



Minutes

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Meeting	EEF General Assembly
Date	28 October 2020
Time	14:00 - 16:00
Location	Online (Zoom/Lumi)
Chair	Theo Ploegmakers
Minutes	Carina Mayer

Pt.	Topic	Speaker	Annex
1	Welcome & Introduction by the President	TP	
2	Quorum	CM	
3	Appointment of Scrutineers	CM	
4	Approval of the Agenda	CM	X
5	Membership (affiliation, suspension, exclusion) - Jumping Owners Club (affiliation)	TP	
6	Approval of 2019 General Assembly Minutes in Bucharest (ROU)	CM	X
7	Report of the Board & Report of the EEF Working Groups/Committees	TP	X
8	Financial Report 2019/2020	AÖ	X
9	Release of the Board and Secretary General for 2019 and January to June 2020	CM	
10	Budget for 2020/2021	AÖ	X
11	Appointment of EEF Auditors	CM	
12	Approval of EEF Honorary Board Member: Andrew Finding (GBR)	TP	
13	2021 Longines EEF Series in Jumping	EO	
14	Brotherhood	TP/CM	X
15	The future of Reining	TP	
16	Elections - EEF Board Member: Athlete representative	CM	X



	- Chair of the EEF EU-Committee		
17	Any other business	CM	
18	Closing	TP	



Attendance List

EEF Board

Theo Ploegmakers	President
Armagan Özgörkey	1 st Vice President
Ulf Helgstrand	2 nd Vice President
Quentin Simonet	Board Member
George Dimaras	Board Member
Soenke Lauterbach	Board Member
Eleonora Ottaviani	Board Member & IJRC
Nayla Stössel	Board Member
Carina Mayer	Secretary General

NFs Present

Dietrich Sifkovits	AUT
Richard Berger	AUT
Wendy Laeremans	BEL
Kroum Rachkov	BUL
Teodor Sheytanov	BUL
Bohumil Rejnek	CZE
Jiří Strejček	CZE
Ulf Helgstrand	DEN
Morten Schram Rodtwitt	DEN
Venancio Garcia	ESP
Daniel Fenaux	ESP
Marti Hääl	EST
Jukka Koivisto	FIN
Quentin Simonet	FRA
Catherine Bonnichon de Rancourt	FRA
Iain Graham	GBR
Soenke Lauterbach	GER
George Dimaras	GRE
Dorottya Strobl	HUN
Joe Reynolds	IRL
Avalon Everett	IRL



Ken Lalo	ISR
Amichai Alperovich	ISR
Andrea White	ITA
Simone Perillo	ITA
Gintare Sakyte	LTU
Marco Danese	MON
Iris Boelhouver	NED
Hidde Frankena	NED
Tore Sannum	NOR
Beate Heieren Hundhammer	NOR
Lukasz Jankowski	POL
Antonio Frutuoso de Melo	POR
Polona Rifelj	SLO
Rod Vadnjal	SLO
Sergio Michelotti	SMR
Sandra Wiedmer	SUI
Zuzana Baciak Masarykova	SVK
Annika Tjernström	SWE
Ulf Brömster	SWE
Atif Bülent Bora	TUR
Murat Batur	TUR
Iuliia Parkhomenko	UKR

NFs by Proxy

None

Associated Members

Thomas Baur	IEOA
Laura Borromeo	IJRC
Willem Luiten	IJOC

EEF Guests

Urs Schiendorfer	LONGINES
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Ingmar De Vos
Sabrina Ibanez
Andrew Finding
Alan Andabaka
Paul Khan
Xavier Boudon
Ronan Murphy
Mike Etherington-Smith

FEI
FEI
EEF Honorary Board Member
Chair BEC
EMHF
JOC
EEF EU-Committee
Chair EEF Eventing Working Group

1	<p>Welcome & Introduction by the President</p> <p>The President opens the General Assembly and welcomes the delegates.</p> <p>He highlights this special edition of a General Assembly which is hosted online for the very first time. Special gratitude is extended to the President and Secretary General of the Austrian National Federation who had already made all necessary arrangements for an in-person EEF General Assembly in Vienna before the Covid-19 pandemic forced the EEF Board to hold this General Assembly online instead.</p>
2	<p>Quorum</p> <p>A two-thirds quorum is reached with 29 National Federations (NFs) represented. (The EEF has a total of 38 member NFs.)</p>
3	<p>Appointment of Scrutineers</p> <p>The General Assembly appoints the scrutineers for the General Assembly as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jukka Koivisto (FIN) - Jiri Strejcek (CZE)
4	<p>Approval of the Agenda</p> <p>The General Assembly approves the agenda for the General Assembly.</p>
5	<p>Membership (affiliation, suspension, exclusion)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jumping Owners Club (affiliation) - LAT NF (temporary suspension) - Euro Pony Club (temporary suspension) <p>The General Assembly approves the affiliation request of the Jumping Owners Club (JOC) who wishes to join the EEF as an Associated Member Organization.</p> <p>The General Assembly approves the temporary suspension of the LAT NF and the Euro Pony Club due to non-payment of membership fees. As soon as the outstanding membership fees will be paid, the respective NF / associated member will be reinstated as an EEF member again.</p>
6	<p>Approval of 2019 General Assembly Minutes (Bucharest, ROU)</p>

	The minutes of the 2019 EEF General Assembly held in Bucharest (ROU) are approved. No comments are made.
7	Report of the Board & Report of the EEF Working Groups / Committees The General Assembly approves the Report of the Board and the Report of the Working Groups / Committees. No comments are made.
8	Financial Report 2019/2020 The General Assembly approves the financial report of the year 2019/2020. The report had previously also been approved by the EEF internal auditors Maarten van der Heijden (NED) and Miklos Jarmy (HUN).
9	Release of the Board and Secretary General for 2019 and Jan-June 2020 The General Assembly releases the EEF Board and Secretary General for the year 2019 and Jan-June 2020.
10	Budget for 2020/2021 The General Assembly approves the budget for 2020/2021.
11	Appointment of EEF Auditors The General Assembly appoints Andrea White (ITA) and Miklos Jarmy (HUN) as auditors for the 2020/21 EEF financial accounts.
12	Approval of EEF Honorary Board Member: - Andrew Finding (GBR) The President's laudatio highlights the many contributions and achievements of Andrew Finding as a founding member of the EEF, from the day of the EEF's foundation to the end of Andrew's maximum term of 12 years served on the EEF Board. As a token of the EEF's appreciation of Andrew's exceptional service to the EEF, the General Assembly unanimously approves him as an EEF Honorary Board Member.
13	2021 Longines EEF Series Eleonora Ottaviani presents the locations of qualifiers, semi-finals and the final of the 2021 Longines EEF Series, including the respective dates. Also the composition of the regional groups is displayed.

<p>14</p>	<p>Brotherhood</p> <p>Following the President’s explanation on the need of a new Brotherhood concept, the General Assembly approves the revised concept for the EEF Brotherhood program. The EEF welcomes the President of the ROU NF, Marilena Mladin, and the President of the NOR NF, Tore Sannum, as new members of the Brotherhood working group. No further questions are raised.</p>
<p>15</p>	<p>The future of Reining</p> <p>The President refers to the annex that had been submitted to the General Assembly delegates ahead of the meeting which provides an executive summary of the future of Reining in the FEI. No questions related to this document are raised.</p>
<p>16</p>	<p>Elections</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Board Member (Athlete Representative) - Chair of the EEF EU-Committee <p>The General Assembly approves Eleonora Ottaviani as the Athlete representative on the EEF Board for the term 2020-2024. She receives 27 votes in favor and 0 votes against her appointment.</p> <p>The General Assembly elects Ronan Murphy as Chair of the permanent EEF EU-Committee for the term 2020-2024. He receives 25 votes in favor and 1 vote against his appointment. Carina Mayer emphasizes that Ronan has recently left his position as Secretary General at the IRL NF and is thus no longer representing the IRL NF. He will therefore act in a private capacity as Chair of the EEF EU-Committee which is acceptable for the IRL NF.</p> <p>The President bids farewell to Bo Helander who acted as Chair of the EEF EU-Committee since its foundation and who is now stepping down for health reasons. In the name of the entire EEF Board the President thanks Bo for his countless contributions to the EEF and asks the SWE NF to convey the EEF’s very best wishes to Bo who is unfortunately not attending this online General Assembly.</p>
<p>17</p>	<p>Any other business</p> <p>17.1 Items raised by the ESP NF</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - FEI Endurance Rules - (Endurance) European Championships - European License to compete in Europe

	<p>The delegates of the ESP NF present the three items listed above which will be submitted to the EEF Strategic Planning Working Group and EEF Endurance Working Group for detailed discussion.</p> <p>17.2 Item raised by SWE NF The Secretary General of the SWE NF asks for an update on the current status of the EU Animal Health Law discussions and other items of the EU-Committee. Ronan Murphy provides the requested update and will lead the next steps in the EU-Committee in his newly elected role.</p> <p>17.3 Item raised by AUT NF The Secretary General of the AUT NF informs the General Assembly that his NF is in full support of the petition that has been initiated by the IDRC with regards to allowing senior riders at the top level to choose between the top hat and the helmet. The General Assembly takes note of the Austrian statement, no further comments are made.</p>
18	<p>Closing</p> <p>The President thanks the delegates for their attendance of this General Assembly and their cooperation in the context of this online edition.</p> <p>Hoping that 2021 will be a more normal year again, the EEF will be working on several important projects, namely the EEF strategy, the Longines EEF Series, Olympic qualifications for Paris 2024, EU related matters and a continued close communication with its members. The President provides a summary of all these subjects and reiterates that the EEF Board is looking forward to an active year in 2021 and a close cooperation with the FEI.</p> <p>The meeting is closed at 15h45.</p>