

WBSC Europe Baseball Commission video meeting

May 10th 2023

Attendance

Petr Ditrich, Vice President Baseball; ("PD")
František Bunta ("FB")
Jorge Miqueleiz; ("JM")
Darja Grimšič; ("DG")
Oleg Boyko; ("OB")
Stephen Lesfargues; ("SL")

Also present:

Kruno Karin, President WBSC Europe ("KK")
Ami Baran, Secretary General WBSC Europe; ("AB")
Virmidas Neverauskas, Board Member WBSC Europe; ("VN")
Jürgen Elsishans, Board Member WBSC Europe; ("JE")
Francois Collet, Board Member WBSC Europe; ("FC")
Secretariat: Elda Ghilardi ("EG"), Kristina Uroić; ("KU")

1. Competitions 2023 – preparation:

- Officials nominations –

The nominations were sent by Zdenek Zidek for umpires and umpires' supervisors, and for the technical delegates and scoring directors by František Bunta

KK:

Juergen is nominated as a Technical Delegate to one of the tournaments. We need to think about separating the Board positions with the officials at the tournaments. Separation of powers need to be thought about.

PD:

Media officers will be present to 3 main tournaments: U23 in Austria, Champions Cup in the Netherlands and European Championship in Czech Republic.

Action Item: PD & AB will talk about media officers for this year

EG:

It's needed to add the media officer to the Competition rules from 2024.

- Agreements with the organizers

KK:

All the obligations are already in the Bid document as well as in the Competition Rules.

AB:

We will send the agreements if needed by the organizers.

- Official Balls distribution

KK:

The addresses for the balls were sent to the supplier (Teammate). TM190 ball will be used only for the Champions Cup and for the European Championship in CZE. All other tournaments will be played with TM130.

- Uniforms

FB:

I will make the list by the tournaments for the technical officials.

Action Item: KU and AB will communicate with the supplier about the delivery.

2. Competition Rules 2023

FB:

Passport only will not be mandatory. EU IDs could be used as well.

The Baseball Commission decided that 3 teams will relegate from the European Championship.

KK:

I strongly suggest to look into getting back A, B and C pool for the Seniors. The tournaments were more balanced by the strength of the teams.

FB:

EC Women will be every 3 years, so the next EC will be in 2025.

VN:

I don't agree with FTR rule. 20 days before the tournament is too soon to have FTR. I urge the Commission to change this.

Proposal :

To Approve the Competition Rules 2023

Decision:

Approved unanimously

Action Item : AB will send Competition Rules 2023 for the approval of the Executive Board as soon as possible.

3. Sanction of the Events

AB:

The Events approvals are signed by myself and the office is sending the letters to the organizers.

All the Post event documents are sent to the WBSC and they are providing points for the rankings.

4. Winter League (Tenerife)

JM:

The letter was sent out to the Federations and the deadline for application is June 15th.

I'm in contact with the Canaria federation.

5. Various

PD:

- Marco Mannucci sent his resignation a few day ago.
- Ukraine Support: CZE Baseball will help Ukraine team for the European Championship in CZE.

OB:

We need as much help as we can get from WBSCE

Next meeting – 15th June at 16 hrs