

Multisport Committee Minutes – public

Meeting: 16, February 2023

Approved 20 April 2023

Duration: via Zoom 00.45.32

Present

- Brian Hinton (BH), AUS – Chair
- Alicia Garcia (AG), ESP
- Melody Tan (MT) MAS
- Tim Yount (TY), USA
- Stefane Mauris (SM), SUI – World Triathlon Staff Liaison
- Bernard Saint Jean (BSJ), FRA, WT Board representative
- Daniel Martin (DM) AUT winter triathlon consultant

*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.

Absent

- Diane Henderson (DH) TTO
- Qin Jianquiu (QJ) CHI
- Ahmed Allouch (AM) TUN

Discussion Items	Discussion	Who
1. Welcome and introduction		
2. Apologies/absence	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Nicky Dick (ND) GBR Age group commission representative- Ahmed Allouch (AM), TUN	
3. Approval of Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- No quorum to approve the minutes	

<p>4. Discussion around the plan in the World Triathlon Congress report</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Participation in Transgender Working Group 2. Winter Triathlon Update: DM <p>The working group had a meeting and they thought there are two different scenarios:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To try to identify if Winter triathlon can work as an elite sport • If not, focus on it being an age group focused sport <p>The demonstration sports for 2026 are not still announced, so it could still be considered for the Games. As we all know, this is largely up to the host country to support. Another possibility is to be part of the Asian Winter Games in 2029 (In Saudi Arabia) and if successful, apply for the Winter Olympic Games after that. Winter Triathlon is not very popular in Saudi Arabia, so there would be a lot of work to get it into the Games.</p> <p>Justification for Daniel Martin to attend the World Triathlon Winter Champs 2023 – The idea is DM to have conversations with the NFs present and to try to organize a meeting with the World Loppet organization to try to find a way to work with them to potentially bring more age groupers to the winter triathlon races. Discussion ensued about approaching the Birkebeiner organization once again.</p> <p>TY had some conversations with them, as they are hosting a Winter World Cup in 2024 so the earliest for us to consider an event in America would be in 2025.</p> 3. BH received feedback from the Age Group Commission regarding MTR - they will not include it in their next agenda, so the proposal will be to include it later in the fall – October/November – as a discussion point. 	
<p>5. World Triathlon Multisport World Championships and other Multisport events update</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ibiza Multisport World Championships 2023. BH informed than 2 age group Australian triathletes (intellectually impaired) have qualified in their AG category, one in aquathlon and one in sprint duathlon. <p>The build-out continues; everything is going fine.</p> <p>About participation, USA will probably send around 200 athletes, AUS around 45.</p> <p>It was raised the issue around rental bikes around world championships, as athletes are exploring possibilities. If resolved, participation will be good for all events. If not, numbers could wane.</p> 	

	<p>2. Skeikampen Norway Winter Triathlon Championships- Low participation numbers. Around 21 NFs, and 127 athletes in total, so 90 people less than 2022. LOC is worried due to lack of funding because of the situation. Registration is still open, so maybe more athletes will enter in the next weeks. So far only eight (8) accredited coaches are attending.</p> <p>SM remarked that this was the first time TRI went directly to the athletes to promote the event and Winter Triathlon. A lot of work has been done, but not the level of results desired to date.</p> <p>3. European Championships in Andorra. The participation was around 100 people including elite and age groupers, so very low numbers.</p> <p>4. 2023 World Triathlon Powerman Long Distance Duathlon Championships in Zofingen. Waiting for the contract to be signed. Waiting also for a kickoff call once the TD has been assigned.</p> <p>5. Progress on Townsville MS World Championships 2024. Already sent to the EB the technical delegates team. They discuss soon, details around cross triathlon. A site visit will take place in August.</p> <p>6. Bali World Beach Games. Technical officials have been nominated.</p>	
<p>6. Varia</p>	<p>MT informed everyone about the transgender meeting to be held on 15 February. Most of the members have come up with experts, so the working group will contact the relevant people to have discussions and meetings with them. It will be a balanced discussion as there are people from both groups. They did request for each committee to give one-page feedback on their thoughts on transgender activities as part of the process. MSC will have 5 minutes and one slide to present.</p>	
<p>7. Next meeting</p>	<p>Next meeting on Thursday, 16 March 2023 22:30- 23:30 CET</p>	