



MEETINGS MINUTES OF THE 2013 AIBA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

(July 16-18 – Jeju Island, Korea)

1. Opening Speech and Report by AIBA President

President welcomes and thanks the AIBA Vice Presidents and Executive Committee members for their presence. President is very pleased to announce that thanks to the efforts of the global boxing family, AIBA has been upgraded from group 4 to group 3 in the IOC's TV revenue sharing. Despite this decision, Women Boxing will not be able to increase the number of weight categories for the Rio 2016 Olympic Games as IOC announced that no discipline nor sport would be added for Rio.

In November, President visited AIBA's provisional member Kosovo. Towards the end of the year, President went to Algeria and in January, he paid a visit to the new President of the Italian Boxing Federation and to Cuba to discuss the future development of boxing in these countries. In Cuba, WSB was the first and key topic which was discussed and the outcome is that there is now a WSB Team in the country. In March, President visited the ASBC Asian Youth Boxing Championships in the Philippines as well as Kazakhstan where he received the highest national award which was presented to him by the Prime Minister on behalf of the President of the Republic.

Then, President attended the SportAccord Convention in St Petersburg during which he was elected as one of the seven ASOIF Council Members. In July, President attended the University Games in Kazan, Russia and he also received there an Order of Merit from the Russian Government for his dedication to sport and especially to boxing.

2. Welcome Speech by Host National Federation President

Mr Yoon Seok Chang, President of the Boxing Association of Korea, welcomes the AIBA EC to Jeju. Mr Chang takes this occasion to thank President and EC members for their trust and support in the reform process of the Boxing Association of Korea.

3. Congratulatory Speech by Host Government

Mr Hyung Sun Kim, Vice Governor of Jeju, greets all AIBA EC members and wishes everyone a pleasant stay in Jeju.

4. Award of AIBA Order of Merit

President awards the AIBA Order of Merit to Mr Arthur Tunstall from Australia for his lifelong services to boxing not only in Oceania but also worldwide.

5. Roll Call

19 members are present, 18 may vote, so there is a quorum. Mr Gofur Rakhimov, Mr Timur Kulibayev, Gen. Evgeny Murov, Mr Sandór Csötönyi, Mr Suleyman Mikayilov and Mr Volodymyr Prodyvnyuk are excused. Mr Kishen Narsi is unable to attend.

6. **Approval of Previous AIBA Extraordinary Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**

The AIBA Executive Committee approves the Minutes of the 2013 AIBA Extraordinary EC Meeting held on May 8 in Astana, Kazakhstan.

7. **Ratification of AIBA Executive Committee Bureau Decision**

Decision N°1: Amendments to AIBA Technical Rules

On May 30, 2013, the AIBA EC Bureau approved for Rule 4 of Appendix C of the AIBA Technical Rules "Coaches Management System" to be amended as follows:

4.1. For AOB Competitions, each Delegation must have at least one (1) 3-Star certified Coach. It is mandatory for each Delegation to have one (1) 3-Star certified Coach along with other level certified Coaches to work in the corner as Seconds

4.4. Article 4.1 will be applicable starting January 1, 2014

4.4.1. A grace period is applicable until December 31, 2013

this in order to give more time to all National Federations to produce a sufficient number of qualified Coaches.

The AIBA Executive Committee ratifies the above AIBA EC Bureau Decision.

8. **Report on AIBA Commission Meetings and Progress of Recommendations**

Mr Ho Kim, AIBA Executive Director, explains below recommendations from AIBA Commissions met in January 2013 in Lausanne and AIBA HQs work progress to follow up them:

(AIBA Athletes & Youth Commission)

- Create an AIBA Hope Program for Youth by having a Role Model / Ambassador program with distinguished boxers which could help educate kids/youths in school and represent the image of boxing
AIBA is waiting for further proposal and detailed plan from Commission Chairman to be worked on with the AIBA Development Department
- Educational seminars and/or workshops on anti-doping and match fixing should be organized before each event and should be added as a mandatory thing to do in the Host City Agreement
AIBA is planning to hold a seminar/workshop on anti-doping during the AIBA World Boxing Championships Almaty 2013
- LOCs should be educated with regard to safety of youth athletes
AIBA is developing instructional guidelines to be included in the invitation letters and coordination meetings
- Increase regional competitions for young athletes
AIBA can encourage National Federations via Confederations; however, it is believed that this is too complicated for AIBA to manage
- Create a post-career development program including training courses to have younger Supervisors and ITOs
This program is included in Academy Master Plan
- Each National Federation should have an Athlete & Youth Commission and women as executives

It is important that AIBA instructs and encourages this movement as soon as possible – it is proposed to send a letter to National Federations for their recommendation

- Active and/or retired athletes should be involved in each AIBA Commission
Same as above; however, no active athletes may be involved

The AIBA Executive Committee approves the recommendations made by the Athletes & Youth Commission.

(AIBA Coaches Commission)

- In AOB Competitions, gloves for men and women boxers should be as follows:
 - Boxers with a weight less than 64 kg – 8 oz
For Men and Women, 10oz gloves were maintained
 - Boxers with a weight higher than 64 kg – 10 oz
For Men, gloves weight was increased to 12 oz
For Women, 10oz gloves were maintained
- In AOB Competitions, boxers should glove up in the respective locker rooms as in WSB and APB
The Technical & Rules Commission did not accept this proposal as following the different competition rules it cannot be implemented (to be discussed further when discussing the rules)
- In the rules, the list of items the Second and Cutman can take to the FOP should be indicated
It has been included in the rules
- A detailed medical examination should be carried out before and after every competition due to removal of headguards
Current rules were amended and the most updated and detailed medical examination certificates demanded at registration
- An Extraordinary Coaches Commission meeting with invited experts should be held during the AIBA World Boxing Championships Almaty 2013
It is planned to hold a Coaches' Seminar and Commission Meeting in Almaty
- Women Coaches should be included in the AIBA Coaches Commission
It is proposed to send a letter to National Federations for their recommendation

The AIBA Executive Committee approves the recommendations made by the Coaches Commission.

(AIBA Medical Commission)

- The AIBA Medical Handbook should be placed on the AIBA website
It has been posted on the AIBA website
- After numerous medical research and data review, headguards may now be removed (Dr Butler emphasizes that there is no proof headguards prevent concussion)
It is done and this rule will start from the AIBA World Boxing Championships Almaty 2013; President adds that there is still a need to convince IOC

- A specific training program should be developed for APB Ringside Doctors
It is most urgent to hold a Ringside Doctors Training and Certification Program starting in September 2013
- For cut without headguards, a particular attention to technique of “clinching” should be observed, this in addition to «Keeping Heads Up» and other coaching safety techniques
This point will be emphasized when training the Referees and the Coaches
- An institution of a “Knock Out Doping” anti-doping education program should be created
Need to discuss with the Commission for detailed plans

The AIBA Executive Committee approves the recommendations made by the Medical Commission.

(AIBA Refereeing & Judging Commission)

Rule on Eligibility for R&Js should be changed.

Current Rule:

- A national R&J who wants to apply for a 1-Star Level upgrade must resign from his/her other duties/positions

Proposed Rule:

- The following persons cannot be active R&Js **from 1-Star** Level onwards:
 - Elected/appointed Members who are Executives of NF such as Presidents, Executive Committee Members, Secretaries General, etc.
 - Refereeing & Judging Commission, Technical & Rules Commission and Women’s Commission Members

It is proposed however to accept that R&Js who officiate at National Level only to be members of the Executive of their respective National Federation but they should not hold the position of President, Chairperson or Secretary General

- Draw Commission
 - Members of the Draw Commission should change each session
 - Members of the Draw Commission should rotate and each time appoint 1 Referee and 5 Judges

Currently Supervisors are advising the Draw Commission Chairman to implement this suggestion; however, it should be added in the rules

- Position of the Judges
 - Judges should randomly pick a ping pong ball to select their position around the ring and the R&J Coordinator will then communicate the positions to the Supervisor and the Scoring System Operator

It has been adopted and implemented

- Scoring
 - The Scoring System should randomly select 3 Judges out of 5 Judges in order to count the score
 - None of the Judges will be informed about the 3 Judges selected before announcing the winner of the bout

It has been adopted and implemented

- The new AIBA Database should include:
 - Annual Medical certification

Changed to time of registration

 - Appointments from National Level to International Level, WSB & APB

- Evaluation of performance in each competition (confidential)
It has been implemented
- The R&J Record Book should no longer exist
It will be replaced by new ID Card system from new AIBA Database when available

The AIBA Executive Committee approves the recommendations made by the R&J Commission.

(AIBA Women's Commission)

- In AOB Elite Women and Youth Competitions, a maximum of four (4) eight counts should apply in one bout. In addition, AOB Junior Competitions, a maximum of three (3) eight counts should apply in one bout
The Technical & Rules Commission will review this issue
- Breast protectors may not shield any other target area of the body, including the breastbone. Protectors must have no metal parts except if there is a fastening site at the back of boxer
That issue has been dealt with by the Technical & Rules Commission
- Women boxers to qualify through World Championships and Continental Qualifying Events. Less than 12% of women boxers to qualify through other selection process (such as Tripartite Commission)
It will be studied and proposed; however, this might be difficult to implement
- AIBA to require 10% minimum of women in Coaches' workshops
The problem is the lack of women's Coaches within National Federations
- Include at least one woman in all Commissions
It is now proposed for a decision by President
- Countries approved for Olympic Solidarity Technical Courses only if the participation of women is guaranteed
It could be reviewed; however, this will not be well received by National Federations
- AIBA to create pages on website dedicated to encouragement of former women boxers to become R&Js and Coaches
It is not necessary to dedicate separate pages as a letter to National Federations can be sent
- Women boxers to have the same Ranking System as men boxers
Yes, the same system applied now for Women
- AIBA to create a special edition of AIBA Boxing News for women's boxing, including highlights of boxers, results, history, photos
This can be done and this possibility will be reviewed for the next edition
- Include women boxers in the University Games
It is important that AIBA pushes this issue and a meeting will be conducted with FISU and an official proposal sent

- Include women member(s) in the AIBA EC
This should be further discussed in EC Meeting, but as already mentioned on several occasions, this cannot be done if National Federations do not nominate women; President once again emphasizes that the Chairwoman of the AIBA Women's Commission should be an ex officio member of the AIBA EC and that the AIBA Statutes should be modified so that this person gets voting rights

The AIBA Executive Committee approves the recommendations made by the Women's Commission.

9. Presentation of AIBA World Boxing Academy Development

Mr Ho Kim and Mr Bekzhan Bektenov, Executive Director of the Kazakhstan Boxing Federation, report on the progress of the construction of the AIBA World Boxing Academy and photos showing the different buildings and facilities are explained by Mr Alimzhan Atkayev, International Relations Coordinator of the Kazakhstan Boxing Federation.

The Academy, located in Talgar in the Almaty region, is just 40 minutes from the international airport. Mr Kim goes on by explaining that the hotel will be able to accommodate 110 people and that there is a 180 person capacity restaurant.

Mr Kim adds that there are still some key issues to be addressed such as the facilities for medical and sports science for which expert guidance is clearly needed. Mr Kim emphasizes how important it is for a solid relationship to be established early so that access to equipment for x-ray, MRI and other diagnostic tools can be utilised as needed.

AIBA needs to enter an agreement with KBF in regard to the leasing of the facilities and establish the "Academy Foundation" as the management organization. The draft of agreement has been developed and the preparation of the legal work to register the foundation has started.

10. Proposal for an African Training Center (Academy) in Algeria

Dr Abdellah Bessalem, AIBA Vice President and AFBC President, explains that further to the visit of President in Algeria earlier this year and to the discussions held with the Algerian Minister of Youth and Sports, the latter made a proposal to AIBA to have its African training center (academy) in Algeria.

President underlines the importance of teaching National Member Federations once again how to apply for Olympic Solidarity courses so that all Academies / Training Centers become fully operational.

11. Report on APB Board Meeting and Discussions on AIBA's Position against current Professional Boxing Organizations

Mr Benoît Giran, APB Managing Director starts by resuming the outcome of the APB Board meeting held the previous day. The APB Executive Board members discussed the following points:

- Review and approval of the last draft of the APB Competition Rules (for EC final approval)
- Review of the list of contracted boxers
- Establishment of a Boxers' Evaluation Committee to centralized APB Boxer's recruitment
- APB Exhibition Events 2013 Calendar

- Management of the APB Continental Ranking level in order to provide a solution to boxers from National Federations with current Dual Program
- Review of the APB Olympic Quota for Rio 2016
- Discussion of possible declaration by AIBA Executive Committee regarding recent attacks on AIBA and AIBA Pro Boxing program (by WBC for example)

President emphasizes again how the recent statement by AIBA with regard to the attack of WBC is important so that everyone understands that any boxer not belonging to an AIBA National Member Federation is ineligible to attend the Olympic Games as AIBA is and will remain the only boxing organization recognized by IOC. President adds that AIBA should be extremely careful with people from professional organizations who are trying to join AIBA National Member Federations and to gradually taking over. AIBA has to protect itself.

The AIBA Executive Committee approves to issue another strong and clear educational statement on APB and its objectives (in the name of the AIBA EC).

12. Approval of Proposed Amendments to AIBA Technical Rules and to AOB, APB and WSB Competition Rules

Before starting on the proposed amendments to the various rules, Mr Ho Kim would like to report on a very important issue with regard to APB and its competition principles. The issue concerns boxers and in particular boxers from National Federations with a dual boxing program (thus managing both amateur and professional boxing). Some boxers were refused as not qualified to be APB world ranking boxers. These National Federations are working on getting more funds from their respective government or NOC in order to embrace these professional boxers and create a national ranking program. Until then, they would like AIBA and/or APB to support them. This whole problem was discussed a the solution which needs the AIBA Executive Committee approval is to organize APB Continental level competitions for the National Federations concerned until a national ranking competition is organized in each country.

The AIBA Executive Committee approves to organize APB Continental level competitions for National Federations with a dual boxing program.

Ms Ameline Gerbel, AIBA Sport Director, starts by presenting the proposed amendments to the AIBA Technical Rules (and later to the AOB Competition Rules).

(AIBA Technical Rules)

Rule 1 – Membership

- Current Rule:
 - 1.1. All Boxers, Coaches, Officials, National Federation Members must be members of their National Federation, Confederation and AIBA to participate in national and international AIBA Competitions.
- Proposed Rule:
 - 1.1. All Boxers, Team Officials, Supervisors, ITOs and National Federation office holders must be members of their National Federation in order to be eligible to participate in AIBA Competitions.

At this point, Mr Kim mentions that the words “must be members of their National Federation, Confederation and AIBA” must remain in the proposed rule.

- Additional Rule:
1.2. All Referees & Judges must be members of their National Federation or, alternatively, licensed by AIBA.
Rationale: Referees & Judges must have the opportunity to be independent from their National Federation.
- Additional Rule:
1.3. When registering for any AIBA Competition, all Boxers and Team Officials must provide a copy of their current passport. No other proof of identity will be accepted.
Rationale: To identify the nationality of all accredited persons in a competition.
- Additional Rule:
1.4. Except in cases where Rule 1.2.1. of the APB Competition Rules applies, any Boxer who has participated in any Bout or event organized or promoted by any professional boxing or organization or promoter (other than, BMA, AIBA or WSB (or a promoter or event organizer authorized by BMA, AIBA or WSB)) will not be permitted to compete in any AIBA Competition at any level (at this point it is requested to write better wordings as the above is difficult to understand).
- Additional Rule:
1.5. If a Boxer, having competed in AOB, WSB or APB, competes in any Bout or event organized or promoted by any professional boxing or organization or promoter (other than BMA, AIBA or WSB or a promoter or event organizer authorized by BMA, AIBA or WSB) then such Boxer will not be eligible to compete in any AIBA Competition at any level again (at this point it is requested to write better wordings as the above is difficult to understand).
- Additional Rule:
1.6. Any Boxer who has competed professionally in any Combat Sport will not be eligible to compete in any AIBA Competition at any level.
Definition: “**Combat Sports**” means any of the following sports: Aikido, Fencing, Judo, Ju-jitsu, Karate, Kendo, Kickboxing, Muaythai, Sambo, Savate, Sumo, Taekwondo, Wrestling and Wushu (at this point, Ms Gerbel mentions that Boxing except AIBA will be added; it is also requested to include MMA, K1, etc.).

President thinks that the words “Combat Sports” should be removed and to write only the words “following sports”. Fencing should also be removed. Mr Osvaldo Bisbal, AIBA EC Member, proposes to use the words “individual physical contact sport” instead of “Combat Sports”.

- Additional Rule:
1.7. In order to be eligible to compete in an AIBA Competition, at any level, a Boxer who has competed at an amateur level in any Combat Sport must submit an application to the AIBA Eligibility Committee. The AIBA Eligibility Committee will review each application based on the information submitted and the guidelines and criteria developed by the Committee. The applying Boxer will only be eligible to compete in an AIBA Competition where the AIBA Eligibility Committee has deemed him or her to be eligible. The decision of the AIBA Eligibility Committee will be final and not subject to appeal or challenge (either by the Boxer or third parties).
- Additional Rule:
1.8. If any Boxer having received an authorization from the AIBA Eligibility Committee, in accordance with Rule 1.7 of these Rules, participates again in a Combat Sport, at any level, such Boxer will be automatically ineligible to compete in any AIBA Competition at any level and will not be permitted to reapply to the AIBA Eligibility Committee.
- Definition: “AIBA Eligibility Committee” means a committee established by AIBA in order to assess the eligibility of boxers to compete in AIBA Competitions.

Rule 2 – Boxer’s Qualification

- Current Rule:
2.1.1.2. In order for an Annual Medical Examination to be valid, the examination must have been (i) completed by a qualified Medical Doctor, (ii) no later than 12 months before the date of the relevant competition...
- Proposed Rule:
2.1.1.2. In order for a Medical Examination to be valid, the examination must have been (i) completed by a qualified Medical Doctor, (ii) **no later than by the period defined in Rule 2.1.4, ...**
Rationale: The Medical Examination should not be done on an annual basis but on a shorter period.
- Current Rule:
2.1.4. An Annual Medical Certification must be submitted online through the AIBA Database yearly:
2.1.4.1. AOB – By January 31 or at least during the registration period of the first AOB Competition of the year;
2.1.4.2. APB – At least one month prior to the start of every two cycles of the Boxer;
2.1.4.3. WSB – During the registration period or at least three weeks prior the start of the season or prior to the first contest.
- Proposed Rule:
2.1.4. A Medical Certification (form) must be submitted online through the AIBA Database:
2.1.4.1. AOB – At registration period of each AOB Competition;
2.1.4.2. WSB – During the registration period or at least three weeks prior the start of the season or prior to the first contest.
- *Rationale:* Medical Certification should be conducted before each competition to ensure accurate information.

At this point, Dr Bessalem underlines that to submit a Medical Certification before each AOB Competition is irrational as the costs to National Federations will be very high. On the Medical Certification form, the word “annual” should be removed.

Rule 5 – Protests

- Current Rule:
5.3. The process to lodge a protest is detailed in each of the Competition Rules:
5.3.1. AOB Competition Rules
5.3.2. APB Competition Rules
5.3.3. WSB Competition Rules
- Proposed Rule:
5.3. A protest may only be lodged in AOB Competition. The process to lodge a protest is detailed in AOB Competition Rules.
5.4. In APB and WSB Competitions, no protests against the performance of the Referees & Judges will be permitted. The decision of the Supervisor will be final.

Rule 12 – AIBA Referee & Judge Management

- Additional Rule:
12.2. All R&Js in all AIBA programs must sign a Code of Conduct attached in Appendix D. At this point, Mr Kim underlines that this will be done on an annual basis (Annual Code of Conduct).

Appendix B - R&J Management System

- Additional Rule:
1.1.2.4. Any R&J active in professional boxing (other than WSB and/or APB) is not eligible to be a R&J in an AIBA Competition at any level unless this R&J has resigned from any involvement in professional boxing for a period of at least six (6) months prior he/she is certified by AIBA as a registered R&J.
Rationale: No professional R&Js should be allowed to officiate in AIBA Competitions.
- Additional Rule:
7.1. Certified R&Js are allowed to officiate as follows:
7.1.1. 1-Star R&Js: AOB National Competitions (Dual competitions and Confederation tournaments);
7.1.2. 2-Star R&Js: AOB National Competitions, AOB Continental Competitions except Men Elite Continental Championships and APB National Ranking Competitions (except Title Bout);
7.1.3. 3-Star R&Js: All AIBA Competitions, including AOB, APB and WSB.
- *Rationale:* Clarification of the rule.

(AOB Competition Rules)

Rule 2 – Eligibility of Boxers

- Rule to be removed:
2.3.2. Boxers who have been involved in any professional boxing or any other professional combat sport than boxing will not be permitted to compete at any level, except as stated in the APB Competition Rules and/or the WSB Competition Rules.
Rationale: Covered in AIBA Technical Rules.

Rule 11 – Field of Play (FOP)

- A drawing of the FOP is shown and indicated that it is proposed to move the Referees' Evaluator behind the Supervisor, to move the Announcer at the back so that he/she does not have any view access on the screen of the Supervisor, to move Judge 4 at the top next to Judge 3 so that it gives more space to Judge 5 and that the Coaches of the blue corner do no longer see the scores of Judges 4 and 5 who were together before.
Rationale:
 - The Referees' Evaluator does not need to be on ringside
 - The side of Judge 4 & Judge 5 is too busy
 - Therefore, Judge 4 score can be seen by the coaches
 - The Announcer does not need to be next to the Supervisor.
- Proposed Rule:
It is proposed that the Timekeeper and the Gong Operator are the same person.
Rationale: To reduce the number of people on the ringside and be consistent with APB and WSB.

At this point, Mr Kim suggests showing on the FOP drawing the existence of the Draw Commission table and of the Equipment Manager table (exact location up to the Supervisor's decision).

Mr Luiz Boselli, AIBA EC Member and Vice Chairman of the AIBA Technical & Rules Commission is of the opinion that the Supervisor should be positioned alone in the center alongside the ring and away from the TV Graphics Operator who should be positioned beside the Announcer.

Appendix A – Duties of and Guidelines for Competition Officials

- Additional Rule:
3.5. The Judges' Evaluator will have the responsibility to control the behavior and attitude of the Judges during each Bout including during the rest period between rounds.
- Rationale: To ensure concentration of Judges throughout all Bouts.

Ms Gerbel indicates that there is a last proposal referring to the AOB Competition Rules. At the moment, the Draw Commission chooses 1 (one) Referee and 5 (five) Judges and the Supervisor approves this selection whereas it is now proposed to remove the fact that the Supervisor has to approve the Draw Commission selection and to leave this task to the Chairman of the Draw Commission (without the involvement of the Supervisor).

(APB Competition Rules)

Mr Benoit Giran, APB Managing Director, presents the proposed amendments to the APB Competition Rules.

Rule 1 – Eligibility of Boxers

- Amendment
1.1.3. Any boxer participating in any other professional combat sports shall not be allowed to take part in APB events. It is suggested to insert a new clause in the AIBA Technical Rules to address the eligibility of professional and amateur combat sports athletes in AIBA Competitions.

Rule 7 – APB Field of play (FOP)

- A drawing of the FOP is shown and Mr Giran indicates that the APB FOP is based on the WSB FOP. The position of the Announcer has been changed to the left side of the Supervisor, the TV Graphics Operator on the right side of the Supervisor and the two Ringside Doctors have been put back on the right side of the Supervisor (nearby the stairs as for AOB). The Timekeeper has been moved to the right side of the ring and as for AOB, the position of Judge 4 has been moved on the top of the ring. The photographers space was reduced in the neutral corner. Mr Boselli emphasizes again that the TV Graphics Operator should be on the left side beside the Announcer so that the Supervisor is positioned alone in the center alongside the ring. Mr Giran adds that the positions of the Commentators have been put outside of the FOP and that this Field of Play will apply for APB and WSB.

Rule 8 – APB Supervisor

- Amendment
8.4. For World and Continental Level Bouts, the APB Supervisor can be from the same country as either Boxer; however, from a different country than the host country.

Rule 11 – Eligibility of R&Js

- Amendment
11.7. Any person who acts in any capacity including as an office holder in any professional boxing organization other than AIBA, and organizations or associations affiliated to AIBA shall be ineligible to serve as an APB Referee & Judge.
It is suggested to insert a new clause 1.1.2.4 in Appendix B (AIBA R&J Management System) of the Technical Rules:

1.1.2.4 Any R&J active in professional boxing (other than WSB and/or APB) is not eligible to be a R&J in an AIBA Competition at any level unless this R&J has resigned from any involvement in professional boxing for a period of at least six (6) months and is certified by AIBA as a registered R&J.”

(WSB Competition Rules)

Mr Karim Bouzidi, WSB CEO, presents the proposed amendments to the WSB Competition Rules.

Rule 1 – Classification of Boxers

- Current Rule 1.2. Weight Categories

1.2.1 The Weight Categories in which a Boxer may compete in the World Series of Boxing are as follows:

Weight Category	Minimum Weight (kg)	Maximum Weight (kg)
Bantam	50	54
Light	57	61
Middle	68	73
Light Heavy	80	85
Heavy	91	---

- Proposed Rule 1.2.1

The Weight Categories in which a Boxer may compete in the World Series of Boxing are as follows:

Weight Category	Minimum weight	Maximum weight
Light Fly	46	49
Fly	49	52
Bantam	52	56
Light	56	60
Light Welter	60	64
Welter	64	69
Middle	69	75
Light Heavy	75	81
Heavy	81	91
Super Heavy	91	---

Rationale: To standardize weight categories across all AIBA programs.

- Current Rule 1.3

Each Franchise shall have a minimum of fifteen (15) Boxers in its Squad. There is no upper limit on the number of Boxers that a Franchise may have in its Squad.

- Proposed Rule 1.3

Each Franchisee must have a minimum of twenty (20) Boxers in its Squad. There is no upper limit on the number of Boxers that a Franchisee may have in its Squad.

Rationale: To ensure a minimum of 2 boxers per weight category.

Rule 2 – Eligibility of Boxers

- Current Rule 2.1.5

Each Franchise has to submit its team roster of five (5) Boxers to the WSB at the latest one hundred and twenty (120) hours prior to the start time of the upcoming WSB match.

- Proposed Rule now under 2.2 Registration
2.2.1 Each Franchisee has to submit its Team roster of 10 (ten) Boxers (5 proposed starting Boxers and 5 reserve Boxers) to WSB at the latest 10 (ten) days (240 hours) prior to the start time of the upcoming WSB Match.
In the case of the second leg of the Playoff Matches (other than the Final), the Team roster must give details of 12 Boxers (5 proposed starting Boxers, 5 reserve Boxers, proposed Sudden Death Bout Boxer and reserve Sudden Death Bout Boxer). In the case of the WSB Team Final, the Team roster must give details of 22 Boxers (10 proposed starting Boxers, 10 reserve Boxers, 1 Sudden-Death Bout Boxer and 1 Sudden Death Bout reserve Boxer).

Rationale: It provides more time for promotion of the Bouts as well as for logistical preparations (visas and travel). Having mandatory reserve Boxers will avoid walkovers in case of last minute unavailability of the Boxer.

At this point, Mr Smith proposes to change the name of “Sudden Death” to “Tie-Breaker”.

- Current Rule 2.1.7
[...] To effect the registration of a Boxer, the Franchise must send WSB the following documents:
 - Copy of the passport of the Boxer
 - Copy of the Boxer Employment Agreement, duly signed by all parties
 - Copy of the Annual Medical Examination, duly signed or stamped by the doctor who examined the respective Boxer
- Proposed Rule 2.2.3
[...] Each Season, to effect the registration of a Boxer, the Franchise must send WSB the following documents:
 - Copy of the passport of the Boxer
 - Copy of the Boxer Employment Agreement, duly signed by all parties
 - Copy of the Medical Examination as set out in the WSB Medical Rules, duly signed and stamped by the Doctor who examined the Boxer.

WSB must formally approve and confirm the registration of a Boxer before that Boxer will be considered to be registered for the relevant season.

Rationale: To unify the wording among all rules and to set a proper process for boxers' registration.

At this point, and as safety and health of Boxers and Medical Examination are discussed, Mr Kim proposes for the medical certification to be valid for 3 months in all AIBA Competitions.

In this case, for example in AOB Competitions, if one boxer is certified, then he/she can participate to at least 2-3 competitions with just 1 certificate and a WSB boxer would need 2 Medical Examinations maximum for the entire season. The Medical Certification Form therefore needs to be revised.

Rule 10 – Gloves

- Current Rule
Boxers shall put on their boxing gloves in the ring after having their bandages approved by the Referee.
- Proposed Rule 10.5
Boxers must put on their boxing gloves in the respective locker room in the presence of a WSB Inspector (after discussions, it is decided to use a local person appointed by the Franchisee).

Rationale: Because of new lace closure gloves, they need to be put on in the locker rooms.

Appendix C – Gloves

- Current Rule
Only boxing gloves with a Velcro closure system may be used.
- Proposed Rule 10.5
Only boxing gloves with lace closure systems may be used.

Rationale: Not possible to use Velcro gloves with the pro bandages.

Rule 11 – Bandages

- Current Rule
In all categories, the bandage shall be made of no more than twelve (12) meters by five (5) centimeters wide of crepe and gauze, and no more than two and half (2.50) meters of surgeon's tape of two and half (2.50) centimeters wide for each hand.
- Proposed Rule 11.3.2
In all Weight Categories, bandages must be a maximum of fifteen (15) meters length per hand and five (5) centimeters width of Gauze;

Rationale: Important that an independent person checks the correct application of bandages.

- Current Rule
Bandages must be applied in the dressing room and cross checked and signed off by the Franchisee Bandage Inspector.
- Proposed Rule 11.2
Bandages must be applied in the locker rooms, in the presence of an authorized WSB Inspector. The WSB Inspector will sign off directly on the bandage verifying its compliance as outlined below.

Rationale: Consistency with APB Competitions.

Rule 12 – Competition Uniform

- Proposed Rule 12.4 (Added)
Teams must wear their team uniform during the Weigh-In, press conferences, team presentations during events and for other WSB marketing and promotional activities.

Rationale: To improve the image of WSB boxers through adequate attire at official events.

Rule 13 – Protests

- Added Rule
No protest will be permitted against the performance of the Referees & Judges. The decision of the Supervisor will be final.

Rationale: Many protests are submitted without any valid reason. The Supervisor has the power to correct technical errors and issues. Uniformity with APB Competition Rules.

Appendix A – Duties of the Supervisor

- Added Rule
During the technical meeting check the gloves to be used by each Boxer to ensure that they comply with Rule 10 and Appendix A of these Rules.

Rationale: Ensuring that all gloves are analyzed and the issue of non-used gloves respected during the competition.

Appendix D – Competition Schedule

- Rule 3.1.2 (Added)

Where a Boxer (or his Team) gives a walkover in respect of a Bout in which he is scheduled to participate, that Bout will not be considered as a Bout for the purpose of considering the number of Bouts that Boxer has participated in during a Season.

Rationale: To let prevail the individual performance of the Boxer and to not damage the individual ranking for matters that may be team related.

The AIBA Executive Committee approves the proposed amendments to the AIBA Technical Rules, AOB, APB and WSB Competition Rules.

13. Presentation of Proposed Rio 2016 Olympic Qualifying Guidelines

(Qualification for Men)

Mr Kim first underlines that the quota of 250 boxers for the London 2012 Olympic Games was calculated as follows: WSB 5, AIBA World Boxing Championships Baku 2011 92, Continental Qualifying Competitions 140, Tripartite Commission 8 and Host Country 5.

For the Rio 2016 Olympic Games, it is proposed to distribute the quota of 250 boxers as follows: Qualification 245, Host Country 5, Tripartite Commission according to the first 3 „unused“ quotas (to be eligible for Tripartite places, boxers must have participated in at least 2 qualification competitions) thus 150 from AOB Competitions (Host Country, AIBA World Boxing Championships 2015, AIBA World Olympic Qualifying Competition 2016 and Tripartite Commission), 70 from APB Competitions (40 from Continental Games 2014+2015, 30 from APB World Ranking Cycle before January 31, 2016) and 30 from WSB Competitions (WSB Individual Ranking at the end of the regular season 2015), weight categories distributed as follows:

Weight Categories	Quota Rio 2016	Quota London 2012
46-49kg	20 ↓	26
52kg	26	26
56kg	28	28
60kg	28	28
64kg	28	28
69kg	28	28
75kg	28	28
81kg	26	26
91kg	20 ↑	16
91kg+	18 ↑	16

Therefore, there will be a decrease in the total number of quotas for 46-49kg and an increase in the total number of quotas for 91kg and 91+kg

Rationales:

- Over the last 4 to 5 years, the number of entries in major competitions (including World Boxing Championships and Continental Boxing Championships) are similar in 46-49kg and 91kg weight categories
- The number of quality super heavyweight boxers has increased over the last 4 to 5 years

President proposes for the APB quotas to only be from the APB World Ranking Cycle and not to have any quota from Continental Games. After discussions, it is proposed to review this issue at a later stage.

The AIBA Executive Committee approves the proposed Rio 2016 Olympic Qualifying Guidelines for Men.

(Qualification for Women)

The quota of 36 boxers for the London 2012 Olympic Games was calculated as follows: AIBA World Women's Boxing Championships Qinhuangdao 2012 24 Tripartite Commission 11 and Host Country 1.

For the Rio 2016 Olympic Games, the quota of 36 boxers will be calculated as follows: Qualification 33 as follows (same distribution of weight categories thus 12 each):

AIBA Women's World Boxing Championships 2016 – 18 quotas

- 6 boxers in each weight category
 - Top 4 ranked boxers
 - 2 boxers - box-off competition: ranked #5 against ranked #8 and ranked #6 against ranked #7

World Olympic Qualifying Competition 2016 – 15 quotas

- 5 boxers in each weight category
 - Top 4 ranked boxers
 - 1 boxer - box-off competition: ranked #5 against ranked #6

Host Country 1 and Tripartite Commission 2.

The AIBA Executive Committee approves the proposed Rio 2016 Olympic Qualifying Guidelines for Women.

14. Final Report on WSB 3rd Season and Plans for 4th Season

Mr Karim Bouzidi, WSB CEO, first explains the competition format of the WSB 3rd Season. 12 Franchise Teams were competed in 2 groups, 5 weight categories in 60 Regular Season Matches + 12 Playoff Matches + Final. 283 boxers from 41 nationalities were involved (43 London Olympians and 13 Olympic medalists as well as 12 World Championships medalists). The Team Finals were held on May 10 and 11, 2013 in Astana in front of 10,000 spectators (5,000 daily) and were won by the Astana Arlans over Ukraine Otamans 6-5.

Mr Bouzidi goes on by indicating that there was a decrease in the number of bouts stopped as the level of boxing is more equal. Now, boxers adapt their style to WSB, are better prepared and more experienced, as well as coaches, and ringside doctors and referees get a better education.

At this point, President asks what sanctions boxers who tested positive got and emphasizes once more the importance of the education on anti-doping.

Mr Bouzidi then mentioned that 15 Supervisors from 13 different countries were used in 3rd Season. It is clear that WSB Competition needs more Supervisors. A total of 39 R&Js from 31 different countries were used (5 new R&Js joined after the last workshop held in Incheon, Korea).

With regard to the use of boxers, there was no more an obligation to have 1 international boxer per line-up and teams could have a maximum of 40% of international boxers. WSB applies a maximum of 5 national exceptions to the registration periods throughout the whole season. 32 national exceptions were used in total which is an average of 2.7 exceptions per team (10 out of 12 teams used this option).

An average attendance of 1217 spectators (target was 1000) in the Regular Season and Playoff Matches. On the media side, the WSB brand is well established in the sporting landscape as the **only** global boxing league and key media are now more engaged and are constantly covering WSB. There is a general positive sentiment about WSB in the press, online and in social media and subscriptions have greatly increased (8 teams even created their own fan community in social media). WSB 3rd Season saw 19 broadcasters in total and 98 countries were covered. There were 7 new broadcasters for the Playoffs and Finals covering more than 80 countries around the world.

To conclude, Mr Bouzidi confirms that the quality of the events improved a lot and that the level of the WSB bouts is much stronger. The media interest increased as well as the number of fans. The brand as the “only global boxing league in the world” is now well established.

With regard to WSB 4th Season, Mr Bouzidi announces that WSB has set the following few objectives (and he explains them in detail as well as their implementation plan) to really become a worldwide standard quality product:

- Sport - Raise the level of all actors involved in the Competition
 - Set a competition calendar in advance (done → Official Draw took place on July 2)
- Event - Create standardized and recognizable events to increase ticket sales
 - Secure the WSB Final for 4th Season (bidding to be launched next week)
 - Stage the first exhibition match in history of WSB (Mexico-Cuba, August 29/30)
- Marketing - Attract sponsors to the league and improve marketing approach of all 12 teams
- Communication - Develop main communication tools and penetrate deeper in Franchisees' markets
 - Develop a WSB Database and prepare the merging with AIBA Database

Mr Bouzidi is pleased to announced that the number of weight categories has been increased from 5 to 10 in order to have more boxers participating and that the biggest nation in the history of amateur boxing, Cuba, has joined and will enter its national team in the league. He explains the competition calendar and the groups which were decided by a draw held on July 2 in Lausanne.

The AIBA Executive Committee approves the Final Report on the WSB 3rd Season and the Plans for the 4th Season.

15. Progress Report on BMA (Boxing Marketing Arm)

Mr Kim starts by explaining that BMA was registered one year ago. BMA is now registering the primary investor who funded 10 Million USD to get 20% shares. BMA has been seeking to raise significant funds in order to manage the 3 core competition programs: AOB, WSB and APB.

Mr Kim adds that BMA will market all APB Exhibition Matches and continue contracting APB boxers. The AIBA World Championships Almaty 2013 will be the main stage of contracting all APB World Ranking boxers. In addition, BMA will launch its PR program to develop its image and awareness in the international sports market during the APB Exhibition Matches as well as market the WSB Exhibition Match in Mexico.

Concerning administration plans, BMA has currently a total of 6 staff and will maintain its current management until an investor is found. For the moment, BMA prefers to work with outside professional marketing and TV experts as well as agencies to generate marketing revenues for AOB, WSB and APB competitions, rather than hiring internal staff.

16. Report on AIBA Disciplinary Cases

Ms Aine Power, AIBA Senior Legal Manager, goes through a review of the various disciplinary cases AIBA has been dealing with recently:

Mr Pavel Krpec (R&J from Czech Republic)

- AIBA DC concluded that the conduct of Mr Krpec during the Brandenburg Cup engaged to misconduct against a Competition Official and brought the sport of boxing into disrepute.
- Mr Krpec was suspended from acting as an R&J at any level for a period of 3 years, starting as of January 28, 2013 and fined CHF 500.

Mr Alfredo Garcia Perez (Referee & TD from Spain)

- AIBA DC concluded that Mr Garcia Perez (i) acted outside his duties while a TD and (ii) engaged in misconduct against a Competition Official during the Brandenburg Cup and violated the AIBA Code of Conduct.
- Mr Garcia Perez was suspended from acting as an AIBA Official at any level for a period of 1 year, starting as of January 8, 2013 and fined CHF 500.

Gen. Vladimer Akhalkatsi from Georgia

- AIBA DC concluded that Gen. Akhalkatsi should be issued with a letter of warning for his failure to exercise good judgment with respect to the AIBA Principles of Conduct, the AIBA Principles of Responsibility and the Code of Conduct which he signed during the AIBA Youth World Championships in Yerevan 2012.

17. Approval of Proposed Amendments to AIBA Bylaws, Disciplinary Code, Procedural Rules and Anti-Doping Rules

Ms Power first starts with the proposed amendments to the AIBA Bylaws:

Chapter 4: Exclusion and Suspension of National Federations

Article 14 – Suspension

To be added: "If a National Federation is suspended in accordance with Article 17.1 of the AIBA Statutes, the Executive Committee and/or the EC Bureau or the Disciplinary Commission must specify the length of the suspension. If the suspension is for a period of one year or more, then boxers and coaches from the suspended National Federation shall not be permitted to participate in any AIBA Competition. Officials from the suspended National Federation shall not be permitted to participate in any AIBA Competition for the duration of the period of suspension. If the suspension is for a period of less than one year, then Boxers and Coaches from the suspended National Federation shall be permitted to participate in AIBA Competitions provided such Boxers and Coaches are sent to the event by the National Olympic Committee to which such suspended National Federation is affiliated. Officials from the suspended National Federation shall not be permitted to participate in any AIBA Competition for the duration of the period of suspension. The Boxers shall participate under the AIBA flag, the AIBA anthem shall be used instead of the anthem of the suspended National Federation and the Boxers' and Coaches' uniform shall not bear any symbol or color of the suspended National Federation.

Communication between AIBA and Suspended National Federation

If the suspension is for a period of less than one year, the suspended National Federation shall be permitted to communicate with AIBA Headquarters.

If the suspension is for a period of one year or more, the suspended National Federation shall only be entitled to communicate with AIBA Headquarters via one designated official (such representative to be approved by AIBA). For the avoidance of doubt no communication is permitted between a suspended National Federation and other National Federations.

Chapter 9: AIBA Professional Boxing - World Series of Boxing – Article 30

To be added: “It is prohibited for an Official to enter into a franchise agreement (either personally or through the use of a company with which the Official, or an affiliate of the Official, is associated) with the World Series of Boxing SA (WSB SA).”

Chapter 10: National Federation Statutes, Bylaws, Constitutions, Elections

Article 34 - Election of National Federation Officers

Article 34.1 (c) – To be amended: “The affiliation to a professional boxing organization of any elected officer of a National Federation, it being understood that where any such elected/appointed officer has held any position within, or has been affiliated to, any professional boxing entity (other than World Series of Boxing and/or APB), including as a Boxer, Coach or Trainer, such officer must have resigned at least six (6) months prior to the relevant election/appointment taking place. Such officer shall not be entitled to hold any position within, or be affiliated to, any professional boxing organization (other than World Series of Boxing and/or APB) for so long as such officer is an Official of his/her National Federation. This Art. 34.1(c) shall not apply to Officials of National Federations to which Art. 8.3 of the AIBA Statutes applies;”

At this point, Mr Kim recommends to remove the sentence “such officer must have resigned at least six (6) months prior to the relevant election/appointment taking place” and to not authorize anyone having had an affiliation to a professional boxing organization (it was later decided to go on a case by case basis).

Article 34.1 - To be added: “No National Federation’s elections (or appointments) shall be recognized by AIBA unless the following information is sent to the AIBA Headquarters at least one (1) month before the proposed date of the elections:

- a) Date and place of General Assembly or Congress;*
- b) List of nominations for Presidency and Executive Committee (together with proof of their eligibility);*
- c) Agenda;*
- d) List of delegates; and*
- e) Copy of most recent National Federation statutes, articles, constitution or bylaws in English. Such documentation must be reviewed and approved by AIBA before any election may take place*

Upon receipt of the above documentation, AIBA will review it and make a decision whether or not an election at a General Assembly/Congress may be carried out.”

Article 34.2 - To be added: “As soon as possible (and no later than 1 (one) week) after a National Federation has held elections, it shall send the results of such elections to AIBA. The National Federation shall notify AIBA of the identity of all persons who were elected or appointed to positions at the elections.”

Article 34.4 – To be added: “Failure by any National Federation to comply with Art. 33 and Art. 34 above, shall result in the non-acceptance of the election results and suspension of all the National Federation’s membership rights until such time as new elections have been carried out in accordance with the AIBA Statutes and Bylaws.”

Chapter 11: Executive Committee Member Eligibility - Article 35 – Eligibility

Article 35.4 – To be amended: “Where an AIBA EC Member has been absent from two (2) consecutive EC Meetings, the EC Bureau shall be entitled to propose the removal of that EC Member from the EC Committee.

Upon receipt of such a proposal from the EC Bureau, the President has the power to remove the relevant EC Member and appoint a replacement in accordance with Art. 37.3(A) and (B) of the AIBA Statutes.”

At this point, President underlines that EC Members not attending should send a letter and that it should be up to him to decide whether the excuse for not attending can be considered as valid or not.

The AIBA Executive Committee approves the Proposed Amendments to the AIBA Bylaws.

Ms Power and Mr Tom Virgets (Chairman of AIBA Disciplinary Commission) continue with the proposed amendments to the AIBA Disciplinary Code. Each AIBA EC Member has been distributed with a briefing document setting out all proposed changes to the AIBA Disciplinary Code. All AIBA, APB and WSB Competitions have been incorporated into only 1 (one) set of disciplinary rules to have uniformity of decisions and consistency. Some adjustments are requested in terms of fines (if APB or WSB).

The AIBA Executive Committee approves the Proposed Amendments to the AIBA Disciplinary Code.

Ms Power goes on with the proposed amendments to the AIBA Procedural Rules. Each AIBA EC Member has been distributed with a briefing document setting out all proposed changes to the AIBA Procedural Rules. The only change is that the Procedural Rules now also apply to APB and WSB.

The AIBA Executive Committee approves the Proposed Amendments to the AIBA Procedural Rules.

Ms Power ends with the proposed amendments to the AIBA Anti-Doping Rules. Each AIBA EC Member has been distributed with a briefing document setting out all proposed changes to the AIBA Anti-Doping Rules. There is now one set of Anti-Doping Rules covering AIBA, APB and WSB Competitions. An Anti-Doping Panel has been appointed by President for all anti-doping matters.

The AIBA Executive Committee approves the Proposed Amendments to the AIBA Anti-Doping Rules.

18. Bidding Presentations for 2015 AIBA World Boxing Championships and Decision

The first bid, Bangkok, is presented by the Thailand Boxing Federation. Mr Pichai Chunhawachira, President, introduces the delegation. A short film is shown and discussions on conditions (accommodation, transportation, visa issuance, etc.) follow.

The second bid, Doha, is presented by the Qatar Boxing Federation. Mr Yousuf Al-Kazim, Secretary General, introduces the delegation. He emphasizes how it would be fantastic to take the AIBA World Boxing Championships to a new region which has recently proven on many occasions his capability of hosting big scale events.

President then appoints Mr David Francis (AIBA Treasurer), Mr Ricardo Contreras Hernandez (AIBA Legal Counsel) and Mr Tom Virgets (AIBA Disciplinary Commission Chairman) as scrutineers.

The AIBA Executive Committee approves for the 2015 AIBA World Boxing Championships to be held in Doha, Qatar.

Then, a pre-host city agreement is signed by the representatives from Qatar.

19. Confederation Reports and Approval of Confederation Competition Calendars

Each Confederation President (Mr Aziz Kozhambetov for ASBC and Mr Terry Smith for EUBC) presents his report on general activities which took place in 2012 and 2013, on competitions, membership activities, business plan, finances, budget, conclusions and recommendations. The latter are as follows:

AFBC

There is a need to improve Officials (Coaches and R&Js) as well as equipment quality and participation to competitions. Finance is also a major issue in Africa.

AMBC

There is a need to encourage National Federations to organize more seminars for R&Js as well as to look at strategies to increase income and help poorer NFs. Direct communication with NFs is also a must.

ASBC

There is a need to go on increasing the progresses made in all sectors as well as to encourage and recruit young officials. The ongoing attraction of strategic partners and sponsors is important too.

EUBC

In the next 6 months, there is a need to redefine the qualification of R&Js and Coaches. This must be done together with the AIBA Development and Sport Departments. President emphasizes how important it is for EUBC to hire an Executive Director as soon as possible.

OCBC

There is a need to set up a scholarship fund for boxers from small island nations to attend training camps and be able to compete in Australia and New Zealand. Funding support for developing and emerging nations should be set up to conduct boxers, coaches and R&Js' workshops twice a year.

Each Confederation competition calendar is then presented by Ms Gerbel. She explains that only major and important competitions are mentioned.

The AIBA Executive Committee approves the Confederation Reports and Confederation Competition Calendars.

20. Approval of AIBA Competition Calendar

The 2014 AIBA Competition Calendar and AIBA Multisport Competition Calendar are reviewed and also approved by the AIBA Executive Committee.

21. Special Report on Investigation on ABAE and BABA

Ms Power explains that on May 28, 2013, ABS (Amateur Boxing Scotland) and ABAE (Amateur Boxing Association of England) voted to remove Mr Derek Mapp as BABA Independent Chairman. UK Sport issued BABA with an ultimatum to urgently address specific governance issues within the BABA Board otherwise it would withdraw funding from the GB Boxing Program. AIBA commenced an investigation on ABAE and BABA issues..

On March 5, 2013: ABAE receives email from a member claiming WSB Boxers should not be allowed to participate in English Championships. On March 6, 2013, ABAE Board Meeting voted unanimously to (i) suspend all English WSB Boxers from participating in English Championships and to (ii) refer matter to ABAE Medical Commission but ABAE Medical Commission did not meet until March 28 (3 weeks after) and it was obvious that it would be too late.

It is suggested to suspend ABAE membership rights for a period of 5 months and to require ABAE to undergo a reform process (similar to USA Boxing) by establishing a Reform Committee and to reform Articles of Association and other ABAE regulations to ensure compliance with AIBA Statutes, Bylaws and Rules. A new board should also be formed.

President proposes to first refer this matter to the AIBA Disciplinary Commission and to wait for its decision before taking further action. Mr Kim suggests to immediately provisionally fully suspend ABAE anyway. He adds that the full investigation report will be handed to the AIBA Disciplinary Commission.

The AIBA Executive Committee approves to immediately provisionally fully suspend ABAE and to refer the matter to the AIBA Disciplinary Commission before taking any further action.

22. Bidding Presentations for 2014 AIBA Congress and Decision

The first bid from Jeju Island (Korea) is presented by Mr Yoon Seok Chang, President of the Boxing Association of Korea and by representatives of the Jeju Government. A short film is shown and discussions on conditions (accommodation, transportation, visa issuance, etc.) follow.

The second bid from Antalya (Turkey) is presented by Mr Eyüp Gözgeç, AIBA EC Member and President of the Turkish Boxing Federation. A short film is shown and before starting on discussions, Mr Gözgeç declares that despite the fact that Turkey had prepared a nice presentation with excellent conditions, it is willing to withdraw its candidature as a goodwill gesture towards the newly formed Boxing Association of Korea and its newly elected president.

President thanks Mr Gözgeç for his statement about unity and friendship which is really appreciated.

The AIBA Executive Committee approves for the 2014 AIBA Congress to be held in Jeju Island, Korea.

President then announces that he is appointing Mr Yoon Seok Chang as a member of the AIBA Ethics Commission.

23. Approval of AIBA/WSB 2012–2013 Finance Audits and of AIBA/WSB 2013–2014 Budgets

Mr David Francis, AIBA Treasurer, reads the various reports issued by the Audit Company (KPMG) both for AIBA and WSB (up to June 30, 2013). He reads out the balance sheets, income statements and proposals for appropriation of available earnings. The Audit Company concluded that based on its limited statutory examination, nothing has come to its attention that causes it to believe that the financial statements do not comply with Swiss law and the company's articles of incorporation. As a consequence, the Audit Company concluded that the Association's ability to continue as a going concern can be assumed.

After the presentation of the AIBA audit report, Mr Kim underlines the following: as last year WSB made a profit of CHF 484,000 and as AIBA loaned CHF 500,000 to WSB before, it is proposed to offset the profit of the payoff next year and to take the remaining amount and erase this loan.

Mr Francis then explains the AIBA/WSB 2013-2014 budgets by showing/explaining potential incomes and expenses.

The AIBA Executive Committee approves the AIBA/WSB 2012-2013 Audit Reports and the 2013-2014 AIBA/WSB Budgets.

24. Approval of Confederation Financial Guidelines

Mr David Francis presents the new Confederation Financial Guidelines starting with the allowed expenses which are:

- Executive Director + one staff (if necessary) salaries
- President's Per Diem for attending competitions to be exactly the same amount as in the AIBA Financial Guidelines for Confederation President being also an AIBA Vice President (USD 75/day)
- Travel, accommodation and meals expenses, for President, Executive Director and staff only (AIBA and Confederation business thus official trips)
- Office equipment purchase with AIBA's approval
- Office material or stationery
- Confederation's protocol souvenirs
- General Assembly, Ordinary or Extraordinary Executive Committee and Commission Meeting organization

He goes on with the prohibited expenses which are:

- Any personal expense
- Per Diem for Executive Director and staff
- Executive Director and staff bonus
- Office maintenance (such as major repairs, renovation, etc.)

- EC members travel and accommodation expenses (to pay for accommodation for EC meeting could be considered)
- Any non-Confederation business related expense

The development budget that can be submitted to the AIBA HQs Office for funding are:

- Boxing promotion
- As per Foundation for Better Boxing Guidelines (to be revised)

Any application for funding must be submitted to the AIBA HQs Office according to the Foundation for Better Boxing Guidelines.

The AIBA Executive Committee approves the Confederation Financial Guidelines.

25. Membership Issues

Mrs Patricia Steulet goes through all membership issues.

Cameroon

The Ministry of Sports organized elections so AIBA refused to recognize the results of these elections. AIBA has now asked the NF to organize new elections but the Ministry of Sports continues to ignore AIBA's request for non-interference. It is therefore recommended that AIBA provisionally suspends the NF and orders new and fair elections to be organized as soon as possible (but within 3 months).

The AIBA Executive Committee approves this recommendation.

Cote d'Ivoire

The NF and its President are provisionally suspended and were fined by AIBA Disciplinary Commission for misconduct of women boxers at the Road to London Training Camp in Cardiff (boxers left the camp) but both the NF and the NF President failed to pay the fines.

Early 2013, elections were carried out but AIBA was informed via news articles and complaints from clubs only; therefore, AIBA refused to recognize the results of these elections as their organization represents a clear breach of the AIBA Statutes and Bylaws as they were carried out during a suspension and not at all according to AIBA's election guidelines. The NOC requested AIBA for invoices and promised to pay the fines so that the provisional suspension may be lifted as well as its help in the organization of new elections, this according to AIBA's election guidelines. It is recommended that should the fines be paid, to lift the suspension and help the NOC to organize new elections according to the AIBA Statutes and Bylaws and election guidelines.

The AIBA Executive Committee approves this recommendation.

South Africa

Elections were organized at the end of 2012 not at all according to the AIBA Statutes and Bylaws or to the AIBA's election guidelines. Therefore, AIBA refused to recognize the results of these elections AIBA has now asked the NF to organize new elections within 3 months, thus before August 10, 2013.

The AIBA Executive Committee approves this recommendation.

Uganda

After more than 2 years of fights between 2 NFs, it seems that finally, thanks to a Constitution Review Committee (formed by both groups, the NOC, etc.) an happy end might be coming soon. A Returning Officer appointed by the Constitution Review Committee will go through the list of candidates and submit it with her remarks to AIBA for approval. AIBA has now asked the NF to organize new elections within 3 months, thus before September 17, 2013 or sanctions (provisional exclusion) would apply.

The AIBA Executive Committee approves this recommendation.

Ecuador

The Ecuador NF had elections in March 2012 and Mr Alex Gonzalez Gutierrez was elected as President. In April 2012, the Ecuadorian Ministry of Sports ordered new elections to take place in 40 NFs including boxing. AIBA refused to recognize the results of these elections and to accept that a Tripartite Commission (IOC, NOC and Ministry of Sports) to reorganize elections.

It is recommended that a letter signed by both the AIBA President and the AMBC President is sent to the IOC in this regard.

The AIBA Executive Committee approves this recommendation.

Panama

Mr Jesus Rosales was elected as the NF President, for the period 2010-2014. Mr Rosales never attended any assembly / congress but attended meetings organized by the non-recognized NOC (a new NOC was formed at the request of the IOC as there has also be Government's interference in the country). In July 2012, the NF general assembly appointed Mr Tomas Cianca as Interim President and voted to expel Mr Rosales. In January 2013, the Ministry of Sport approved the minutes of the general assembly expelling Mr Rosales and appointing Mr Cianca as replacement.

It is recommended that new elections are organized as per the AIBA Statutes and Bylaws as well as AIBA's election guidelines so that new NF Executives are elected and new constitution (to be reviewed by AIBA in any case) is approved.

The AIBA Executive Committee approves this recommendation.

India

The IOC suspended the Indian NOC for non-respect of the Olympic Charter, Government interference in elections, etc. At the same time, AIBA provisionally suspended the Indian NF for the same reasons as well as due to the numerous complaints received claiming wrongdoings during general assembly and elections. However, Boxers and Coaches remain allowed to participate in AIBA Competitions. It is recommended to ask for new elections to be organized as soon as possible (but within 3 months) according to the AIBA Statutes and Bylaws as well as AIBA's elections guidelines with the presence of an AIBA's observer.

The AIBA Executive Committee approves this recommendation.

NFs with Boxing Board of Control

In many countries in the Caribbean (Barbados, Jamaica, Trinidad & Tobago as examples) as well as to AIBA's knowledge in Fiji, Boxing Boards of Control have been put in place by Governments and are ruling both amateur and professional boxing leaving no autonomy to AIBA Member NFs which is something that is clearly against the AIBA Statutes and Bylaws.

The NOC of Barbados has orally requested AIBA to find a solution so that NFs may remain autonomous and do not have to rely to these Boxing Boards of Control anymore. It is recommended to write a letter to all Ministries of Sports of the countries (cc NOCs) concerned requesting the dismantling of those Boards of Control and respect of NFs' autonomy according to the Olympic Charter, IFs' and NFs' statutes and bylaws.

The AIBA Executive Committee approves this recommendation.

Provisional Membership - Malta

Mrs Patricia Steulet, in the authorized absence of the representatives of the Malta Boxing Federation, presents their request for provisional membership. As all documents received are in order, it is recommended to accept the provisional membership of the Malta Boxing Federation.

The AIBA Executive Committee approves this recommendation.

EC Membership Case

On February 6, AIBA received a letter from the Secretary General of the Chinese Boxing Association stating that Mr Jianping Chang, AIBA EC member, is no longer able to serve as the President of Chinese Boxing Federation following a government regulation and left the NF. On March 5, AIBA also received a follow-up letter from Mr Jianping Chang himself confirming that he has left the Chinese Boxing Federation to take over other functions. Following the AIBA Statutes, Article 37.3 states: "*If an EC Member has to be replaced due to resignation or suspension (provided that the suspension extends beyond the EC Member's term of office), the President may appoint a new EC Member to service the remainder of the term provided that the new EC Member is eligible to service in accordance with Article 35 (Eligibility criteria and the new EC Member is approved by the Executive Committee)*".

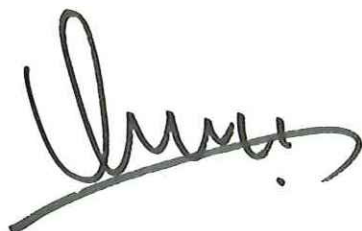
At that point, President suggests that as there is one more year until the next AIBA Congress, he will think of a replacement and nominate a candidate for the approval of the EC Bureau.

The AIBA Executive Committee approves this suggestion.

26. Closing Remarks by AIBA President

President Wu closes the meeting by thanking everyone for their presence, interpreters for their excellent work and AIBA Executive Director and staff for their hard work.

Approved by:



June 2014

Ching-Kuo Wu
AIBA President