

Multisport Committee Minutes

Meeting: 11 February 2021

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Duration: via Zoom 01:10.00

Present

- Ahmed Allouch (AM), TUN
- Alicia Garcia (AG), ESP
- Diane Henderson (DH), TTO
- Brian Hinton (BH), AUS
- Jianqui Qin (JQ), CHN
- Melody Tan (MT), MAS
- Tim Yount (TY), USA
- Stefane Mauris (SM), SUI – World Triathlon Staff Liaison
- Antonio Alvarez (ANA), Executive Board
- Antonio Arimany (AA), World Triathlon General Secretary

Absent

- Bernard Saint-Jean (BSJ), Executive Board
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*For ease of minute taking only first names or initials of the members will be referred to in the minutes. You can see full names above

Item	Discussion Items	Discussion	Actions
1	Welcome and introduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- BH welcome words and introduce Antonio thanking his presence.- AA welcome the new members and happy to see people from around the world in the committee. Agrees Multisport needs to be developed.	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - AA explained MS minutes need to be public as per Constitution. And they will be sent to the EB. 	
2	Apologies/absence	BSJ	
3	approval of minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Last minutes old committee date 22 October 2020. Approved - Minutes of meeting 7, January 2021. Approved and agreed to publish the agreed version 	
4	Discussion around the plan in the Multisport Congress Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1. Update on work with Age Group Commission (AGC) - Nicky Dick will be invited to MS meetings and a MS committee member will be invited in the AG commission meetings. Is important to work together as Multisport is an important event in terms of participation. BH will join the meetings and if due to Europe zone time AG can do it. - TY propose the possibility to have the AGC agenda for the meetings with time in order to have time to discuss it and to give to the MS representative in the meeting ideas to share. - ANA explain he and Renato are also involved in the AGC and happy to work. - 2. Bidding document WTMSC 2024 - BH goes to the document, the key element is the WMSC can have around 4.000 athletes, maybe less in Almere 2021 due to the pandemic and also Townsville 2022 even if good number, but challenging due to the distance for European athletes, but Ibiza 2023 maybe can reach a very good number - AA explains the agreement to have 1 year the WMSC in Europe and 1 out of Europe, so 2024 will be out of Europe. No bids for the moment (China showed interest in the past) so AA encourage MS Committee members to try to explore for locations. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1- SM to ask Nicky about the possibility to have the agenda prior to the meetings with enough time t be prepared.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 3. Update from Antonio Arimany on status of Winter Triathlon proposal - AA, the working group created in 2019 to analyze status and future of Winter Triathlon presented a conclusion in July 2020 to the WT EB with new proposals regarding a circuit of World Cups and with the main objective to work to be included in the Winter Olympic Games, so for this reason the distances needs to be restructured in order to have an event attractive for TV in order to be able also to attract sponsors. - Now in the work to try to find locations for the World Cups (maybe Italy, Andorra, China...), to start with the World Cups races in 2022. - 4. Continued involvement of Daniel Martin from the winter Triathlon Working Group - Not sure if the working group will be active, but we need to know if it will be needed additional participation from the MS committee and the work expected from the MS Committee - AA the need is to find locations for the World cup events and also important to have NF championships in place. - BH indicates New Zealand is a good place and maybe could be an idea for a World Championships. - 5. Update on data collection progress - Explanation from SM about the document, the recommendation is to have 2019 as base year and to work until 2024 to have a complete date. - Expecting to add more data - Need to find a person used to work with data to help. - The goal is to find the indicators to know when an event will be attractive (location?, LOC's reputation?, others factors?..) 	
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5	World triathlon multisport world championships and other multisport events update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 2021 World Triathlon Multisport Championships Almere - Taking measures due to Covid, so still not sure about the numbers - TY we need to go to the athletes to know their plans, but due to pandemic information is late and frequently changing - 2022 World Triathlon Multisport Championships Townsville - Work in progress - 2023 World Triathlon Multisport Championships Ibiza - Work in progress but slow due to the pandemic - 2021 Triathlon Winter Cup Asiago - Expected the field of play, mostly Russians and Italian athletes, now, 25 men and 12 women - 2021 World Triathlon Winter Championships Andorra - In place, next week will be information regarding travels and documents - 2021 World Triathlon /Powerman Duathlon World Championships-Zofingen (LD)/Viborg (MD) - Some issues with communication and the covid restrictions 	
6	Any other Business	<p>Duathlon World Games Participation document</p> <p>This point will be included again in the agenda in 3 months</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Interesting from Elite/AG perspective - Due to travel restrictions in 2021, very important for the athletes the NF Championships and Continental Championships. - Ranking system promotion - 1. Access to and operation of google docs by the Committee 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - We need to find an efficient way to work. - SM will create a google drive and will give all MS Committee members access to it, maybe some issue with China, but we need to find a solution for this. - 2. Members' propositions - ANA Reflection regarding the need to study the issues from all the perspectives LOC, NF, Elite and AG athletes... and also to have in mind Multisport is the future for our sport due to the new generation mind set up - BH informs Nicky is in contact with Michelle Cooper from Oceania to implement a strategy for AG in Oceania - JQ informs about MS development in China, started in 2018 with the winter triathlon championship and 3 national events and 1 world cup. They had plans to send athletes to Asiago but no the plans were cancelled due to pandemic. As in 2022 the Winter JJOO will be in Beijing there are plans for national events after the pandemic restrictions - AG informs about the 2022 European Multisport Championships Bilbao Bizkaia, as the official presentation was last week. The city is fully involved, also all the villages around. Spanish Federation will take part in the organization, so if needed it will be possible to stablish actions there if MS committee decide can be useful. - DH, informs one athlete from winter triathlon and they registered for the winter federation - AM informs about a cross triathlon event in Tunisia, it will be on 17 July with the federation involved and good location in the coast and also with a forest. 	
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - TY reflection regarding the Duathlon World Games participation document, good example as good to have the information to attract athletes. - BH, the season is almost normal in Oceania but not possible to travel outside, only for participation in Tokyo 	
8	Next meeting	- Thursday, 11 March 2021 @22:30 CET	