplines
- June 2019 will have the calendar proposal up to 2023 (presently done for Nordic), would like to see the same approach for alpine and snowboard
- Longer term approach in looking at all continents, and spreading out options over a quadrennial period

- Planning for Nations Meeting June 1-2 (Croatia/Serbia)
 - Prepare in advance including advance CAG advance calls

- Other questions
 - Short Stature response
 - Ozzie to contact Hans to provide explanation of decision

 - Where does consideration of deaf and Intellectual Disability
 - Intellectual disability is a consideration moving forward; Requires further research and details of expectation
 - Deaf is not being considered

 - New disciplines
 - Skier Cross Consideration – Under discussion
 - Team Events – Week of October 1 plan to be circulated

 - Distribution of calculation process for Paralympic Slots, including timing of slot selection process

Note: Minutes of NPC Switzerland (with some invited Nations) and IPC CEO meeting to be distributed to Nations once received from NPC SUI.

Meeting adjourned 19:00