
EDGF Board of Directors
Virtual Meeting – Google Meet
Thursday, December 5, 2022 19:00 – 21:00 CET

Minutes

Board members present

Frank Hellstern (chair), Richard Kollar, Laura Heikkilä, Paul Francz and Tapani Aulu

1. Welcome

Frank welcomes all present at this regular monthly BoD-meeting.

2. Minutes

Minutes from the meeting of the 25th of October and 1st of November are approved.

3. EC Status of Open/Juniors and Masters EC

- Richard sees a possible problem with supporting stuff at this place (Hungary). First reactions from Hungary suggest that they have enough stuff. Si this should not become a problem. The venue is great and doesn't need so many spotters. It seems they are very experienced and effective in organizing.
- Team Captains are all named now..
- All countries are now communicating with Richard about the nomination/players eligibility.
- We still do not discuss the situation for those countries if they don't join the EDGF).
- Belgium sent incomplete docs for becoming a member of the EDGF. Paul contacted the Belgium FDA but didn't get an answer. He will try again. Maybe a problem of contact address. Paul will contact JL Tanghe again. Solved meanwhile (application arrived).
- Sweden still has not finally sorted out whether they want to become an official member. Unclear whether an unofficial membership would be sufficient. Richard is in discussion with the person in charge of Disc Golf in Sweden. Richard sent draft for a letter to Sweden with the necessary further steps. Situation was unclear whether Sweden just don't want to become a member.

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- A possible solution could be that Sweden (and Norway) become extraordinary members for 2023 and get full share of spots. For 2025 this would be no longer possible.
 - Richard asks for Sweden to talk to Frank to get the missing information about their plans. We treat Norway in a similar way. Richard sends the infos to Frank who contacts them.
 - Sweden and Norway hasn't contacted Frank so far. Meanwhile, the Norwegian Sport Association has send a membership application.
 - 18 months of residency are sufficient to start for a country in the EC (from the side of the EDGF, national rules might differ).
 - The process of nomination is running better than last time.
 - Contracts: Paul did prepare the contracts. Tapani approved it already. All comments back to Paul to finish the docs. Richard and Paul are finishing the contracts. Hungary seems to have no problems with this.

4. EC Status/next steps spot allocation/Deadlines

- For 2025, we must find a solution to get in contact with possible starters in countries that are still so far away from organized disc golf. We maybe could reach the individual members via the PDGAEuropa.
- Only GBs asked for a way to split the payment of the bill. One solution can be to offer only them to split it. If other countries come with the same question, we will respond accordingly.
- FJ18 has a problem with minimum activity. This might lead to less players. After all the nominations are in, we will communicate this and give them a chance for additional nomination. This announcement will be send to the countries asap.
- In the future, we should players' spots instead of individual spots.
- Registration will be only through a team captain!
- As soon as all lists are in Richard will finalize the final lists within a few days.
- If players are able to play different divisions the Team Captain nominates players in both division and adds the preferred division.

5. Scotland

Scotland did not comment further on our response. They are disappointed but accepted it.

6. Financial support from the PDGAE?

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdokiGBlyccyGfON7BTofb7yvrB4Qjp-Cbp0dtdkr_9VPvatw/viewform

7. EDGF Vision and Mission, Values, Goals

Mission and Vision are already a very good basis. Values and goals might need some more discussion. BoD members review the document and add if necessary questions and remarks.

This will be discussed and voted on by the next general assembly. We just want to go in this meeting with clear ideas and concepts.

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1yyqhyPhkpVjbiJBgadbOKrn3OFIlg9czDpzODu bydQpY/edit>

8. Project: Coordination of event dates within the EDGF and with other big players in the field.

- Frank startet the communication with Jeff Spring about the problem. A letter was written to Jeff. He is in holidays until the 1st of November.
- Based on the Finish solution to show the dates of different events in one spreadsheet Paul makes a proposal for the scheduling in 2024.
- Google-account: Paul has created a google account for EDGF edgf.info@gmail.com
- The google meet would cost approx. \$100 per year (no time limit per session). Paul has also created several calendars and entered the international dates known so far for 2023 (majors, DGPT, Eurotour, etc.). Sweden published today the dates of their national championships for example. Paul will test these calendars in 2023 and check if we can use them for our coordination work in 2024. Paul sends an in-official link to the homepage to test this stuff.

9. Statistics

- How can we ascertain the number of Disc Golfers in Europe? Pros, Am, Recreational players.
- Can we establish a continuous system to update this data?
- Who can we motivate to help establishing such a system?

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- Paul will formulate a mail to the members about this topic. Will follow up! We also have the WFDF census as well as the PDGA data. Can we make something out of this data?

10. Meeting of WFDF, EFDF and EDGF

- Frank has talked to Volker Schlechter. Volker suggests that the EDGF contacts the WFDF formally and asks for the leading role in organizing all DG events in Europe, especially an eventual European team championship in Disc Golf. He also suggests that at the next elections we should present a candidate for the Disc Golf position in the WFDF (chair of Disc Golf Committee).
- We should act together/in coordination with the EFDF. We could ask for support by the WFDF for this work.
- Frank tries to contact Thomas Griesbaum to get further information and insight in the situation within the WFDF.
- EFDF is discussing possible membership fees. In a first step, they will send a survey to get information about the financial situation and structures of their members. This survey will come to us too in the near future.
- EFDF has come up with a draft version of the rules of for an EFDF athletes commission. Possible candidates: Antonia Faber (GER), Peter Hüsler (CH), David Hüsler (CH),
- Paul and Frank ask. Tapani, Richard will also ask some players. Everybody will inform the board about the results of such talks as soon as possible.

11. Miscellaneous

We should organize a meeting about the country coordinators (ECs, Visions, Project). Paul checks google for free membership for our organization..

12. Junior committee

Helping the juniors players to organize communication, cooperation and compete across the borders. We set up a mail for all our members organizations that the EDGF would like to foster the youth players and are looking for people that are willing to bring their knowledge, their experience or their engagement with young Disc Golfer together.

The letter of invitation was send a first response are in (very little response so far).

13. EFDF Athletes Commission

- General assembly of the EFDF will be at the 25th of January. We will discuss this on the next meeting and schedule our assembly accordingly.
- The EFDF is also asking us about our thoughts on membership fees from us to them.

14. EDGF General Assembly

- The EFDF will held its meeting at the 25th of January. We schedule our General Assembly for the 17th of January 7pm Berlin Time
- Agenda
 - Top report of the president: this includes the relationship to the EFDF, situation of Scotland, situation of non-member countries in ECs, how should they be treated.
 - voting on our representative at the EFDF board (Frank checks whether this is necessary).
 - Discussion and voting on Visions, Mission.
 - Voting Athletes commission 2 members.
 - New members: submission letter received (see final agenda).
 - Extraordinary members and the role within the EDGF. Norway or Sweden can not be Extraordinary members following the constitution. NO Voting

Laura will provide the link to the google meeting for the GA.

15. European Women's Event 2023

PDGA Europe is having Inaugural Women's Event, played either on the 16-Sep-2023 or 17-Sep-2023. Press release:
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ujyWgYloV6RvDmpbplrTXv_SeujXGVH5/view?usp=sharing

16. Next Meeting

Regular meeting, Tuesday 3rd of January 2023, 19.00 CT