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INTERNATIONAL DRAGON BOAT FEDERATION

15th IDBF Members Ordinary Congress, Welland, Niagra, Canada – 24th August 2015

15th CONGRESS MINUTES

FINAL AGENDA

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Opening of the Congress and the President's address. 2. Identification of the delegates and confirmation of their authority. 3. Appointment of scrutineers for the period of the Congress. 4. The President's Report See Attachment A 5. Reports from the Commissions, Continental Federations & Regions. 6. Accounts, Financial Report 2015 and Auditor's Report 2013/2014. 7. Approval of the accounts for the previous periods (2012/2013). 8. Determination of the Annual Subscription. 9. Budget for the period 1Jan- 31 Dec 2016. 10. Appointment of a Full Member for auditing the accounts. 11. Reports on applications for membership and voting 12. Appeals against decisions taken by the Council or Executive.
Annex A - notifications from the Council to Congress 13. Individual proposals received from the IDBF Members - Annex B 14. Alterations to the Statutes etc. - Annex B 15. World Championship Regattas. 16. Elections: 17. Any Other Business and Closing Address. 18. Place and Date of the next Congress. | <p>代表大会开幕及主席致词
确认代表身份及资格确认；
任命会议期间的监票员；
执行主席报告；
各专项委员会主席报告
账目、财务和审计报告
前一阶段账目审批；
确定年度会费；
下一年度预算；
任命—正式会员负责审计账目
对会员资格申请情况的报告和投票
根据条款 43.6或条款 44.7</p> <p>会员为代表大会上交的个别提案
对章程,竞赛条例和规则的修改
世界及国际锦标赛赛事；
选举。
其它事宜和闭幕词。
下届代表大会的时间与地点</p> |
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Congress Opened: 9:20am

In Attendance –IDBF Members.

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Switzerland	Full	Bridget Walter	
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Ukraine	Full	Murray Jones	
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	Raymond Ma (Hkg)	
	Claudio Schermi (Ita)	
Secretary General (Acting)	Peter Tang (Mac)	
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代表大会开幕和主席致辞

1.

Item.1 Opening of the Congress and the President's address. - Mike MacKeddie-Haslam.

The President welcomed all the Member's delegates to the 15th IDBF Members Congress and thanked Dragon Boat Canada for hosting the Congress and those attending. The President advised the Delegates that Ministerial duties in China had precluded the IDBF President Madam Xiao Min from attending the Congress.

Item. 2. Identification of Delegates and Confirmation of Authority.

The Acting Secretary-General, Peter Tang, made the roll call, and confirmed that Delegates from 31 Member countries and territories were present in accordance with the procedures laid down in the IDBF Statutes and Bye-Laws. The quorum of the congress was formed. The meeting was declared quorate by the President.

代表大会期间监票人的指定

Item. 3. APPOINTMENT OF SCRUTINEERS FOR THE CONGRESS.

Representatives from Australia and the Canada were appointed by the floor, as Scrutineers for the Congress.

Agenda Item	15 th Congress - Agenda Items Discussions	Any action arising from discussion
2.	<p>IDENTIFICATION OF DELEGATES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sign in sheet obtained and read out • Australia – Maggie Boyce • Austria – proxy received and Fanni Nemeth appointed as representative • Canada – Susan Mitchell • China – Mr Yu Hanqiao and Rex Xin • Chinese Taipei – proxy received and with Ross Boyce as representative China raised the issue of article 33 of the Statutes and that the countries do not need to hand in their proxy to the General Secretary (GS) Mike H stated that Australia could not hold the proxy form for Chinese Taipei as it had already been submitted to GS. • Cyprus – Leila Ataei • Czech Republic - proxy • Estonia – Michela Scacchitte (but not a financial member) • France - proxy • Germany – Saeed Mbdalla • Ghana – Morrison Olaf • Great Britain – Sue Thomas • Hong Kong –Raymond Ma Mike H raised that there was a problem as an Executive Member (Raymond Ma) could not hold their country’s vote according to the Statutes. However, Congress could decide if this would be permitted. A vote is required, which will be returned to after role call • Hungary - Peter Jarosi • India - Parveen Kumar • Iran – Halle Yin, A letter from the Iran DBA nominating her as their delegate was received. Claudio S requested confirmation of the letter. MH gave such confirmation. Matt S asked whether the Iranians had instructed 2 different people to hold their representation. Mike H stated that the 2 IDBF Race Officials from Iran had not been nominated as Iran Delegates. • Italy - Graole de Zurva • Japan - Makoto Shobu • Macau China - Chung Hon Kim • Malaysia – Angelina Ong • Netherlands – Janine Lette representative • New Zealand – proxy • Philippines - Marcia Cristoph • Puerto Rico - Jomarie Jones • Singapore - Gordon Choi • Sweden – Robin Magnusson • Switzerland – Bridget Walters • Thailand - Proxy • Trinidad & Tobago – Keith Dalip • Ukraine – Murray Jones • United States – Paula Humphries 	<p>For next Congress, it needs to be made clearer what is a Delegate and a Representative, Proxy Vote, Full Member Basic Member</p>

	<p>Claudio stated that we need to vote by exception that a citizen of another country was authorised to be the delegate of another country be accepted at Congress today. Mike H asked the attendees if they were happy to accept that all of the above are representing the countries listed above.</p> <p>MOTION: Pursuant to Article 22 and in confirmation thereof, a member can designate a citizen other than a citizen of their country as long as they are not already a delegate of a country already at the Congress meeting, they are able to represent the country who has appointed them despite being a resident of another country. Proposed: Canada . Seconded: Australia For – 15. Against – 0. Abstain – 1 Carried</p>	
	<p>Proxy votes: Austria; Czech Republic; France; Ireland; Norway; New Zealand; Poland; Russia; Slovakia; Romania; Serbia; Reunion Islands; Chinese Taipei; Thailand; Uganda; South Africa</p> <p>Claudio raised that the deadline for receipt of Proxy Votes was 21 August 2015.</p> <p>Mike H stated that this was set by the GS for administration purposes only and that a Proxy Vote could be received up until the start of the Congress.</p> <p>Canada raised Article 22 which stated that only Full Members can submit a Proxy Vote and not a Basic Member.</p> <p>MH noted but pointed out that this was an anomaly in the Statutes that should be corrected for future Congresses</p> <p>Finance advised that the following countries have not paid their membership Austria; Estonia; Uganda; United Arab Republic (UAE); South Africa</p> <p>Claudio stated that Uganda had paid and when Finance was questioned, they advised that the money was paid by Claudio.</p> <p>There was significant discussion regarding the correct name of the member for Uganda and what fee was paid by Claudio as there appears to be 2 different names. Uganda Dragon Boat Federation (UDBF) and Uganda Dragon Boat Association (UDBA). MH confirmed that UDBA was not the member and that the UDBF was. The fee paid by Claudio was in respect of the UDBA and therefore not valid.</p> <p>Mike T stated that he did not want to get involved in such debate and that the Finance should be making a report that is accepted by the Members.</p> <p>Matt S suggested that Congress vote on whether the payment for the Uganda Dragon Boat Association or Uganda Dragon Boat Federation could be accepted.</p> <p>Loretta L stated that she followed what was on the IDBF website. Payment was accepted and placed against the only Uganda member listed – the UDBF.</p> <p>MOTION: That any individual can pay the membership fee of any IDBF Member. For – 13. Against – 2. Abstain – 0 Carried</p>	

	<p>PAYMENT OF FEES:</p> <p>Statutes state that fees must be paid by 31 March 2015. At that time only three (3) Members had paid. However, since that date most members have now paid.</p> <p>Mike H put to the floor that, as an exception to the IDBF Statutes that were the Congress prepared to extend the 31 March 2015 for the payment of Membership Fees to the date of the Congress so that all members who had paid up until today, could be allowed to vote.</p> <p>Canada spoke to the point that the countries who had paid by 31 March 2015 and those who had paid, as of today, were in good standing to vote.</p> <p>For – 17 Against – 0 Abstain – 0</p> <p>Basic Members who submitted proxies that will not be counted: Nigeria Serbia – has been listed in further agenda item for Full Membership Thailand – has been listed in further agenda item for Full Membership Romania</p> <p>Full Members proxy votes to be accepted: Austria; Czech Republic; France; Ireland; Norway; New Zealand; Poland; Russia; Slovakia; Reunion Islands; Chinese Taipei; Uganda; South Africa</p>	
Addition	<p>Singapore moved that the meeting proceeded to items 14, 15, 16 & 18. Secunder: GBs asked that 4, 5, 6, 7, 10.</p> <p>Netherlands stated that the Agenda should be followed as distributed due to reports must be presented and received by the Membership prior to Elections being conducted.</p>	
4.	<p>PRESIDENT’S REPORT - ATTACHMENT A</p> <p>China raised that information raised in report, concerning the establishment of an IDBF Centre of Excellence and C&TC Offices in China, sponsored by Peisheng Boats had not necessarily been discussed with the CDBA. Mike H stated that all information was respectful to CDBA and as far as Mike was aware, had been notified to them and discussed by them with PS and that CDBA had indicated to PS that CDBA was happy for the IDBF to proceed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. IDBF Memorandum & Articles of Association B. Sportaccord: All members of AIMS get to apply for IOC Recognition <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gives recognition to IDBF Members as part of a multi-sports organisation C. IOC: Goal posts changed, new criteria now means a number of further Commissions required to be formed by IDBF <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No new federations being recognised by the IOC in 2015 D. IDBF Sports Management Platform & Capital Investment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At a delicate stage on this and does not wish to discuss this too much • On the verge of concluding a contract with a company who is prepared to put a lot of financial support in to dragon boating • There is a Powerpoint presentation that will be distributed to the Membership. 	

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COMMISSIONS' REPORTS

A. C&CT ATTACHMENT – B

- Small boat competition boat spec
- Paddles; further development has occurred with the chips due to carbon / chip not being able to cooperate together
- Ravenna 5,400 competitors which makes it extremely difficult to reduce people; 2016 CCWC in Adelaide will be different 1-3 Snr racing and 4-7 will be Premier & Jnr
- Welland – vote of thanks given to Chloe and her organisers for a great championship
- IT registration and software development of automatic progressions; vote of thanks by all at Congress was given to Slawek for his numerous volunteer hours that he has dedicated to making that happen at these championships
- Officials – training and development working well
- Rules of Racing & Competition Regulations
- Small boat introduction and how we protect the Standard boat competition
- How do we encourage more participation from Jnr A, Jnr B and U24s
- Advised that this was his last report as Chair and he thanked all

B. Marketing & Media – ATTACHMENT - C

C. Cultural & Heritage – ATTACHMENT - D

- Year book waiting for information so that
- How has dragon boating been introduced in to your country
- Survey will be sent
- India raised Snake Boats festival and invited IDBF to attend to view this

D. Medical & Sports Science –ATTACHMENT – E. Bob McNamara unavailable but Bridget Walters presented on his behalf –

- \$3 went towards anti-doping from the entry fee at these Championships went to 12 tests being able to actually being conducted
- 6 in competition tests during Premier finals
- 6 out of competition tests were not covered due to numbers attending
- IOC requirement to give educational sessions
- 2016 – creation of a 'whereabouts' form; TUE be uniformed; Bulletin 1 to include all forms required for anti-doping; dedicated IDBF email address for where this information can be kept regardless who the person responsible for it at the time; further education as to what forms (TUEs) need to be completed.
- Cyprus (Leilai) advised that she was looking for a sports science group to be established regarding supplements & nutrition.
- invited IDBF to attend to view this

E. IBCPC – ATTACHMENT – F.

CONTINENTAL FEDERATIONS' REPORTS

F. ADBF – Attachment G

G. EDBF – Attachment H

H. ODBF – Attachment I

I. PADBF – Attachment J

J. DBFA – Attachment K

6.	TREASURERS FINANCIAL REPORT - ATTACHMENT. L	
7.	<p><u>MOTION</u> That the accounts as presented are approved as accepted. Seconder: Netherlands For – 24. Against – 0 Abstain – 0 Carried</p> <p><u>MOTION</u> That the accounts be discharged. Seconder: For – 18. Against – 3. Abstain – 0. Carried</p>	
8.	<p>Subscription fees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full Member – US \$250 • Basic Member – US \$187.50 (75% of Full Member fee) 	
9.	Auditors Report - Attachment M	
10.	Auditor appointment. Australia nominated and all present accepted	
11.	<p>REPORTS ON APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP AND VOTING</p> <p>A. Basic Members to Full Members</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ghana • Malaysia • Moldova • Portugal • Senegal • Serbia • Thailand <p>All have been active within the sport. Status Quo is that the status change takes effect immediately.</p> <p><u>MOTION</u> Status takes effect post-Congress and not during the meeting as it changes voting, proxies etc. Seconder: Singapore For – 12. Against – 5. Abstain – 5. Carried</p> <p>Acceptance of going to Full Member For – 18. Against – 4. Abstain – 1. Carried</p> <p>B. Basic Members for ratification</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Argentina • Georgia • Greece • Malta • Nepal • Panama • Qatar • Estonia • Ivory Coast • Israel <p>Congress accepted For – 21. Against – 0. Abstain – 2</p>	

	<p>C. Associate Member to Basic Member</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bangladesh Congress accepted For – 21 Against – 0 Abstain - 2 	
12.	<p>APPEALS AGAINST DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE COUNCIL OR EXECUTIVE. None. SEE ANNEX A for notifications from the Council concerning IDBF Competition Regulations & Rules of Racing.</p>	
13.	<p>INDIVIDUAL PROPOSALS RECEIVED FROM THE IDBF MEMBERS – see ANNEX B</p>	
14.	<p>The Statute proposals for amendment by the Members were voted on as follows:- Secret ballot requested by Germany</p> <p>Article 22 – Congress Delegates Proposed: Italy For – 4. Against – 15. Abstain – 4 <i>Not carried</i></p> <p>Article 29 – alterations to the Statutes Competition Regulations and Rules of Racing Proposed: Great Britain For – 18. Against – 3. Abstain – 3 <i>Carried</i></p> <p>Article 33 – voting at congress Proposed: Italy For – 3. Against – 17. Abstain – 5 <i>Not carried</i></p> <p>Article 35 – date of taking effect (immediate) Proposed: Great Britain For – 14. Against – 6. Abstain – 3 <i>Carried</i></p> <p>Article 35 – date of taking effect (the day following Congress) Proposed: Italy For – 6. Against – 17. Abstain – 1 <i>Not carried</i></p> <p>Article 37 - Election of members of the council (4th term) Proposed: Great Britain For – 10. Against – 10. Abstain – 2 <i>2/3rd Majority for not met. Not carried</i></p> <p>Article 37 – election of members of council (2 terms plus outgoing President cannot hold any other position but for Honorary President) Proposed - Hungary For – 4. Against – 15. Abstain – 3 <i>Not carried</i> <i>Article 37 not changed at all</i></p>	

15.	<p>WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP REGATTAS.</p> <p>A. 2016 – CCWC Australia will send out a report via email to all IDBF Members.</p> <p>B. 2017 – WNC. CDBA will submit an official bid of city within 2 mths. Otherwise, the bid for 2017 World Nations will be released for bidding again.</p> <p>C. 2018 – CCWC. Malaysia have withdrawn their bid but both Hungary and Singapore are interested in submitting bids. Both will make a presentation to Council in Adelaide 2016. Council will make the decision on behalf of Congress.</p>	
16.	<p>ELECTIONS: Secret ballot requested by Australia</p> <p>President:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mike MacKeddie-Haslam – due to Article 37 not being changed, his nomination can no longer be accepted • Mike Thomas - For – 31 • Claudio Schermi - For – 6 <p>Mike Thomas is elected to serve until 31 December 2019 and recommended that Mike Haslam continue until 31 December 2015 as per our Statutes. He also recommended that a role for Mike Haslam as outgoing President is sought so that Mike is not lost to our sport. Congress agreed Mike T’s recommendation, unanimously.</p> <p>Treasurer:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alan van Caubergh - For – 22 • Loretta Lewis - For – 15 <p>Alan van Caubergh is elected to serve until 31 December 2019.</p> <p>C&TC:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mike MacKeddie-Haslam – withdrew nomination • Melanie Cantwell - Appointed unopposed with unanimous vote <p>Marketing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Angelina Ong - Appointed unopposed with unanimous vote <p>Culture & Heritage Commission:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rex Xin Yi - Appointed unopposed with unanimous vote <p>Medical & Sports Science Commission:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prof Bob McNamara- Appointed unopposed with unanimous vote 	
17.	<p>ANY OTHER BUSINESS.</p> <p>Appointment of Mike MacKeddie-Haslam as an IDBF Honorary President. Unanimous acceptance. Standing ovation given to Mike H for his service to the sport.</p>	
18.	<p>PLACE & DATE OF NEXT CONGRESS</p> <p>Date will be the day immediately following the last day of Racing at 2017 Worlds, where ever it is to be held.</p>	

Congress Closed: 3.40pm

ANNEX A. CHANGES TO COMPETITION REGULATIONS & RULES OF RACING

Agenda Item.12: Amendments to the Comp Regs and Racing Rules notified by the C&TC to the Council and by the Council to the Congress

CR1.5.2: Club Crew World Championships (CCWC). For a CCWC a total of seven (7) combined small and standard crews in the same competition class may compete from one IDBF member. The seven (7) crews will include a maximum of five (5) Standard and two (2) Small boats. Allocation of entries will be nominated by the sanctioning IDBF Member concerned.

CR 2.1.3 Mixed Class - crews must contain a minimum of eight (8) and a maximum of ten (10) of each gender paddlers. There are no restrictions on age, except for the 12 years old rule shown in Reg 2.1.1. For Small Boat Races this shall be 4 to 6 of either gender.

CR 2.1.6 (2.2.1). 18-23s. Races can be held for Mixed or Single gender crews or in Open Competition, as shown above, for competitors aged 12 to 23 inclusive, as at the 1st June in a given year. Up to two(2) Racers in a Standard Boat Com Competition and one (1) over 23 but under 26 as at the 1st June. Note: By definition Drummers and Steerers are 'Racers'.

New Comp Regulation. CR 5.2.2 In all IDBF Championships, teams will not be allowed to use their own dragon boats and must use the dragon boats provided by the Organising Committee.

Comp Reg - Cr 5.5 - Sponsors Advertising.

At IDBF Championship sponsorship of or advertising on, dragon boats and equipment, by an event sponsor, is permitted subject to the conditions laid down, under Regulation 7.2, by the IDBF Executive Committee from time to time. (See also Comp Reg 7.2.1 - 7.2.3, for conditions concerning advertising on crews clothing and equipment).

CR 5.11 Boat Weighting. At an IDBF Championship (see Racing Rule R5.4) the Organisers shall provide adequate boat weighting equipment for use before and during the competition. At other IDBF Races boat weighting is not compulsory but may take place if requested by the Chief Official, prior to the event and provided that accurate weighting equipment is available. (See also Regs 13.1/13.3 Misc Equip).

CHANGES TO RULES OF RACING. Racing Rule - R5.4 Boats. A crew is not allowed to bring its own boat to an IDBF Championship. Crews will not be allowed to choose or reserve a boat.

2000m Racing

R10.4. Overtaking. Overtaking will be carried out to the left of the boat being overtaken, except when the width of the Racing Lane allows crews to overtake in clear water to the right of the boat. see R10.3.2

R10.4.1 Overtaking in Turns (see also R7.1 and R7.11) The turning buoys will be on the left in an i-clockwise direction. A boat should at all times maintain the racing line throughout a turn and must ensure that there is clear water between paddles, which is defined in R7.1 as a distance of 2metres between paddle blades.

A crew will not be disqualified for touching a Turn Buoy, or for having slightly less than two (2) metres of clear water between the buoy and paddles. A crew that turns inside a Turn Buoy shall be given a Time Penalty of up to 5 seconds, per offence. A crew that consistently turns inside more than two turn buoys may be disqualified from that race.

R10.4.2. Rights in Turn. An overtaking boat gains right of the inside racing line when it has established an overlap with the boat being overtaken at the 50m marker buoy. The overlap is defined as the head of a dragon boat level with the steering arm of the boat being overtaken.

The boat being overtaken must give room for the overtaking boat to maintain its racing line throughout the turn and ensure that there is clear water between paddles. Clear water is defined in RR 7.1 as a distance of 2metres between paddle blades. Crews not complying with this rule **will receive an automatic Time Penalty of twenty (20) seconds.**

A boat being overtaken must not Steer in a manner that is likely to cause a collision with another boat. The boat overtaking must not Steer in a manner that is likely to cause a collision.

A boat with no overlap must not attempt to overtake on the inside by aggressive steering, but should follow the preceding boat through the turn.

R10.4.3 Overtaking on right in turns

A boat that has not obtained an overlap may choose to overtake on the right of the preceding boat, but must enable the boat being overtaken to maintain its racing line and maintain clear water between the two boats.

R10.4.4 Steering wide in turns. Where a leading boat makes an excessively wide entry or exit in the turn, a boat following, that has not obtained an overlap, may attempt to pass through on the left if there is sufficient space on the inside to maintain clear water between the boats. During this manoeuvre, and throughout the turn, the leading boat does not relinquish right of way to the following boat and the following boat will not assume right of way over the leading boat. The following boat must respect and provide necessary right of way and clear water to the leading boat at all times throughout the turn. In this case, any contact or interference with the leading boat shall result in a time penalty to the following boat of up to 20 seconds

ANNEX B. PROPOSED AMENDMENTS FROM IDBF MEMBERS

Agenda Items 13 and 14: Changes to the IDBF STATUTES.

ARTICLE 22 - CONGRESS DELEGATES (from the Italian DBF) - Not Carried

FIDB Rationale: *In order to guarantee the quorum and an effective exchange of ideas during a Congress, the FIDB Executive Committee propose to amend the article regarding the 3rd paragraph, namely to eliminate the word "Exceptions" and the prohibition for a delegate to delegate another IDBF Member (sub-delegate). As results of this, more members would be able to take part of decisions. A limit of 2(two) sub-delegations should be considered*

Present Statute:- Each Full Member shall have the right to appoint a maximum of three delegates and each Basic Member a maximum of two delegates to speak and take part in the Congress. Members may at any time change their delegates but they may not be represented by a delegate who already represents another member or by a member of the Executive Committee. Each delegate must be a citizen or resident of the country or territory of the member represented and must be able to prove citizenship (residency) by presenting an official document (passport or identity card). (Sep 03)

Amend by adding a further sentence *Each Delegate may represent maximum another two IDBF Members, by exception and by prior formal notification of such a representation by the IDBF Member so being represented. See Article 33 concerning proxy voting by a Representative.*

IDBF President's Comments. The intention of the present Statute is to encourage IDBF Members to actually attend the Congress and not for them to be represented by another Member. That is why it is by exception that a Member may be represented at Congress by a nominated individual who is not already representing another Member. The FIDB proposal could discourage Members from attending the Congress and result in fewer people involved in the decision making process.

ARTICLE 29 – ALTERATIONS TO THE STATUTES COMPETITION REGULATIONS AND RULES OF RACING (from the British DBA) – Carried.

BDA Rationale: *Whilst it makes sense for the Competition Regulations and Racing Rules to come in to effect with each Olympic year cycle, this does not hold true for the IDBF Statutes as these are not competitive regulations but are the structural and organization rules of the IDBF. Therefore the IDBF Members should have the flexibility to enact changes to the IDBF Statutes as and when they deem fit.*

Present Statute:- The Statutes; Rules of Racing and Competition Regulations for International Regattas may only be altered in the year of a Summer Olympic Games, to take effect from the 1st January of that 'Olympic' year, as stipulated in Article 35. (Sep 02)

Amend to: *The Statutes may be altered by any Congress and take immediate effect as shown in Article 35. The Rules of Racing and Competition Regulations for International Regattas may only be altered in the year of a Summer Olympic Games, to take effect from the 1st January of that 'Olympic' year, as stipulated in Article 35.*

IDBF President's Comments. This proposal makes it clear that the IDBF Statutes are not competitive regulations and are therefore not relevant to or tied to the same time scales needed to introduce competitive regulations in our Sport which mirror those of the IOC. When linked with the BDA proposal for Article 35, this change will give the IDBF Congress more flexibility in the implementation of Statute changes. This change to the Statues also brings the IDBF into line with the EDBF where Statute changes already take immediate effect.

ARTICLE 33 – VOTING AT CONGRESS (from the Italian DBF) - Not Carried.

FIDB Rationale: *The FIDB Executive Committee feels that proxy vote should not be admitted for Council Elections and decisions regarding the locations where championships have to be held.*

Present Statute:- Full Members attending a Congress shall be entitled to one vote each. Basic Members shall be entitled to one vote each on all matters except those concerning the IDBF Statutes or Bye-Laws . A Full Member who is not in attendance at an Ordinary Congress may vote by proxy through the Chair holder or a nominated 'Representative' as allowed for under Article 22. (Oct 03). Such proxy votes must relate only to those items published on the agenda and when a Representative is not present, must be submitted, with a written authority, to the President before the Congress commences.

Amend by adding a further sentence:- *Proxy vote are not be admitted for matters concerning Council Elections,*

IDBF President's Comments & Recommendation. The FIDB do not make clear why it is they feel that proxy votes should not be allowed for Council elections. It is difficult to find a rationale for this proposal but it adopted it would deny those IDBF Members not able to attend a Congress, their right to have a say in choosing the Council Members that they want to represent them. This would clearly reduce the IDBF Members democratic rights.

ARTICLE 35 – DATE OF TAKING EFFECT (from the British DBA) - Carried

BDA Rationale: *As shown in the rationale for amending Article 29, whilst it makes sense for the Competition Regulations and Racing Rules to come in to effect with each Olympic year cycle, this does not hold true for the IDBF Statutes as these are not competitive regulations but are the structural and organization rules of the IDBF. Therefore the IDBF Members should have the flexibility to enact changes to the IDBF Statutes when they deem fit.*

Present Statute: Elections and decisions of Congress shall take effect from the following 1st January unless, by a two thirds majority vote of Members present, Congress determines otherwise.

Amend to:- *Decisions of a Congress concerning the IDBF Statutes shall take immediate effect, unless, by a two thirds majority vote of Members present the Congress determines otherwise. Elections and decisions of Congress concerning the IDBF Competition Regulations and Rules of Racing, shall take effect from the following 1st January unless, by a two thirds majority vote of Members present Congress determines otherwise.*

Alternative amendment from the FIDB:- Elections and decisions of Congress shall come into effect on the day following the voting Congress - **Not Carried.**

IDBF President's Comments & Recommendation. The BDA proposal gives the Congress complete flexibility when it comes to changing the IDBF Statutes and clarifies that changes to the Statutes are not tied to changes in the Competition Regulations and Racing Rules. The Statute as presently written does allow the Congress to bring Statutes changes into immediate effect but only if a vote is called for to do so. The BDA proposal saves the Congress from having to have such a vote unless the Congress feels that there are good reasons to delay the implementation of a Statute change, which they can still do under the two thirds majority vote. The FIBA alternative proposal that Statute changes should come into effect the day after the Congress places an unnecessary restriction on the Congress and does not give the Congress any flexibility in the implementation of its decisions.

ARTICLE 37 – ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL (from the British DBA) - 2/3rd Majority for not met.

Not Carried

BDA Rationale: *An amended Article 37 was introduced in 2011 but due to incorrect drafting, in its present form it only allows a Council Member who has served 3 terms or more in office to stand for a further term if he or she is unopposed. If opposed the retiring Council Member is barred from standing. This is not in keeping with the intention of the Statute as it does not allow the IDBF Members to show whether or not they want long serving Council Members to continue in office beyond 3 terms. The intention of this Statute was that anyone should be allowed to stand for election to the IDBF Council and for the IDBF Members to make the final decision. For a person to be barred from standing for Council purely because that person is opposed by another candidate or candidates, is questionable.*

Present Statute:- The Members of the Council, with the exception of the Continental Representatives, shall be elected for four (4) years by the Congress. The Members of the Council are honorary office bearers. The Elected Members of the Council shall retire in sequence and are eligible for re-election, for up to three (3) consecutive terms of office. By exception, a fourth or subsequent terms of office may be permitted provided the Member of the Council concerned is unopposed and receives at least 80% of the voting members present at the Congress at which the re-election takes place.

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Alternative amendment from the Hungarian DBF:- Members of the Council shall retire in sequence and are eligible for re-election for up to two (2) consecutive terms of office. After completing the two terms the Elected Member of the Council should retire and is not eligible for the same position anymore. The IDBF President after completing the two terms is not eligible for neither President nor any other positions of the Council except for IDBF Honorary President. No exceptions are permitted for the extension of any Council Member positions. - **Not Carried**

IDBF President's Comments. The proposed BDA amendment brings the Statute back into line with the original intention of the 2011 amendment which was to give the IDBF Members a way to make a clear choice. The BDA proposal allows the IDBF Members to always vote on whether or not they want an unopposed long serving Council Member to continue in their post or not and if such a member is opposed for due democratic process of a voting election to take place. There is no rationale provided by the HDBF for their alternative proposal which as written seeks to restrict all Council Members to just 2 terms in office (8 years) and to ban the IDBF President from ever holding office again in any capacity within the IDBF. This proposal is not in the interests of the IDBF or the Sport and is restrictive in design and intent.

The following proposals have been received from the HDBF without any evidence to justify them and without stating which, if any existing Statute or Statutes the proposals refer to or if they are proposals for new Statutes.

HDBF Proposal 1. In recognition of the leadership provided by Mike MacKeddie-Haslam in the development of the modern sport of International Dragon Boat Racing, the Hungarian Dragon Boat Federation proposes that the position of IDBF Honorary President shall be nominated by the IDBF Council and elected unopposed, on his retirement from the office of President (terminating the third and last turn according to the actual IDBF Statutes and Bye Laws in this position) by the members present at the IDBF Congress. (See IDBF Statutes Art.40)

IDBF President's Comments. The IDBF Statutes do not restrict Council Members to only 3 terms of office but allow them to be considered for further terms by exception and the Statutes and Bye-Laws already make provision for the IDBF to have both an IDBF President of Honour and IDBF Honorary Presidents' The proposal by the HDBF is therefore not necessary as a system for having an IDBF Honorary President or Presidents' is already in place.

15th Congress acted under Article 40 – see Any Other Business.

HDBF Proposal 2. Due to the fact that parts of the effective IDBF Statutes and IDBF Bye-Laws at some points are contradictory, ambiguous, or its regulations are not in compliance with the interest of its Members, the HDBF (taking into consideration the rules as set forth in Art.29 of the IDBF Statutes) initiates the complete legal revision of these regulations (IDBF Statutes and Bye-Laws) and, with the co-operation of the entire Membership, its modification where necessary..

IDBF President's Comments. This proposal provides no evidence at all in support of the HDBF's claim that the "IDBF Statutes and IDBF Bye-Laws at some points are contradictory, ambiguous, or its regulations are not in compliance with the interest of its Members" Neither does the proposal give any indication of the amendments or reforms or processes that the HDBF feels the IDBF should make to carry out a "complete legal revision of these regulations". In fact the registration of the IDBF as a company with Articles of Association deals with all the legal requirements that the IDBF needs to adopt as part of the IDBF Statutes. The normal management procedures and IDBF Statutes allow for the IDBF Members to carry out any revision of the IDBF Statutes, Bye-Laws etc as and when they feel it is necessary.

This proposal not debated by 15th Congress and left to one side as an insufficient proposal.

ATTACHMENT A.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS 15th CONGRESS

In 2015 we celebrate 20 years of IDBF World Championship Regattas and that is a good time to take stock of where we are in the development of the Sport, what we have achieved and what direction we want to go in the future.

Twenty years ago as a fledgeling organisation, with around 30 Members, we staged our first World Nations Championships in Yue Yang China, with less than 1000 participants, since then the number of participants at our Championships has increased annually, with over 5000 at our 2014 Club Championships in Ravenna and over 2000 here in Welland at the 2015 World Nations Championships, the twelfth in the series. Our Membership figure now stands at 85.

From our first Championships until the present day, the Chinese Dragon Boat Association (CDBA) has staged both a further World Championship in Shanghai and the 1st World Cup in Fuzhou. The CDBA has also hosted the IDBF Secretariat and provided the IDBF Secretary-General for a number of years until 2013 and is due to host the 2017 World Nations Championships. For this substantial contribution to the sport and generous support of the IDBF, I wish to record a special vote of thanks to the CDBA

For my own part I am proud to have been instrumental in founding both the EDBF and IDBF and in formulating the IDBF Bye-Laws, and with the help of Mike Thomas, the Competition Regulations and Racing Rules, as well as developing the IDBF Boat & Paddle Manufacturers scheme, the Coaches Awards and Race Officials schemes, the IDBF Affiliated Festivals scheme and the IDBF Partners' Scheme.

A particular project of mine over the years has been the IDBF Development Boat Programme, which over the last five years has seen nearly 40 boats sent to Armenia, Belarus, Cyprus, Georgia, Ghana, Moldova, Nigeria, Philippines, Senegal, Serbia, Spain and Uganda, where they have been used extensively to develop our sport on a wide basis.

This programme would not have been possible without the support of our IDBF Partners, BuK, Champion, Swift and laterly Pei Sheng Boats who as the IDBF Special Partner, also sponsored boats for the EDBF Club Championships and have helped the IDBF to establish a Technical Research & Development Centre, within their Dragon Boat Factory near to Hangzhou.

Another project that I have worked on, with the help of Alan Van Caubergh, the EDBF Chairman, is to establish in the past year an IDBF Training Centre facility in Spain, hosted by the Pinitar Dragon Boat Club in Murcia. The first pilot course was organised there this year and plans for an expanded programme of courses is scheduled for March 2016. With the support of Pei Sheng Boats another IDBF Training Centre is being set up in China, with accommodation for 200 people in university type rooms and access to over 100kms of lakes to paddle on !

On the international scene the IDBF continues to seek IOC Recognition as an IOC International Federation but meanwhile the AIMS (Alliance of Independent Recognised Members of Sport) is seeking IOC recognition as Multi-Sports Organisation and as an AIMS Member the IDBF would therefore become part of the greater 'Olympic Family'. Dragon Boating has again been included in the South East Asian Games and is one of the Sports to be included in the proposed ANOC Beach Games, planned for 2018.

On the general development front, talks are on going with potential investors in the Sport who it is hoped, will fund a Sports Management (Digital) Platform for the Sport, implemented through a world-wide IDBF website for all IDBF Members to be part of, at no cost to the Members. Additionally, the registration of the IDBF as a Company is being pursued, which will involve adequate insurance cover for the IDBF and acceptable accounting policies being in place, as well as an updated 'constitution' being adopted by the IDBF Congress. These are exciting and meaningful developments for the Sport but the IDBF Council cannot do these things without the support and help of the Membership, so in closing I would echo some famous words by saying "Ask not what your sport can do for you but what you can do for your sport".



Mike Mackeddie-Haslam
IDBF President

24 August 2015

ATTACHMENT B.

COMPETITION & TECHNICAL COM (C&TC) REPORT TO THE MEMBERS 15th CONGRESS

This report will consider four main areas: Equipment; Officials; Rules and Championships.

1. Equipment

1.1 Paddles

John Kreamer and I have been undertaken a review of tall the non-wooden paddles manufactured. A draft report was submitted to the Executive Committee on 10th July with 9 recommendations for action.

1.2 Boats

The new small racing boat is now produced by BUK which are being raced in these Championships and Pei Sheng raced in the European Championships at the end of last month.

2. IDBF Qualified Officials

It is pleasing to report similar large increases in the number of Officials. Training and examination has taken place in Singapore, Italy, India, Iran and at the Pan American Championships.. This has led to a large increase in Grade 1 officials and now that we have broadened the base we have been developing training schemes to improve the grades of our more experienced Officials. This has led to an increase in the number of Grade 3 and 4 Officials and further training for Grade 4 will take place at these Championships.

3. IDBF Competition regulations and racing Rules.

The C&TC have reviewed the proposals to be submitted to Council and made new recommendations on 2000m turn rules, the recommendations of the C&TC have been circulated to members for their consideration.

A further Regulation that needs to be considered is the continued issue of Clubs recruiting from outside their Club for participation in WCCC.

The last CCWC in Ravenna had two clubs with paddlers from outside their countries. Consideration of possibly allowing clubs to have two guest paddlers from outside their club or to have a form of geographical restriction, such as normally all paddlers must reside within 2 hours travel from the clubs base.

4. World Championships.

4.1 Championships

Our Championships continues to grow in numbers participating but we need to attend to the lack of juniors. The Club Crew Championships in Ravenna was our largest with over 5000 competitors, In Adelaide we are testing splitting the senior and the premier divisions with 3 days Championships for each. A further issue is the growth of the small boat entry and reduction in standard.

4.2 Registration System & Race Programme Management

Our volunteer software engineer continues to develop and improve the registration system and in this Championship the race programme has been populated from the system and its facet to provide automatic progressions and results will be used,



Mike Thomas
Chair C&TC

ATTACHMENT. C.

MARKETING & MEDIA COMMISSION (M&MC) REPORT TO THE MEMBERS 15th CONGRESS

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CULTURAL & HERITAGE COM (C&HC) REPORT TO THE MEMBERS 15th CONGRESS

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MEDICAL & SPORTS SCIENCE COM (M&SCC) REPORT TO THE MEMBERS 15th CONGRESS

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INT BREAST CANCER PADDLERS COM (IBCPC) REPORT TO THE MEMBERS 15th CONGRESS

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ASIAN DBF (ADBF) REPORT TO TO THE MEMBERS 15th CONGRESS

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EUROPEAN DBF (EDBF) REPORT TO TO THE MEMBERS 15th CONGRESS

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OCEANIA DBF (ODBF) REPORT TO TO THE MEMBERS 15th CONGRESS

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AFRICAN DBF (DBFA) REPORT TO TO THE MEMBERS 15th CONGRESS

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PAN AMERICAN DBF (PADBF) REPORT TO TO THE MEMBERS 15th CONGRESS

Our Federation which covers the Western Hemisphere is a new Continental Federation in the IDBF, formed on August 8, 2011 and officially constituted on 22nd July 2013.

We had our second Congress Meeting on Friday 14th August 2015 and the following were elected for the period 2015-2017:-

President – Franco Siu Chong (Trinidad & Tobago)
Vice President – Paula Humphries (USA)
Vice President - Jomarie Martinez (Puerto Rico)
Treasurer/Secretary - Chloe Greenhaigh (Canada)
Executive Members - Chun Wing Louie (USA)
Matt Smith (Canada)

Zone 3 USA & Zone 4 Canada are well developed and has not been the focus of the PADBF except for drawing on their expertise when needed.

Zone1, South America, has not had any Dragon Boat Regattas or Festivals, however Argentina has recently negotiated buying some 3 boats from China with the help of the IDBF, which has not yet been finalized.

We are looking at 2016 as the year Argentina will introduce the Sport. All other countries in that Zone have not yet started including Brazil, which country is being proposed to advance from Basic Member to Full Membership at this year's IDBF Congress, a motion the PADBF does not support.

In addition it should be noted also that the PADBF Congress had decided to select its Executives from the Zones 2, 3, and 4 until Zone 1 becomes active.

In Zone 2 which is Central America and the Caribbean, the only countries that are active are Trinidad & Tobago, Puerto Rico and Panama. Panama successfully staged its first Dragon Boat Festival with the help of the PADBF on July 12th 2015. Puerto Rico, who have staged 3 international regattas will be hosting the next PADBF CCC in March 2017.

Whilst it is a PADBF CCC, the PADBF Congress has decided that crews from other countries will not be excluded from entry. There is still no activity from Costa Rica, despite the fact that their status was elevated from Basic to Full at the last IDBF Congress.

The Dominican Republic has purchased 3 Dragon Boats in 2014 from Champion and the PABF will soon be visiting that country to see how best they can be assisted in developing the Sport and bring them into the PADBF and the IDBF. It has also been determined that Trinidad & Tobago will host the 2019 PADBF CCC and work is in progress to develop Jamaica and Guyana.

The development of the Sport of Dragon Boat Racing in Latin America, has such great potential because of the untapped market of 412 million in South America and 42 million in Central America. This potential was evident with the success of bringing Panama into the Dragon Boat fraternity. To develop the Sport in Latin America the PADBF needs a novel funding mechanism, which the Executives will be addressing in its new term of office.

The PADBF looks forward to the IDBF for assistance where ever it can, to grow the Sport in South, Central America and the Caribbean

Franco Siu Chong
President

Pan American Dragon Boat Federation.

ATTACHMENT. L

TREASURERS FINANCIAL REPORT TO THE MEMBERS 15th ORDINARY CONGRESS

GENERAL INFORMATION

In 2014 it was decided that it was necessary to set up a whole new accounting system, to bring us in line with generally accepted accounting standards and in view of the expected transition of the IDBF to a next level. This process has been completed in 2015 and we believe that today we are having an up to date administration.

SITUATION OF THE 2014 ACCOUNTS

After finalising the set up of the new accounting system it was found necessary to reconsider the 2013 accounts, which had been done under the old system. As a result the 2013 figures had to be adjusted downwards, rather than taking into account certain expenses in the 2014 accounts.

We believe that this was the right thing to do in order to present a fair image of the IDBF's financial position.

The 2013 and 2014 figures presented in this financial report are composed on the basis of the new accounting system, and are consistent with the financial position as at 31 december 2012.

As far as the IDBF accounts are concerned, the 2014 balance sheet shows an excess of income of US\$ 28,833.58, against a deficit of US\$ 30,250.83 for 2013. Looking at the past, this is a regular two year cycle: when there is a club crew championship -in even years- the income is considerably higher than in odd years when there is a nations championships with lower participants numbers.

The two financial years considered together, however, show a more or less break even situation. Unless we can achieve other sources of income, this situation will repeat itself year after year. Until then we are also restricted in our expenditure and investments in sport development and expending the federation to balance our budget.

All figures and annual accounts, together with the book entries and records, were audited and confirmed by M. Anthony Alexandrou FCPA, of ALEXANDROU GROUP Certified Practising Accountants, a company based in Sydney Australia. M. Alexandrou concluded that the accounts are in accordance with the good management of the Federation.

ASSUMPTIONS FOR THE FUTURE

We continue to develop a number of alternative sources of income, such as partnerships with dragon boat equipment manufacturers. Thanks to the growing appreciation for our sport worldwide and the unremitting efforts of our working group, it seems that results are forth coming. The contract with the Chinese TV Channel CCTV5 that was signed in 2014 might be seen as a good omen.

RECOMMENDATIONS

I respectfully ask the IDBF Congress gathered in Welland on 25th August 2014, to approve the Balance Sheet and Accounts for 2014 and 2013 and discharge from liability the Executive Members.



Alan VAN CAUBERGH
IDBF Treasurer

NOTES TO THE BALANCE SHEET AND INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

ASSETS: Cash in Hand \$611 was banked by L Lewis in January 2015. **Note.1.**

Trade Debtors – as agreed at the meeting in Szeged, Hungary, the trade debtors from 2012 were to be written off if not paid in 2013. In total \$7,287.50 was written off as write offs and appear in the income and expenditure statement for 2013. As at 31 December 2014, the following are the trade debtors: European Dragon Boat Federation \$4,676.46 and Cyprus Dragon Boat Federation \$250. **Note.2.**

Tampa 2011 Organising - \$15,000 for dragon boats were written off to miscellaneous expenses. These boats were unrecoverable. **Note.3.**

LIABILITIES: Creditors as at 31 December 2014. IDBF has paid these accounts in full as well as the account for Windy City. The outstanding balance of \$760.75 owed to Ravenna 2014 – Dragon Boat ASA has not been paid and is pending submission of a full set of accounts for the event. **Note.4.**

Accruals 2014 – all accruals have been finalised in 2015 – no outstanding accruals. **Note.5**

EQUITY: Retained Earnings – over the two year period, IDBF basically broke even. However it need be noted that in the year of the World Nations Championships, the cash inflow will be down considerable and then rebuilt in the year when the CCWC event is held. **Note.6.**

INTERNATIONAL DRAGON BOAT FEDERATION

Balance Sheet

	2012	2013	2014	Notes to Reports
Assets				
Current Assets				
Cash In Hand			\$611.00	1
Cheque Account	\$70,449.34	\$85,780.65	\$89,902.85	
Total Cash In Hand	\$70,449.34	\$85,780.65	\$90,513.85	
Trade Debtors	\$9,025.00	\$740.00	\$4,926.46	2
Tampa 2011 Organising Com	\$15,000.00			3
Total Current Assets	\$94,474.34	\$86,520.65	\$95,440.31	
Total Assets	\$94,474.34	\$86,520.65	\$95,440.31	
Liabilities				
Current Liabilities				
Trade Creditors	\$9,437.00	\$9,437.00	\$10,468.24	4
Membership paid in advance	\$250.00			
Accruals Owing	\$8,343.00	\$30,890.14	\$8,684.23	5
Windy City			\$500.00	
Ravenna 2014 – Dragon Boat ASAD			\$760.75	
Total Current Liabilities	\$18,030.00	\$40,327.14	\$20,413.22	
Total Liabilities	\$18,030.00	\$40,327.14	\$20,413.22	
Net Assets	\$76,444.34	\$46,193.51	\$75,027.09	
Equity				
IDBF Equity				
Capital	\$76,444.34	\$76,444.34	\$76,444.34	
Retained Earnings			(\$30,250.83)	6
Current Year Earnings	\$0.00	-	\$28,833.58	
Total Equity	\$76,444.34	\$46,193.51	\$75,027.09	

Ratio Analysis

Liquidity Ratio = Current Assets / Current Liabilities	5.24	2.15	4.67
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Desirable level is 2

A current ratio that is too high may indicate investment in current assets that could otherwise be used to produce income.

A current ratio that is too low means there may not be enough current assets to meet short term financial obligations when they are due

INTERNATIONAL DRAGON BOAT FEDERATION**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENTS**

	2013	2014	Notes to Reports
Income			
Membership Fees - Rev	\$3,310.27	\$5,345.60	
IDBF Patrons Club	\$3,750.00	\$1,075.56	
IDBF Partners Scheme Rev	\$6,981.00	\$500.00	
Boat Spec & Product License Rev	\$11,271.00	\$6,966.40	
Paddle Spec & Product Fees	\$3,394.50	\$4,588.49	
Sale of Dragon Boats	\$18,582.00	\$520.00	
WC Registration Rev	\$41,791.45	\$515.88	
Club Crew World Championships		\$87,041.41	
World Cup Sanctioning Fees		\$5,000.00	
IDBF Admin Fee for Examination		\$400.00	
WC Other Rev	\$6,000.00		
Additional WebStream Basis		\$950.00	
Late Fees Collected		\$1,418.30	
Miscellaneous Income	\$2,109.04	\$9,273.28	
Total Income	\$97,189.26	\$123,593.92	
Gross Profit	\$97,189.26	\$123,593.92	
Expenses			
Membership & Legal Affairs			
SportAccord	\$5,039.07	\$5,760.84	
Marketing/Publicity/Sport Dev			
Marketing Expenses	\$438.96		
Newsletters	\$2,176.00		
Development - boats & other costs			
Development Boats Transport Ex	\$12,123.42	\$9,559.25	
Purchase of boats	\$10,207.00		
DBFA - Africa Support Develop		\$1,856.00	
World Championships			
World Championship Expenses	\$23,884.22		
Club Crew World Championships			
Race Officials Accommodation & Travel		\$598.00	
World Championship Expenses		\$3,882.60	
Club Crew World Championships		\$27,045.99	
World Cup Expenses			
World Cup Expenses		\$4,220.93	
Live Streaming			
Live Streaming	\$6,442.95	\$4,677.30	
WADA			
WADA Expenses		\$445.13	
Administration Expense			
Telephone & Postage	\$3,460.53	\$3,045.49	
Accounting Annual Fee - MYOB		\$431.95	
Office Supplies	\$918.94		
ICT Expenses	\$2,203.91	\$2,729.80	
Translation Expenses	\$600.00		
Secretariat Expenses	\$412.71		
Agency Fees	\$600.00		
Miscellaneous Expenses	\$16,258.04	\$377.05	3
Printing Expenses		\$762.56	

Travel Expenses - Executive	\$22,203.50	
Travel Expenses - Grants	\$4,589.33	
IDBF Symposium Costs		\$1,818.30
Management Fees	\$6,914.29	\$10,030.32
Write Off Expenses		
Other Write Off Expenses	\$7,287.50	2
Financial Expenses		
Bank & Exchange Rate Expenses	\$1,679.72	\$2,871.18
Total Expenses	<u>\$127,440.09</u>	<u>\$94,760.34</u>
Operating Profit	<u>(\$30,250.83)</u>	<u>\$28,833.58</u>
Total Other Income	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Other Expenses	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
Net Surplus / (Loss)	<u>(\$30,250.83)</u>	<u>\$28,833.58</u>

NOTES TO THE INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENTS

- Trade Debtors – written off outstanding debtors
- Write off of the dragon boats – Tampa

ATTACHMENT M

AUDITORS REPORT TO THE MEMBERS 15th ORDINARY CONGRESS



ALEXANDROU GROUP

INTERNATIONAL DRAGON BOAT FEDERATION

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 2014

Audit Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements of **International Dragon Boat Federation** are properly drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of: the state of affairs as at 31st December, 2014 and of the results of the Club for the financial year ended on that date.

ALEXANDROU GR

ANTHONY ALEXANDROU, FCPA
Company Auditor's Reg'n No: 3662
2nd December 2014

- The writer states that he does not hold any office or interest in International Dragon Boat Federation.
- This opinion is to be read in conjunction with our comments on the Scope of the audit attached hereto.

14th August, 2015

**INTERNATIONAL DRAGON BOAT FEDERATION INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 2014**

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Scope

We have audited the financial statements of *International Dragon Boat Federation* for the year ended 31st December, 2014 being a special purpose financial report consisting of the Profit and Loss Account and Balance Sheet.

The Club's members are responsible for the preparation and presentation of the financial statements and the information they contain. The members have determined that the basis of accounting used is appropriate to meet the requirements of the Corporations Law and the needs of the members. We have conducted an independent audit of the financial statements in order to express an opinion on them to the members of International Dragon Boat Federation.

No opinion is expressed as to whether the basis of accounting used is appropriate to the needs of the members.

The financial statements have been prepared for distribution to the Clubs' members for the purpose of fulfilling the requirements of the Corporation Law. We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report, or on the financial statements prepared as a special purpose financial report to which it relates, to any person other than the members, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

The scope of audit was only to verify the major asset (Bank) and to comment on the association's position.

After reviewing the operations of International Dragon Boat Federation we make the following recommendations:-

- IDBF is not registered as an organisation - we recommend that this should be corrected immediately.
- IDBF does not hold directors and officer's insurance - we recommend that this should be corrected immediately.
- Bank charges are too high – the average of cost of a bank transfer is in excess of US \$60 per transfer.
- IDBF is limited to opening another bank account because of the limitation of them not being a registered organisation and the world money laundering regulations.
- IDBF cannot make electronic bank transfers.
- IDBF is holding too much cash in a non interest bearing account which restricts interest being a cash inflow.
- Money is being paid by directors and not being claimed within sufficient timelines and was not being recorded as a current liability. There is now a restriction on this happening again as all accounts must be claimed within a three month timeline – should be monitored regularly.
- There are no minutes between the IDBF Executive for expenditure.
- No operational plan was evident and expenditure is not linked to the operational/annual business plan.

