



**INTERNATIONAL POWERLIFTING  
FEDERATION  
ASBL**

**MEETING MINUTES  
Second Extraordinary General Assembly**

**Helsingborg Arena – Gerdas Sal Room  
Mellersta Stenbocksgatan 14 25437  
Helsingborg, Sweden**

**Monday, 10 June 2019 / Begin: 19:40 hrs.**

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## MEETING MINUTES FOR THE SECOND EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HELD ON June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 19:40 p.m.

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The following are the Meeting Minutes for the second Extraordinary General Assembly held in HELSINGBORG on June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 19:40 p.m.

### 1. Roll Call

#### Africa (3)

Algeria  
Libya  
South Africa

#### North America (4)

Canada  
Mexico  
US Virgin Islands  
USA

#### Oceania (2)

New Zealand  
Nauru

#### Asia (6)

Chinese Taipei  
Hong Kong  
India  
Japan  
Malaysia  
Mongolia

#### South America (4)

Brazil  
Colombia  
Ecuador  
Uruguay

#### Provisional Members

Australia  
Cape Verde  
Thailand  
\* provisional members do not receive a vote.

#### Europe (25)

Austria	Denmark	Iceland	Netherlands	Serbia
Belarus	Finland	Ireland	Norway	Slovenia
Belgium	France	Italy	Poland	Sweden
Croatia	Germany	Lithuania	Romania	Switzerland
Czech Republic	Great Britain	Luxembourg	Russia	Ukraine

#### Votes:

Member Federations: 44

#### Scrutineers:

Klaus Brostrom (Denmark); Cathy Marksteiner (USA)

The scrutineers were approved by Extraordinary General Assembly: Yes: 54 / No: 0 / Abstention: 0 / No Vote: 1

#### Note 1:

Please find attached the member federation registration sheets for the Extraordinary General Assembly.

**Note 2:**

In accordance to Luxembourg Law, a quorum of 74 member federations were required to be present at the first Extraordinary General Assembly to form a legal quorum and to be able to approve the Constitutional and By-law Amendments from 2007 to 2017.

**Note 3:**

The second Extraordinary General Assembly convened at 7:41pm on June 10, 2019. At the second Extraordinary General Assembly, the Constitutional Amendments from 2007 to 2017 required a simple majority of 28 votes to be approved. Key and important, all Constitution and By-Law Articles for each year, from 2007 to 2017, were read aloud to the member federations of General Assembly. After each year, a vote was taken to approve the Constitution Articles/by-law Amendments.

**2. President's Message – Gaston Parage, President**

Gaston Parage welcomed everyone to the meeting and explained to the member federations the rational for having the Extraordinary General Assembly. President Parage summarized the following:

- A. The Luxembourg Civil Court rejected Mr. Wilks request for Dissolution of the IPF.
- B. The Luxembourg Civil Court rejected the injunction order to prevent the 2019 Extraordinary General Assembly from taking place on June 10, 2019.
- C. The Luxembourg Civil Court disallowed our Constitution Changes from 2007 to 2017. However, cited no wrongdoing by the IPF. The IPF must retroactively go back and approve the Constitution and By-Law Motions from 2007 to 2017.

**3. Motions**

- a. **APPROVAL OF ALL CONSTITUTIONAL STATUTORY MODIFICATIONS APPROVED FROM 2007 UNTIL 2017 (Submitted by the IPF Executive Committee).**

**General Assembly / November 2, 2008 / St. John's, Nova Scotia, Canada**

**Statutes:**

- Article 1, Paragraph 11, Paragraph 3
- Article 2, Paragraph 1 and 2
- Article 8, Paragraph 1, Paragraph 3.1 to 3.11
- Article 9, Paragraph 2.1 to 2.3
- Article 11, Paragraph 6
- Article 14, Paragraph 10.6 and Paragraph 17
- Article 15, Paragraph 15, Paragraph 1
- Article 17

**By-Laws:**

- Article 101.6
- Article 101.10.5.3
- Article 102.8 and 102.9
- Article 103.2; 103.4; 103.10; 103.11 and 103.12
- Article 105.1.1; 105.7 and 105.14

**Vote Count:**

**Yes: 54 / No: 0 / Abstention: 0 / No Vote Cast: 1/ Constitution Motions from 2008 accepted.**

**General Assembly / November 1, 2009 / New Delhi, India**

There were no changes to the constitution or By-Laws this year.

**General Assembly / November 7, 2010 / Potchefstroom, South Africa**

**Statutes:**

- Article 5, Paragraph 1
- Article 7, Paragraph 2.2 to 2.11

- Article 8, Paragraph 2, Paragraph 3.4.1 to 3.12
- By-Laws
- Article 101.9.8.2.1; 101.9.8.2.2; 101.9.8.10; 101.9.8.3.3101.9.8.4.4 and 101.9.8.5.4
  - Article 105.3.6; 105.4.4

**Vote Count:**

**Yes: 54 / No: 0 / Abstention: 0 / No Vote Cast: 1/ Constitution/By-laws from 2010 accepted.**

**General Assembly / November 7, 2011/ Pilsen, Czech Republic**

**Statutes**

- Article 7, Paragraph 3.7.1
- Article 8, Paragraph 3.9
- Article 9, Paragraph 2.3

**Vote Count:**

**Yes: 54 / No: 0 / Abstention: 0 / No Vote Cast: 1/ Constitution/By-laws from 2011 accepted.**

**General Assembly / October 28, 2012 / Aguadilla, Puerto Rico**

There were no changes to the constitution or By-Laws this year.

**General Assembly / November 2, 2013 / Stavanger, Norway**

**Statutes**

- Article 8, Paragraph 2
- Article 9, Paragraph 1; 1.1 and Paragraph 2.1; 2.2 and 2.3
- Article 16

**By-Laws**

- Article 101.7.1.1; 107.2.2; 101.7.3.7; 101.7.4.8; 101.7.5.9; 101.8.8.6.1-2; 101.8.8.7; 101.8.8.8.1; 101.8.8.9.1-3; 101.8.8.10.1-3
- Article 105.14

**Vote Count:**

**Yes: 54 / No: 0 / Abstention: 0 / No Vote Cast: 1/ Constitution/By-laws from 2013 accepted.**

**General Assembly / November 2, 2014 / Aurora, Colorado**

**Statutes:**

- Article 1, Paragraph 7.2.1.3
- Article 8, Paragraph 1 to 3.9
- Article 9, Paragraph 2.3
- Article 11, Paragraph 5.4; 5.5; 5.6 and 6
- Article 12, Paragraph 1.5
- Article 14, Paragraph 9
- Article 15, Paragraph 1

**By-Laws:**

- Article 104.9.1-2
- Article 105.5.2; 105.4.3; 105.9.3; 105.14
- Article 108.6

**Vote Count:**

**Yes: 54 / No: 0 / Abstention: 0 / No Vote Cast: 1/ Constitution/By-laws from 2014 accepted.**

**General Assembly / November 8, 2015/ Hamm, Luxembourg**

**Statutes:**

- Article 5, Paragraph 1
- Article 6,
- Article 7, Paragraph 2.13 and 2.16
- Article 8, Paragraph 2 and 3
- Article 9, Paragraph 1 to 11
- Article 11, Paragraph 1 and Paragraph 3.1 to 3.3
- Articles 16 to 20

**By-Laws**

- Article 101.8.5.1 to 101.8.5.1.1
- Article 101.8.8.1
- Article 101.9.1.1; 101.9.2-7; 101.9.3.1-7; 101.9.4.1-4 and 101.9.5.1-4
- Article 101.10.1.1; 101.10.2.1; 101.10.3.1-3 and 101.10.4.1-4
- Article 107.8
- Article 108.5.1; 108.5.1.1-4 and 108.6

**Vote Count:**

**Yes: 54 / No: 0 / Abstention: 0 / No Vote Cast: 1/ Constitution/By-laws from 2015 accepted.**

**General Assembly / November 13, 2016 / Orlando, Florida, USA**

**There were no changes to the constitution or By-Laws this year.**

**b. MODIFICATION OF ARTICLE 5 REGARDING THE REPRESENTATION OF IPF (Submitted by the IPF Executive Committee)**

**New proposed wording of Rule 5:**

- 5.1. The IPF is governed by a General Assembly consisting of a maximum of two delegates from each national affiliate with one vote per country, and the IPF EC members with one vote each.
- 5.2. EC members are restricted to only one vote even as the officers cannot represent both their nation and the IPF Executive Board.
- 5.3. An annual membership fee as stipulated in 103.2.1 of the IPF By-Laws must be paid by the member nations at the latest by the 31st of January each year to have voting rights at the annual General Assembly of this particular year.
- 5.4. New member nations (Associations) must have paid their membership fee annually, from the year of their provisional membership.

**Vote Count:**

**Yes: 54 / No: 0 / Abstention: 0 / No Vote Cast: 1/ Constitution Motion Passes**

c. **INTRODUCTION OF ARTICLE 10 REGARDING THE VOTING RIGHTS AND QUORUM OF IPF (Submitted by the IPF Executive Committee)**

**Proposed wording of Rule 10:**

At all meetings of the IPF, unless otherwise prescribed in this Constitution, a proposal shall be passed if supported by a simple majority of the valid votes cast.

Abstentions shall not be counted.

In the event of a tie, the Chairman of the meeting shall have a casting vote.

A proposal for the dissolution of IPF shall be passed in accordance to the Luxemburg Law.

A proposal to amend the Constitution shall be passed if supported by two thirds or more of the Member Associations present at the Meeting

**The Quorum at any meeting shall be 20 % if not otherwise requested by the Luxembourg Law.**

**Vote Count:**

**Yes: 54 / No: 0 / Abstention: 0 / No Vote Cast: 1/ Constitution Motion Passes**

d. **CHANGE OF ANY NECESSARY RULE NUMBERS OR RULE NUMBER REFERENCES (Submitted by the IPF Executive Committee)**

All necessary changes to Rule numbers and references to Rule numbers arising from the above amendments shall be made.

**Vote Count:**

**Yes: 54 / No: 0 / Abstention: 0 / No Vote Cast: 1/ Constitution Motion Passes**

e. **GENERAL ASSEMBLY (Submitted by France)**

Article 7.2.13 with the following paragraph:

To be informed of Technical Rules changes decided by the Rules Working Group.

The Rules Working Group is composed of members of the Executive Committee, the members of the Technical Committee and one representative from the following committees (Athletes, coach, Medical, Women's and Youth). Changes to the IPF Technical Rules take place every four years, the year before the elections. In specific circumstances, the Executive Committee may call for a General Assembly to have Rule Changes placed on the Agenda.

**Vote Count:**

**Yes: 54 / No: 0 / Abstention: 0 / No Vote Cast: 1/ Constitution Motion Passes**

Adjournment

**8:20pm**

Robert Keller  
Secretary General  
International Powerlifting Federation