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# VII ITU CONGRESS MINUTES

FRIDAY 25TH NOVEMBER 1994  
PLAZA INTERNATIONAL HOTEL, WELLINGTON,  
NEW ZEALAND

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** ITU President Les McDonald called the 6th Congress to order at 9:00 a.m., with the following present.

**ITU Executive Board members**

Les McDonald, President  
Mark Sisson, Treasurer  
Didier Lehenaff, Secretary

Phil Briars  
Marisol Casado  
Brian Hinton  
Kevin Nel

**ITU Council Members**

**IOC members (3)**

- Mr Philip Coles (AUS)
- Mr Chiharu Igaya (JPN)
- Mr Tay Wilson (NZL)

**Delegates from the following NGB's**

Australia  
Austria  
Brazil  
Britain  
Bulgaria  
Canada  
Czech Republic  
Denmark  
Fiji  
France  
Germany  
Hungary

India  
Israel  
Italy  
Japan  
Luxembourg  
Malaysia  
Mexico  
Netherlands  
New Zealand  
Norfolk Island  
Norway  
Romania

Russia  
South Africa  
Spain  
Sweden  
Switzerland  
Tahiti  
USA  
Yugoslavia

2. **WELCOME:** Mr Peter Fitzsimmons, President of Triathlon New Zealand welcomed all nations to the Congress and the 1995 World Championships.

3. **ROLE CALL OF AFFILIATED NGBs AND ADMISSION OF NEW AFFILIATES:**  
NGBs as listed above were officials accepted by Henning Mueller on behalf of the Credentials Committee. Malaysia was welcomed as the most recent NGB to affiliate to ITU.
4. **APPOINTMENT OF THREE (3) SCRUTINEERS**
  - a) Ms Irene Charurukus (MAS)
  - b) Prof. Joao Calazans Filho (BRA)
  - c) Steve Locke (USA)
5. **APPOINTMENT OF THREE (3) TELLERS**
  - a) Peter Fitzsimmons (NZL)
  - b) Samu Tupou (FIJ)
  - c) Soren Kjaer (DEN)
6. **ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST CONGRESS** Accepted
7. **REPORT OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE:** Steve Locke (USA) confirmed the report to have been reviewed and found to be in order.
8. **ADOPTION OF ANNUAL BUDGET:** The report was deferred so copies of the 93-94 Budget and 94-95 draft budget could be made available later in day.
9. **INTRODUCTION OF IOC MEMBERS PRESENT:**
  - a) Phillip Coles (AUS) welcomed ITU to the IOC family. He provided an overview of the Sydney Organising Committee for the Olympic Games (SOCOG) progress report. He suggested NGBs contact their NOCs for membership (with full voting rights entitlement post-Atlanta). There is a possibility of solidarity funds (especially to developing countries) through NOC. All transportation of athletes and equipment for 2000 to be met by SOCOG. In return ITU has the responsibility to live up to the requirements of the Olympic Charter.
  - b) Mr Chiharu Igaya (JPN) acknowledged the work done by ITU President Les McDonald, the NGBs, and the Athletes for successful Olympic recognition. He warned us about the need to be aware of the provisional status of triathlon on Olympic programme.
  - c) Mr Tay Wilson (NZL) welcomed the ITU delegates to New Zealand. He warned of need to follow the rules of the 3 disciplines, to ensure a place in Olympics.

## **10. REPORT ON THE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS**

### **a) TRIATHLON**

- i) **1994 World Championships: New Zealand:** report by Arthur Klap
- (ii) **1995 World Championships, Cancun, Mexico:** report by Sergio Mucino
  - Scheduled date: Nov. 11: age group and juniors, Nov. 12 Elite/pro
  - swim: in large lagoon
  - cycle and run: flat, lap, course
- (iii) **1995 World Championships, Cleveland, USA :** report by Jack Caress
  - Scheduled date: Aug. 24 - Elite/pro, Aug. 25 - age group
  - 10th year of race
  - \$150k prize money
  - Elite course: laps
  - Bulletin on Internet from January 1, 1995
  - Quarterly newsletter
- (iv) **1997 World Championships:** Discussions with Switzerland still taking place. The contract has not been signed.

### **b) DUATHLON**

- (i) 1995: tentatively in Switzerland, no contract yet
- (ii) 1996: no bids yet
- (iii) 1997: bids have been received from Hungary, Spain & Italy

### **c) TRIATHLON LONG DISTANCE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS**

- (i) 1996: German bid withdrawn
- (ii) 1997: bids have been received by USA and Fiji

## **11. REPORTS AND RESOLUTIONS FROM THE EXECUTIVE BOARD**

**President's Report:** The ITU President, Les McDonald handed the Chair to Michael Gilmore. The President's report as per paper tabled included the following:

- need for UNITY
- awareness of provisional status in the 2000 Olympic Games
- importance of 3 pillars of ITU: (NGBs, Athletes, Event Organizers)
- importance of local Organising Committees
- need to remain drug free

The President's Report was accepted by acclamation.

The Chair was handed to Mark Sisson to introduce resolutions of Executive Board.

**Resolution 1:** That a position on the Executive Board be created specifically to represent women. Candidates will be nominated by their National Federation and elected by Congress, The provision of the Constitution 5.5 b) shall not prevail, i.e.,

" not more than three (3) representatives from the same region, and not more than two(2) representations from the same country shall be elected to the ITU Executive Board."

Moved Executive Board, seconded, USA (Steve Locke)

**CARRIED**

**Resolution 2:** That the seven (7) person Women's Committee be elected at Congress, with nominations by their National Federation, as per other standing committees. (Note: Upon approval of this motion, an election for the 7 person Women's Committee will be conducted. This process was not followed at the 1993 Congress.)

Moved Executive Board, seconded, Canada (Bill Hallett)

**CARRIED**

**Resolution 3:** That prize money at ITU sanctioned events will be paid directly to the athletes.

Moved Executive Board, seconded, Denmark (Finn Jahnsen)

**CARRIED**

**Resolution 4:** That the Long Distance World Championships will be held every 2 years, on the even years.

Moved Executive Board, seconded, Fiji (Samu Tupou)

**CARRIED**

**Resolution 5:** That the appointment of Mike Gilmore as the ITU Marketing Director be approved.

Moved Executive Board, seconded, Germany (Henning Mueller)

**Discussion:**

- Mark Sisson outlined the duties of the Marketing Director and the length of the contract (2 year, with cancellation clause)

**CARRIED**

**Resolution 6:** That the awarding of an ITU event is not confirmed until a contract has been negotiated and signed between the National Federation, the local organising committee (LOC) and ITU. And further, that if a contract has not been signed by the parties within one year, prior to the proposed event date, the Executive Board has the right to withdraw the award and solicit an alternative bid.

Moved Executive Board, seconded, Canada (Dave Rudd)

**Discussion:**

- Phil Briars (NZL) spoke in support of the motion emphasizing the need for forward planning for athletes, TV and sponsors.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution 7:** That a new Commission be formed of "Coaching, Youth and Education" and further that this Commission shall have seven (7) members, and shall be selected by the Executive Board, upon nomination by National Federations.

Moved Executive Board, seconded, USA (Steve Locke)

Discussion:

- Didier Lehenaff (FRA) spoke in support of the motion. He emphasized the need for an education programme for coaches and athletes.
- The Executive Board proposed the following as appointments to this Commission:
  1. Dr. M. Englehardt (GER)
  2. Emery Holmik (AUS)
  3. Claude Meyer (FRA)
  4. Barrie Shepley (CAN).
  5. Steve Trew (GBR)
  6. Michael Thoren (SWE)
  7. Don Dougherty (USA)

**CARRIED**

**Resolution 8:** That the Information Committee be disbanded and the task of disseminating information be the responsibility of the Marketing Director and the ITU Headquarters.

Moved Executive Board, seconded, Canada (Dave Rudd)

Discussion:

- Michael Gilmore spoke in support of the motion and suggested future utilization of the Sydney office of Phil Coles as an information outlet.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution 9:** That the Audit Committee be disbanded and replaced by a professional chartered accountant.

**WITHDRAWN:** The resolution was withdrawn by the Executive Board. The Audit Committee will be retained as an advisory body to the ITU Treasurer.

**Resolution 10:** That amendments to the ITU Constitution must be submitted to the Constitution Committee who will make recommendations to the Executive Board for submission to Congress.

Moved Executive Board, seconded, South Africa (Colin McAll)

Discussion:

- Concern was expressed regarding the lack of knowledge about submissions which did not pass the Executive Board.
- Peter Fitzsimmons (NZL) moved the following amendment to the resolution, "and it is a further requirement of the Executive Board to report the fate of all resolutions to Congress". Seconded Britain (Andrew McBarnet)

**AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION CARRIED**

The Amended Resolution was put to Congress. Netherlands (Joop van Zanten) requested formal vote.

**CARRIED AS AMENDED**

**Resolution 11:** That amendments to the ITU Competition Rules and Operation Manual must be submitted to the Technical Committee who will make recommendations to the Executive Board for submission to Congress.

Moved by the Executive Board with the same amendment as attached to Resolution 10, seconded, Canada (Dave Rudd)

**CARRIED AS AMENDED**

**Resolution 12:** That amendments to the ITU Doping Control Rules and Medical Care Guidelines must be submitted to the Medical Committee who will make recommendations to the Executive Board for submission to Congress.

Moved by the Executive Board with the same amendment as attached to Resolution 10, seconded, Fiji (Samu Tupou)

**CARRIED AS AMENDED**

**Resolution 13:** That amendments to the ITU Manual which affect Duathlon must be submitted to the Duathlon Committee who will make recommendations to the Executive Board for submission to Congress.

Moved by the Executive Board with the same amendment as attached to Resolution 10, seconded, South Africa (Colin McAll)

**CARRIED AS AMENDED**

**Resolution 14:** That nominations for all standing committees be the same as the Executive Board, 60 days in advance of Congress, with nomination forms signed by the President and Secretary of the nominating National Federation.

Moved Executive Board, seconded, Fiji (Samu Tupou)

**Discussion:**

- Brian Hinton (Executive Board) spoke in support of the motion.
- Suzanne Baur (GER) questioned the possibility of multiple nominations from an NGB for a single position.
- Les McDonald in reply noted that the NGB must choose 1 candidate only.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution 15:** That all National Federations accept ITU accredited elite/pro athletes licenses at no cost, with the right of the accredited athletes to compete without surcharge.

Moved Executive Board, seconded, Australia (Bill Walker)

**Discussion:**

- Phil Briars (Executive Board) spoke in support of the motion.
- Bill Hallett (CAN) requested a clarification of the criteria for "elite" classification.
- Michael Gilmore noted that once Congress approves this resolution, criteria can then be decided.
- Colin McAll (RSA) asked if the ruling would apply to all NGB events.

- Mark Sisson replied that it would apply to all NGB events which allowed foreign competitors.
- Rami Ramachandran (IND) expressed concern for the position of weaker regional athletes.
- Brian Hinton (Executive Board) spoke in support of the motion.
- Steve Locke (USA) asked whether the card would cover insurance costs.
- Mark Sisson replied that it would.

**CARRIED**

- Didier Lehenaff (Executive Board) protested stating that the vote was premature, and that there were translation difficulties. Didier Lehenaff (Executive Board) then spoke against the motion. He stated disagreement with international licenses being used at domestic races.
- Steve Locke (USA) noted logistics problem with signing of waiver.
- Mark Sisson (Executive Board), in reply noted that athletes would still be required to sign waiver, but that NGBs would pay insurance fee.
- Henning Mueller (GER) stressed importance of knowing criteria for 'elite'.
- Brian Hinton (Executive Board) proposed that the technical committee be given the task of establishing the criteria for 'elite' classification.

The question was called. The Chair was in doubt of voting result, so a carded vote was called.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution 16:** That National Federations who refuse to accept the principle of reciprocal athletes/cards be subject to suspension until they conform.

Moved Executive Board, seconded, New Zealand (Peter Fitzsimmons)

**Discussion:**

- Andrew McBarnet (Britain) spoke against the motion stating that it was not reasonable to implement this motion before a criteria for the "elite/pro" license was defined.

**RESOLUTION WITHDRAWN:** The Executive Board agreed to withdraw the resolution.

**Resolution 17:** That the affiliation fee for National Federations to affiliate with ITU for 1995 be the same as 1994 - \$0.00 (zero).

Moved Executive Board, seconded, South Africa (Kevin Nel)

**CARRIED**

**Resolution 18:** That Executive Board members will not be the race directors of ITU World Championship events.

Moved Executive Board, seconded, Canada (Dave Rudd)

**CARRIED**

**Resolution 19:** That elected officers/directors cannot be less than 18 years of age, must be individuals, and must have the power under law to contract.

Moved Executive Board, seconded, New Zealand (Peter Fitzsimmons)

**CARRIED**

**Resolution 20:** That National Federations be urged to create immediately an arbitration process for athletes appeals, based on the following basic principles:

1. Athletes have the right to an arbitration hearing with an advocate of their own choice.
2. The National Federation will also have an advocate of their own choice.
3. A third party will be named, agreeable to both parties.
4. An athlete should have the "opportunity" to participate in competitions, not the "right".
5. National Federations will create a National Arbitration Waiver for athletes to sign.
6. Note: Civil courts will always support the claim of the athlete if due process was not seen to be done in the National Appeal/Arbitration process.

Moved Executive Board, seconded, Canada (Bill Hallett)

**Discussion:**

- Steve Locke (USA) questioned the wording in point #4, i.e., 'opportunity', not 'right'.
- Les McDonald, ITU President responded stating that the wording was identical to that in the USOC Charter.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution 21:** That ITU is opposed to gender verification testing.

Moved Executive Board, seconded, South Africa (Kevin Nel)

**Discussion:**

- Congress was addressed on the subject by Ms Lise Jahnsen (DEN) on behalf of the Women's Committee. The Women's Committee will send a letter on this matter to the chairman of the IOC Medical Commission.

**CARRIED**

**The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12:30 p.m.**

**The meeting resumed at 1:30 p.m.**

## **12. REPORT ON 1995 DUATHLON WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS:**

Brian Hinton (AUS) reported on the 1995 Duathlon World Championships, held in Hobart, Australia on November 20, 1994. The event was reported as being very fair and well run. Results were distributed. A special thanks went to David Rudd and Michael Gilmore for the important role they played in making the event a success.



### **13. REPORT ON THE 1994 LONG DISTANCE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS:**

Didier Lehenaff (FRA) reported on the 1st Long Distance Triathlon World Championships in Nice, France, June 26, 1994. It was technically very challenging due to extreme weather conditions. Event participation was very successful with 1800 competitors from 49 countries.

### **14. RESOLUTIONS FROM THE EXECUTIVE BOARD CONTINUED:**

**Resolution 22:** Whereas the titles World Championships and World Cup are awarded by the International Federation, ITU, therefore be it resolved that ITU request of the Ironman Company, Florida, USA, that they cease using the "self-declared" title, "Triathlon World Championships."

Moved Executive Board, seconded, Denmark (Lise Jahnsen)

#### **Discussion:**

- Brian Hinton (AUS) spoke in support of the motion, emphasizing the contractual rights of ITU.
- Steven Locke (USA) noted financial implications for TriFed/USA if they were required to cease sanctioning the Ironman and ban participation by USA athletes.

#### **CARRIED**

**Resolution 23:** That National Federations must submit all doping control results to the ITU Headquarters, within 14 days of receipt from the accredited IOC laboratory, complete with athletes names. In the case of positive tests, the name of the banned substance must also be included.

Moved Executive Board, seconded, Czechoslovakia (Pavel Koran)

#### **CARRIED**

**Resolution 24:** That National Federations who do not abide by the ITU/IOC regulations on doping control will be suspended until they do so.

Moved Executive Board, seconded, Denmark (Finn Jahnsen)

#### **Discussion:**

- Lori Cameron (Women's Committee) stated that we must insist on same sex observers for urine testing.

#### **CARRIED**

**Resolution 25:** That Congress supports the decision of the Executive Board concerning the "self-declared" Gold Coast Australia World Cup 1994 as unacceptable, and that elite/pro athletes who participated in the "self-declared" World Cup be suspended from all ITU events up to December 31, 1994. And further, that if the event promoter proceeds to do so again in 1995, that the Executive Board be instructed to take further action of a similar nature, if circumstances justify.

**WITHDRAWN:** The resolution was withdrawn by the Executive Board due to the agreement met on name change with the organiser, and the elimination of the title "World Cup".

**Resolution 26:** That Congress send a vote of thanks to Mr Julius Skamen, Mountainman Triathlon, Austria, for agreeing to cease using the "self-declared title "World Cup" and "World Championships" in the title of his event.

Moved Executive Board, seconded, Fiji (Samu Tupou)

**CARRIED**

**Resolution 34:** That ITU seriously explore the possibility of conducting out-of-season random doping control tests world-wide in the future. (Germany)

Moved Germany (Henning Mueller), seconded, New Zealand (Peter Fitzsimmons)

**Discussion:**

- Henning Mueller (GER) spoke in favour of the motion, emphasizing that the proposal would be from 1996 onward, and would involve testing a number of top placed athletes at World Cup and World Championship level. The number to be tested is yet to be decided. Sponsorship will be acquired for this initiative, and IAAF have offered to share the existing system currently in use. A request will be put to the IOC for funding.
- Bernie Stefan (Medical Committee) also spoke in favour of the motion, requesting that NGBs return their questionnaires regarding existing dope testing.
- Phil Coles (IOC) noted random testing by ASDA is available in Australia under international agreement and by request of NGBs.

**CARRIED**

## **15. RESOLUTIONS FROM TECHNICAL COMMITTEE**

The President handed meeting to Technical Committee: Chair: Ms Loreen Barnett and committee members: Masao Nakayama (JPN), John Ison (AUS), Sergio Mucino (MEX), Soren Kjaer (DEN)

**The Chair:**

- thanked Michael Gilmore for tremendous assistance which he provided on technical matters at ITU events
- outlined role of technical committee
- requested that NGB's distribute technical manuals to athletes and officials.
- outlined how technical committee members from each region are responsible for assigning technical staff to events

**Resolution 27:** That contrived or intentional ties by elite/pro athletes **and junior athletes** in ITU sanctioned events will result in the disqualification of the athletes.

Moved Technical Committee (with amendment high-lighted above,) seconded, South Africa (Kevin Nel)

**CARRIED**

**Resolution 28:** That wetsuits will be forbidden at or above 21<sup>o</sup> C at World Cup events for elite/pro athletes at the Olympic Distance.

Moved Technical Committee, seconded, Canada (Patrice Brunet)

**Discussion:**

- Loreen Barnett spoke in support of the motion stating that following discussion with the Medical Committee, the Technical Committee had concluded that the research done on a safe temperature for non-wetsuit swims created some doubt about the original 20<sup>o</sup>C, but that both committees felt that 21<sup>o</sup>C was a safe temperature for elite athletes who are only in the water for under 20 minutes.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution 29:** That the experiment with lap courses in swim, bike and run, and the drafting rule in World Cup events be continued as part of the modernization of Triathlon.

Moved Technical Committee, seconded, Canada (Dave Rudd)

**Discussion:**

- Loreen Barnett spoke in favour of the motion emphasizing that the 'experiment' is for 'elite' athletes only, and no one is considering altering the rule for juniors or age group athletes.
- Wes Hobson (USA) spoke against the motion.
- Karen Smyers (USA) spoke against the motion.
- Dave Rudd spoke in favour of the motion emphasizing the need for triathletes to improve their cycling skills.
- Kevin Nel (RSA) and Phil Briars (NZL) spoke for motion emphasizing the need for sport to modernize.
- Peter Bolls (Regional Representative for Europe) spoke against the motion emphasizing that we should not have different rules for 'elite' and age groupers, and that there would be no such races in Europe because the authorities would not allow them.
- Loreen Barnett, Chair, noted that different rules for elite and age groupers already exists.
- Phil Coles (IOC) noted that IOC members believed Triathlon would operate under existing rules of the 3 sports, i.e., cycle road racing rules for the cycle section.
- Chiharu Igaya (IOC) noted that because of provisional Olympic status, ITU needs to remain progressive and spectator and television friendly.
- Don Dougherty (USA) suggested NGBs should start instructional classes for athletes in cycling strategy and tactics.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution 30:** Whereas safety and equity are the factors which determine the size, make-up and start order of the wave starts in Triathlons, and whereas spectator and television interests are important, therefore be it resolved that h) and i) be added to Section V.2 of the ITU Operations Manual to state:

**Part 1: h)**

"Entry into the elite/pro wave at the World Championships will be determined by:

- (i) Top 20 from the current Triathlon World Cup Series
- (ii) Top 50 or 8%, by time, of previous World Championships, whichever is less.  
The NGB will be given this number of places in the wave.
- (iii) Confirm quota of 3 athletes per region
- (iv) 6 wild cards to be determined by the ITU Technical Committee
- (v) Top 10 juniors from previous World Championship (final year in juniors)
- vi) The top 5 teams at the previous World Championships are entitled to an extra two (2) spots in the first wave, provided that they have not already qualified six (6) athletes under the first five (5) criteria.

This will ensure that a maximum of 75 athletes will be in the first wave. All other entries will be in a second wave which will start five (5) minutes after the first wave. This applies to both elite/pro men and women."

Moved Technical Committee, following extensive discussion about the original resolution at the ITU Council Meeting, it was decided that the resolution be amended to focus on the criteria for entry into the elite wave at World Championships only. The amended version of the motion is stated above, seconded, USA (Don Dougherty)

**Discussion:**

- Germany proposed elimination of criteria
- Didier Lehenaff (FRA) proposed the following amendment: "vi) The top 5 teams at the previous World Championships are entitled to an extra two (2) spots in the first wave, provided that they have not already qualified six (6) athletes under the first five (5) criteria. Seconded Don Dougherty (USA).

**AMENDMENT CARRIED**

- Peter Boll [Regional Representative, Europe) requested that all slots be allotted to the regions. Steve Locke (USA), Barrie Shepley (CAN), Kevin Nel (RSA) and Rami Ramachandran (IND) spoke against having the regions decide rather than NGBs. Peter Boll (Europe) moved the following amendment "that 20 slots be given to ITU and that 5 x 6 slots (30) be given to the regions,"seconded Marisol Casado (Executive Board)

**AMENDMENT DEFEATED**

- Didier Lehenaff (FRA) moved the following amendment to the resolution: (ii) to read: that the word "whichever is less", seconded Germany (Henning Mueller)
- AMENDMENT CARRIED**

- Didier Lehenaff (FRA) moved the following amendment to Resolution 30 to read: "this new selection criteria to be deferred until 1996", seconded Netherlands (Joop van Zanten)

**AMENDMENT DEFEATED**

**CARRIED** Resolution 30: Part 1 h) as amended and stated above.

**Resolution 30:** Part 2 i)

"Entry into the junior wave at the World Championships will be determined by:

- (i) Top 50 or 8%, by time, of previous World Championships, **whichever is less.**  
The NGB will be given this number of places in the wave.
- (ii) Confirm quota of 3 athletes per region
- (iii) 6 wild spots to be determined by the ITU Technical Committee
- (iv) **The top 5 teams at the previous World Championships are entitled to an extra two (2) spots in the first wave, provided that they have not already qualified six (6) athletes under the first five (5) criteria.**

This will ensure that a maximum of 75 junior athletes will be in the first wave. All other entries will be in a second wave which will start five (5) minutes after the first wave. This applies to both junior men and women."

Moved Technical Committee, seconded Denmark (Lise Jahnsen)

**CARRIED**

Lise Jahnsen, Women's Committee, addressed Congress on the results of the Wave Start Study conducted by the Women's Committee. Data from the study will be taken into account when the matter is considered further.

The remainder of items in the original Resolution 30 were referred back to the Technical Committee for further study.

**Resolution 32: ITU Media Policy:** Whereas the role of the media is of great importance to the success of ITU competitions, therefore be it resolved that the following be added to Section XVI of the Operations Manual: The ITU Media Guide addresses the minimum media requirements. It is a benefit to the sport and the event Organising Committee to have an event structured in a way that all aspects of the media are supported during event week and the competition.

1. **General:** All ITU events have agreed by contract to abide by ITU rules and policies.
2. **Objectives:** ITU Media Policy has been developed with three objectives:
  - a) To ensure the safety of athletes, before, during and after competition;
  - b) To ensure fairness of the competition.
  - c) To offer members of the media access to observe the competition for accurate reporting and photography.

3. Accreditation:

- a) Accreditation will be established at all ITU events to allow primary access to the broadest media, i.e., international television crews, with secondary level for local press and vertical (triathlon) press.
- b) Media access to official functions, press conferences, competitions and media functions will be strictly controlled by ITU. Members of the media must complete the ITU Media Accreditation Form to be considered for accreditation. Persons requesting accreditation will only be accepted if they are members of international press associations, i.e., AIPS, AOJC, and are working for listed publications. Written confirmation of membership, employment or assignment is required for accreditation.
- c) Media Passes: Will be issued by the ITU Marketing Director on a three tier basis:
  - (i) Level I: Full access to all locations on the race course and all ITU functions.
  - (ii) Level II: Photo access to limited locations on the race course and access to ITU functions.
  - (iii) Level III: Non-Photo access to restricted locations on the race course and ITU functions.
- d) Media Wrist Bands: ITU will issue non-transferable media access wrist bands with a color code for each accreditation level. Wrist bands are not transferable among individuals, companies or events. Wrist bands will be distributed by ITU at the media check-in two hours prior to each pre-event press conference. Lost wristbands require the written approval of the ITU Marketing Director for replacement. ITU Marketing will issue a detailed map of the specific areas of access and a media transport plan at the pre-event press conference.
- e) Motorcycle Access: Vehicle access to the race course will be strictly controlled by ITU. The ITU Marketing Representative will determine, in consultation with the ITU Technical Delegate, the number of motorcycles allowed on the course and will allocate media access accordingly.
- f) Media Access Violations: Press members who do not abide by ITU Media requirements will be subject to loss of media access at ITU events. Those personnel in violation will be warned by the ITU Marketing Representative at the event. Penalties will be applied under the following formula:
  - two warnings at an event = current race suspension plus thirty days suspension
  - four warnings = one hundred and twenty days suspension.
  - six warnings = lifetime banAppeals will be determined by an arbitration process agreed to by AIPS.

4. Pre-Event Press Conference:

- a) ITU will conduct a pre-event press conference prior to the race. Athlete biographies, course maps, schedules and press restrictions will be issued at this press conference.
- b) Ranked athletes will be invited to the press conference and will be available for individual interviews at the end of the conference.

5. Race Course Access:

- a) Each race course will have media access areas and restricted areas. Accredited media will receive copies of the access map at the press conference.
- b) Areas restricted to Level 1-3 accreditation include:
  - Swim start: shore, water and boat access
  - Transition Area
  - Motorcycle access to the race course
  - Finish line
  - Finish line area

6. Post Race Media Briefing/Athlete Interviews:

- a) Athlete interviews will be held either inside or out-of-doors in a media area adjacent to the finish area.
- b) Finishing times and places will be distributed at the interview area.

7. Pre and Post Event Media Information:

- a) ITU releases race information prior to and after each event, plus general information from time to time.
- b) Distribution is normally by telefax and is available to all accredited media.

Moved Technical Committee, seconded South Africa (Colin McAll)

Discussion:

- Michael Gilmore outlined the need to implement this regulation, and outlined how it had been effectively implemented at the recent Duathlon World Championships in Hobart.

**CARRIED**

16. RESOLUTIONS FROM NGBs

**Resolution 33:** That the International Triathlon Union (ITU) accept the Triathlon Federation/USA's resolution pertaining to the participation of physically challenged athletes and use the same criteria for physically challenged athletes' participation in ITU World Championships. (USA)

**WITHDRAWN** by USA

Clarinda Brueck (USA) addressed Congress on the need to implement programmes and policies on participation in events by athletes who are physically

challenged. She delivered a paper entitled "A presentation on the Physically Challenged Triathlete", which focused on World Championships and the road to recognition and placement of triathlon on the 2000 Paralympics Programme. Her contribution was warmly received by Congress.

The Technical Committee handed the chair back to the Executive Board.

**17. WOMEN'S COMMITTEE REPORT:** Co-Chair: Lise Jahnsen (DEN) and Lori Cameron (AUS) read their report on achievements during the past year and goals for 1995. Apologies were extended from Dr. Sarah Springman who was not able to be at Congress.

**18. MEDICAL COMMITTEE REPORT:** Bernie Stefan (AUT) reported on the following:

- ITU Medical Committee Newsletter distribution
- priority given to doping matters and good medical care
- 1995 doping control testing venues
- need for funding

**Resolution from Medical Committee:** Be it resolved that the following be added to the Operations Manual - XVII MEDICAL CARE guidelines

2. **Personnel:** "That the members of the ITU Medical Committee or their designated representatives shall have unlimited access to all medical areas at all ITU sanctioned competitions"

Moved Dr. Philippe Chateau (FRA), seconded Dr. Doug Hiller (USA)

**CARRIED**

**19. ELECTIONS**

a) **Treasurer**

Nominations: Mr Mark Sisson (USA)  
Mark Sisson ELECTED UNOPPOSED

b) **Executive Board** - (1) vacancy:

Nominations: Mr Phil Coles, IOC (AUS)  
Mr Don Dougherty (USA) - declined  
Mr Rodrigo Salas (CHI) - declined  
Phil Coles ELECTED UNOPPOSED.

c) **Women's Representative on the Executive Board:** (1) vacancy:

Nominations: Ms Lise Jahnsen (DEN)  
Dr Suzanne Baur (GER) - declined  
Lise Jahnsen ELECTED UNOPPOSED.



- d) Technical Committee: (1) vacancy:  
 Nominations: Mr Masao Nakayama (JPN)  
 Masao Nakayama ELECTED UNOPPOSED
- e) Medical Committee: (3) vacancies:  
 Nominations: Mr Bernie Stefan (AUT)  
 Dr. Gordon Waddington (AUS)  
 Dr. Mark Tarnapolsky (CAN)  
 ALL ABOVE NOMINEES WERE ELECTED UNOPPOSED.
- f) Constitution Committee:(1) vacancy:  
 Nominations: Mr Steven Locke (USA)  
 Mr Pierre Leuenberger (SUI)  
 Mr Jacques LaParade (FRA)  
 Vote by secret ballot:  
 Jacques LaParade ELECTED BY SIMPLE MAJORITY
- g) Regional representatives: to be endorsed:  
 Mr Peter Boll (Europe)  
 Mr Rami. Ramachandran (Asia)  
 Mr Colin McAll (Africa)  
 Mr Bill Walker (Oceania)  
 The new Regional Representatives welcomed by applause.
- h) Credentials Committee: (1) vacancy:  
 Nominations: Mr Andrew McBarnet (GBR)  
 Andrew McBarnet ELECTED UNOPPOSED
- i) Coaching, Youth and Education Commission: (7) vacancies:  
 Don Dougherty (USA) Barrie Shepley (CAN)  
 Dr. Martin Engelhardt (GER) Michael Thoren (SWE)  
 Emery Holmik (AUS) Steve Trew (GBR)  
 Claude Meyer (FRA)  
 APPOINTED BY EXECUTIVE BOARD.
- j) Audit Committee: (3) vacancies.  
 Nominations: Mr Renato Locatelli (ITA)  
 Mr Shin Ohtsuka (JPN)  
 Mr Ed Moore (AUS)  
 ALL NOMINEES ELECTED UNOPPOSED.
- k) Women's Committee: (7) vacancies  
 Nominations: Ms Dottie Dorian (USA) Ms Liesbeth Stoltz (RSA)  
 Ms Cheryl Baettard (AUS) Ms Ruth Hunt (HKG)

Ms Suzanne Baur (GER)  
Ms Catherine Davies (ESP)

Ms Fiona Cribb (CAN)

ALL NOMINEES ELECTED UNOPPOSED.

20. **ADOPTION OF ANNUAL BUDGET:** Mark Sisson distributed the 1993-94 and Draft Budget 1994-95.

**Discussion:** Request for funding allocation to Women's Committee and Medical Committee were made. Mark Sisson stated that the Draft budget is flexible, and a "worst case" scenario. The 1994 losses are due to outside marketing and contractual problems with some race organisers.

Mark Sisson (Executive Board) moved to adopt budget (with minor changes to be approved by Executive Board), seconded, Don Dougherty (USA)

**BUDGET ADOPTED**

21. **ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, Les McDonald, President, thanked the NGB delegates and the members of the ITU Council for their hard work in the past year and for making Congress '94 another "unity" Congress. The Congress adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

These minutes were recorded by Ms Patricia Rosenbrook (AUS).