

**WBSC Europe Baseball Commission meeting
Videoconference, July 12th 2022**

Attendance

Petr Ditrich, Vice President Baseball; (“PD”)

František Bunta; (“FB”)

Jorge Miqueleiz; (“JM”)

Darja Grimšič; (“DG”)

Also present:

Kruno Karin, President WBSC Europe; (“KK”)

Virmidas Neverauskas, Member at Large BB; (“VN”)

Ludo Peeters, Chairman of the Baseball Technical Commission; (“LP”)

Secretariat: Kristina Uroić; (“KU”)

1. Approval of the Minutes Prague 28–29th May

The Minutes are approved.

2. Competition 2022

LP:

- We have a lot of problems regarding the umpires. The fines should be sent to the Federations who didn't have the umpire for the tournaments.

PD:

- There will be changes for the next year regarding the nomination of the umpires.

LP

- Assured the Commission that Belgium will send the team to U18 EC. There were some problems with the funding, but the team will be present at the European Championship.

KK:

- Regarding the U18 Tournament: we have some Federations asking to have the Qualifier and the European Championship in the same year as it is now.
This needs to be investigated to see if it can be done.

Professional League

KK:

- We had no meeting in Taiwan regarding the Professional League, but WBSC wants 2 teams to relegate for sure

3. Information - WBSC Congress

PD:

- Showed the results from the Election for the positions in WBSC.
- The result is much better than before, but we could do better. The strategy should be done.

KK:

- The other continents were more together in the process of the election.
- I haven't gone in to the Executive Board (Australian candidate had more votes in the end), but the Statutes will be changed and I will be in the Board by default.

4. Various

PD:

- Regarding the articles on the WBSC Europe web page, we will try to push more with the news from baseball.
- Tenerife tournament: We will have the meeting with the Spanish federation on the 26th

EC U23 Q – Ukraine

PD:

- Ukraine Federation is asking for help regarding their U23 team.
There is no budget for this. It was agreed to help with 3 softball and 3 baseball tournament and this was done.
The commission agrees to stay with funding only 3 baseball tournaments for Ukraine.
That means that Ukraine has to come up with the funding for U23 Q by themselves.

JM:

- There is a question regarding the official hotels for the tournaments. For example, Valencia will have 4-star hotel for the officials, and in Budapest it's only B&B. What is the meaning of First-class hotel.

LP:

- This needs to be specified in the Competition Rules.
There are a lot of things that will be changed for the next year. I have already been contacted by Mike Jennings from Softball Technical Commission.

Next meeting – after the last baseball tournament. It will be communicated.