

MEETING MINUTES:

- **Beijing2022**

- a) No medals for SB-LL1 w and SB-UL w.

Inform the nations of the possibility that there is still a medal inclusion option, given the numbers of girls in the ranking this season, to prevent the abandonment of athletes and to seek investment and foresight in SB-UL women by every nation.

Interesting comments on the subject:

- *Precedent, we saw it in SB- UL m, when they decide to not to have it in Russia there was 6/7 competitors, after, when they were allowed to compete in Korea UL m was the biggest category.*
- *Has there been any discussion of LL1 W being able to petition to compete in LL2 if that class isn't reinstated as a medal event? Or to compete in the LL1 M's class?*
- *what is the reason that LL1 W can't compete with LL2 W, if the number do not add up. Is it possible to have LL W?*

- b) BSL or DBSL??

We need to know it with time to organize our calendars, trainings, races, etc. from next season...

Interesting comments on the subject:

- *About DBSL... I think it is not same with BSL (Single). (...) I think it should to separate with DBSL and BSL for each point.*

- c) *Interesting comments on the subject: No races 2 weeks before/after PPGG.*

- **Calendar 2020-21**

Need to have the next season calendar ASAP, but with a solid schedule (no cancellations).

We will wait for new calendar from Ted with the new changes.

Interesting comments on the subject:

- *(...) new calendar end of August as late.*

- *Final calendar before IPC meeting.*
- *I can wait for the calendar to be released toward the end of summer, I would rather see it go through layers of approval, problem solving and discussion than to rush it.*
- *We need the calendar no later than end of August. This day it would probably be best to see the outcome of the virus before setting dates before summer.*
- *It looks between Jan and Feb are so busy...We already start to negotiate with our association about budget of 2021 season. For saving our travel budget if cancel or change the schedule of competition, we should to know the process of the negotiations between WPSB and each OC. the reasons why cancel the Dubai were by OC.
It may have remembered at Serbia in 2019, but there was no result our opinion will be reflected on the calendar.*
- *I would like to have the calendar ASAP, I think more teams would like that so they can make the budget and a season plan. But in the same time the events in the calendar are supposed to stay there the whole season. No more #cancelthatrace.*

- **From 'WC and CoC' WG (Vopke)**

- a) Proposal to finish the Agitos camps with a CoC or WPSB GS race.

We really support this idea as coaches with problems to introduce new guys to compete.

PROBLEM: no strategic plan for camps, races, etc. We think that must be IPC who takes responsibility for that (organizing camps, etc. via different nations). The responsibility can't fall over the nations.

Interesting comments on the subject:

- *specially about put the races on calendar (IPC and FIS) and all the costs for TD, FIS delegate etc etc.*

- b) Budget to organize a race is also a problem normally.

Interesting comments on the subject:

- We should to know the details what is very expensive for organize the CoC. and we should know the possibility to able to cut it.

- **Team Events.**

Was an open question:

How must work TE with the official teams and unofficial? coz really we are not a lot of people... Points everybody?? Tell me...

Interesting comments on the subject:

- *include everyone on the ranking.*
- *it's difficult now to decide how to do. If the idea for the future is to go with mix genders I think is pretty hard to do that. I think TE is fascinating but honesty hard to have it. I think FIS don't have a Team Event ranking last 2 years. Too early?*
- *Do we need a team ranking? What would it do if we had one besides awarding a globe (if team members remained constant). I would like to see team countries but participant numbers have made that difficult so far. I love the event but don't have clear direction how to proceed with it.*
- *Could be a cool event, but difficult to decide how the ranking would be. I think the riders need to stick together throw the season and not have different riders at each event.*
- *I think it is good for a separate ranking, per national teams (just team countries).*

- **New points curve system**

We commented the problems seen on that in the STC call (17/03/20) and maybe could be an option to run as usual until Beijing and apply the new curve system after PPGG22, but the points system distribution was better last season (applying 1414.2.4. to the WC, races Level 1) than this present season with points for everybody.

Interesting comments on the subject:

- *for sure we need to change something in the point system. This year the Nation globe was won by a girl who was competing alone. Take in consideration to give less point for first if less than 5 (and consequence for others).*
- *I would be interested to look at it over the course of this entire season to try to determine any more pros and cons before a decision is made. It could avoid having to back pedal later if we find that something isn't working well.*

- **Mikko Wendelin Award.**

100% agree.

Ted asked all ready to the 'WPSB Coaches' wapp group and waiting for criteria's ideas...

- **Some nations negative to race in La Molina.**

Question submitted without answers yet.

Interesting comments on the subject:

- *For the save the budget.*

- **CAG proposal:**

New race format: 2 days race or/and preheat.

I think we must take in consideration to do training and qualification one day and compete the day after for more than one reasons:

1 we save a lot of time not only because we don't have the quali in the same day but we don't need time to do the brackets from quali to finals

2 It's easy to move the race in to the "ideal window" in case of bad weather

3 we can use FIS rule 5501.2 qualification heats holistic format in case we can't do the qualification or to have 2 different races like in Big White FIS WC. First day qualification, second day WC1, third day WC2 with holistic format (all riders qualify for heats)

I know normally the decision to have everything in one day is based on number of competitors but we have 6 categories not only 2 like in FIS and this is more complicated.

Example: bracket of 8, numbers of competitors 10. Pre-heat for 7-8-9-10. First qualify for 7th second for 8th and put in the final bracket.

- **Factoring system for para snowboard.**

Not fair enough in general (ex: ski alpine) and doesn't work with our competing specialities.

Interesting comments on the subject:

- *(...) This seems like a road that we don't want to go down unless necessary.*
- *Totally agree. it is not fair.*

WPSB Working Group. "CAG"

MEETING DATE: 28/04/20

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(included in our CAG report (02/04/20) as a first point)

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Just FYI, we have worrying new information from Dave Balne, chinese coach, he gave me permission to share with you his text:

"No sweat. All of our UL women have been let go from our program for 2020/21. The federation does not believe this class will be part of Beijing 2022. ... We had about 10 women in this class."

We knew that Poland (1 athlete) is in close situation and in Spain (1 athlete) it will be the same, without information about.

I'm explaining you that point because we are concern about it. In a general way, we are looking for upper limb girls last 2/3 seasons and we have in the SBX ranking, 17 athletes; and on the BSL ranking, 14 athletes.

I would like to clarify that we are not pushing the STC or IPC, we are just sharing this information with the STC members. As always trying to grow up our sport...

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MEETING DATE: 20/05/20
[Actualized 18/06/20]

MEETING MINUTES:

Beijing 2022 items (actualized according the email sent to the NPC's):

- a) Totally support to add SB-UL women medal. **CAG agrees.**
- b) DBSL instead of BSL, **agree.**
- c) Merging SB-LL1 & SB-LL2 women just for WPG, **disagree.**

Reasons and questions about point c):

- In the STC call from 15/05/20, that point was just an idea-proposal to comment; in the STC call from 26/05/20, this item was proposed as a new rule.
- There is a history of merging groups in other IPC sports (triathlon, etc.) but not only in the WPG. We searched for antecedents of this situation and did not find them just for the games. Even in able sports.
- Change everything (in terms of performance and results context) for one or maximum two (three) athletes, that actually are in the SB-LL1 group, it doesn't make a lot of sense. Who assures that the two (three) athletes, for whom this effort is made will continue after the Games?
- We anticipate a possible flight of SB-LL2 girl athletes or less investment towards athletes from the NPCs for the prediction of results of the Games, given that it is the most important competition of the WPSB.
- People could see a conflict of interests there with this proposal that favors a member of the Classification WG from France.

Proposal about point c):

- Remove the word ONLY in the proposal:
"Merging Female sport classes LL1 and LL2 in one sport class **only** for the 2022 Paralympic Winter Games".
- Give the girls the opportunity to compete with each other in WC from next season. Although it sets a precedent but makes the possibilities of each realistic.

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MEETING DATE: 01/09/20

MEETING MINUTES:

1. COVID quarantine issues between races and also for the German fluor test.
Especially the gaps between: Dubai/Nederland, and also Canada/Norway.
2. Nations are concerned in the fact to have to spend 29 days there at Big White to compete.
3. About German fluor test, nations are asking about the Schedule and how will it work...
4. Operation of Wild Cards for WCh.

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