

BASEBALL5 COMMISSION ONLINE MEETING

December 5, 2023

Online meeting

Attendance:

Youri Alkalay (YA) Erik Eilering (EE) Arnoldas Ramanauskas (AR)

Ludovic Meillier (LM) guest – WBSCE B5 Technical Committee chairman

Offline but informed for all docs with proposals: Vladislav Beltic (VB)

Not attending with apologies: Elliot Fleys (EF)

Notes: YA

	Welcome, Quorum	
Speaker	Topic	Remark/Action
YA	Good to see you after EChampionship Once again thanks to LBA and AR for great work on the ECh and congratulations for the title. Topics for today: ✓ Minutes from ECh meeting ✓ European Baseball5 Tour ✓ Changes in Technical regulations ✓ Congress	
EE	We should include discussion on B5 Development/educational commission – current members are not active. Have to recruit new. Also ranking system	Proposals accepted
LM	Also to decide on White (officials) convention	Proposal accepted
	Minutes from ECh meeting	
YA	Here are minutes from meeting during ECh	Approved 3-0-0
	European Baseball5 Tour	
YA	Screen share: Basic ideas about the tour – chain of competitions around Europe (France, Spain, Italy, Belgium, Bulgaria, etc) some of them already	YA to prepare full draft with all rules for categogy/organizers obligations/points earned, ets



EE AR	planned and scheduled – summer and off season. Common branding, uniform standard for players/officials, streaming, prime locations when possible. Criteria of the category and points assigned. Gala at the end Include Netherlands – mid August in Amersfoort In the name – use series instead tour, also include LBA Baltic open and as we discussed Nordic open in December	and send to B5C for final confirmation before NY LM to plan 2-3 certification clinics a day before tournaments.
LM	Some clinics have to be done during tournaments – we will need officials	
	Changes in Technical regulations	
YA	Screen share – LM proposed, based on our previous meeting changes in TR. Age limit 17 for Youth Ch – (1)will be fair for the athletes (2) European teams will be always strong and experienced at YWC as far as the could have same players from previous year. Some 18 years old could be discriminated.	Age limit 17 for YECh
EE YA	Agree that it will be beneficial. VB is also in favor – will be a stimulus for youth. There will be no discrimination. 18 yo could play in adults. Next is obligatory 3male/2female – 2male/3female	Adopt obligatory 3male/2female – 2male/3female format in the
EE AR YA	format in the first 2 sets of the matches. Very interesting approach from WBSC at YWC – stimulate teams to develop players equally – in favor. We have to adopt it – more inclusive.	first 2 sets of the matches.
EE	VB supports Next – terms for applications and payment – better to be fixed dates instead of "days before" For example April 1/May1 -> Application/payment. Will be easier to manage. We should add requirement to have number on the front side of the uniform (either on shorts or shirt) Other changes are minor. Only the disciplinary part requires more description in detail.	Accept April 1/May1 as terms for submission Application/payment. Accepted YA to provide update on softball disciplinary regulations. LM to revise them, include a/m changes and present new version of TR before NY.
	Congress	
YA	Congress will be in Malaga on February 10. There we should present report on the ECh, info for 2024 YECh, as well as other activities: Tour, Convention, Clinics, Development activities. Budget is not clear yet, but if possible, it will be good to have	YA to check what are the possibilities for participation. LM and TJ to prepare max 4 slides report for the ECh, 1 slide convention, 1 clinics





LM	commission members there It will be useful to have us for the presentations and	YA to prepare presentation of Tour.		
YA	discussions. Generally, every WBSCE fed is responsible for their delegates: for baseball, for softball and now for b5	LM to contact French fed for shorp presentation/info on 2024 B5YECh		
	B5 Development/educational commission			
EE	Beni and Jonas are not active – both have some personal issues. I have a lot of ideas but need a team. I had som conversations durin ECh	EE to interview potential commission members and present proposals on the next		
YA LM	I believe Mauricio from Italy could be a good choice. Lasten from France is really enthusiastic also.	meeting. Proposals from other members are welcome		
	WBSCE B5 Officials convention			
LM	As we have spoken in Lithuania we are talking with the officials. They are very enthusiastic. Winter is the most suitable time.	YA to clarify possibilities and eventual proposal for Sofia. All others to investigate		
AR YA	Its important for the officials to have such a chance. Yes, we have to "strengthen the family". We are looking for a hub of the cheap airlines, affordable accommodation and local federation willing to support. Everybody should cover his expences. Bulgaria is one of the options – in March we are planning Balkan open and may be this is a good option	options, based on the requirement for easy access, affordable accommodation and local support.		
YA LM	Other business? Travel costs for the officials, who are additionally appointed to ECh? 3 officials. Also, Italy had no official. Did they pay 500?	LM to clarify the amounts and get copies of their tickets YA to communicate to treasurer and check invoce for Italy		
AR YA	How about having European ranking list Good idea – we could use WBSC one as a base, starting January	LM to check and update us with the principles of WBSC		
EE	Agree. Will be good to have one	ranking YA to get in touch with WBSC for approval		
	Next meeting			
YA AR	TBD after WBSCE meeting in Malaga, between December 13-19 We should know the agenda of the congress	YA to call for a meeting with min 3 days advance		
End of meeting – 20:30 CET				

