

# International Korfball Federation

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## Minutes for the General Meeting of the International Korfball Federation

held on Saturday 09 August 2019  
in Garden Court Marine Parade Hotel, Durban, South  
Africa

at 9:00 AM local time

*Registration at the venue from 8:30  
Meeting starts exactly at 9:00*



## 1. Opening and Announcements

### a) Opening

### b) President's Address

*Presidents, Secretary Generals, and other representatives of our Continental Confederations and our National Organizations,*

*Colleagues on the IKF Council,*

*Members of IKF Committees,*

*And those of you distinguished by the IKF for your contribution to the development of korfball, of which I would like to especially mention our honorary members*

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*Graham Crafter, Frank Buvens and Ben Crum, and the bearers of the IKF Badge of Honour Peter Alan, Valerie Crafter, Frans Walvis, and Les Williams.*

*It is my pleasure and privilege to welcome you to the General Meeting of the International Korfball Federation, here in Durban, South Africa.*

*It is the second time we are on the African Continent, but our presence on the continent is incomparable to when we were here in 2001 on the occasion of the U23 World Korfball Championship. Whereas at that time South Africa was the only country playing korfbal, we now count 10 member federations on the continent, with Zimbabwe competitively almost at equal level with South Africa, just missing the African title last year by one goal, and especially lots of activity in West Africa, with Cameroon, Ghana, Ivory Coast and Morocco making great progress. It is very much a pity that – with the exception of Zimbabwe - they are unable to be with us today, but we send our regards all over the continent as having our Championship here is a tribute to every single korfbal player in Africa.*

*As we and many other sports have experienced, hosting a championship in Africa is a different challenge from any of the other continents. It is easy start making comparisons to previous Championships in Europe or Asia but this is not fair to anyone. This Championship needs to be evaluated by itself and against its own criteria. As such, I am very appreciate of the efforts laid out by the South African Korfball Federation and I would like to thank the SAKF for their efforts in realizing this Championship. I would like to invite the President of the SAKF to receive the commemorative diploma, with which we also thank the Local Organizing Committee lead by Chris Theyse, and the volunteers that worked tirelessly over the past week.*

*Moving on to the business of today's meeting, I had planned four years ago – or I should say: until two months ago - to address you in a different way, as it was definitely my intention to say goodbye to all of you and step down here in Durban.*

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*Having served as your President for 16 years now, it is more than a good moment to change the Presidency. From the perspective of good governance this is required, and from the perspective of bringing in new ideas and leadership, it is good for any organization to regularly change their leadership.*

*However, the nominating committee informed me several months ago that their search for a new President was difficult. Requirements are extensive, as the global korfball community is looking for a leader that not only chairs the International Federation and leads its growth and development, but at the same time for someone that is able to strengthen us commercially, has a strong intercultural orientation and sensitivity, is grounded in the values of our sport, is able to deal with both very large professional members and very small unstable new korfball organizations, and finally is willing to invest extensive volunteer time and money to do the job. The question that will need to be asked is whether it is appropriate to request all of this from a single person, and whether the profile would need to be adjusted to be complimentary to the other key players in the IKF leadership, namely the Secretary General, the Senior Vice-President, and the CEO.*

*I have responded affirmatively to the request of the nominating to committee to serve one additional term, especially because the Secretary General, who chaired the committee, can be very convincing as many of you know, and moreover because Rob Meijer, President of the national federation of which I am still a member, requested me to continue.*

*As you see in today's agenda, however, we are proposing a change in the statutes that would not provide such a solution in four years' time: by then really a successor would need to be identified that carries wide support amongst the membership. I believe we still follow the right procedure in seeking a consensus candidate. In the search for the next IKF President, I will get more actively involved than I have been in the past process, and I personally think it should be clear within the next 12*

*months who will be the next IKF President from 2023 onwards, or earlier if the candidate is ready to do the job earlier.*

*This is all the more important because we cannot remain where we are. We have seen steady growth in all dimensions over the past decades. We need to count our blessings in terms of global representation. Only this week I received a message from our Past President Bob de Die who wrote to me that he would never have thought to have been able to watch such a competitive and high-level match between China and Suriname being played in Africa and live-streamed to his home in the Netherlands.*

*As I have outlined in my opening address of the Congress on Wednesday, however, we need to stretch our targets and goals, and our vision, to not only lay out a path for Olympic inclusion, but also to remain relevant in the world of sport. We need to be prepared that gender equality will no longer be our unique selling point, and further strengthen that in everything we do in order to stay ahead of the competition of other sports. We need to develop our game such that we can grow faster in different territories and appeal to youths with changing backgrounds and interests.*

*For this, we will need to make choices. The IKF's executive committee, the IKF Office, and many of the IKF volunteers, are currently stretched beyond any reasonable limit, and last week was exemplary in that sense. We very much appreciate all of the support that we receive, especially from the KNKV, KBKB, CTKA, and Chinese Korfball Association. However, we will need to be able to expand our office staff soon in order to meet not only the stretching targets we talked about over the past two days, but also to even maintain the standards of work of what we do now in a sustainable manner.*

*However, in all of these changes, we need to remain true to our values that have helped us get here from when the true international expansion of korfball started in the mid-1970s: a community of korfball players and administrators that cares about*

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*each other, that shares the common values of equality, and that creates friendships for life.*

## THANK YOU

*Before I proceed with the presentation of the inaugural World Korfball Awards, I would like to distinguish one person that has made an incredible contribution to the development of korfbal, and that is Mr Rob Smith from New Zealand.*

*Rob, can I ask you come forward.*

*Rob Smith is by all means the founder of any current korfbal activity in New Zealand. For well over twenty years, with multiple starts and near-deaths of the Federation, Rob has persisted to drive the development of korfbal in New Zealand. The current inaugural presence of New Zealand at this WKC is definitely also the fruit of his long-term vision to invest in youth development 5-6 years ago, to start a program targeted at being here in South Africa. The development has been enormous and impressive, and I am convinced we have seen only the start of this, especially since all of this is grounded in an extensive youth program with Canterbury schools to further identify and develop talent for future generations of the national team. As you may have read, Rob was recently awarded the very first honorary life membership of Korfbal New Zealand.*

*Beyond this, Rob has also contributed extensively to work within the international federation, as a member of the IKF marketing and communications committee, and multiple times as member of the jury at major and minor IKF events.*

*I have always appreciated our extensive chats – actually I remember a loooooong chat in your car on a late evening in 2000 when I was in Christchurch on a business trip. I refer especially to the frequent chats about potential collaborations with our friends from netball, being the number one female sport in New Zealand.*

*Dear Rob, for all your endeavours to develop korfball in New Zealand and Oceania, and for your efforts to help develop the marketing and communications of the IKF, the IKF Council has decided to award you the IKF Badge of Honour.*

*Dear friends,*

*It is now my privilege to introduce to you the presentation of the inaugural IKF World Korfball Awards.*

*In our call for ideas to present at this year's World Korfball Congress, a very interesting suggestion was raised by Korfball Sri Lanka. KSL President Pushpa requested why the IKF only has awards for individuals and not for national federations. He actually said that it would be very encouraging if national federations would be recognized at our General Meeting, and this could be in various categories such as grassroots development, and innovative actions.*

*We have discussed this suggestion in the Exco and there was widespread support, but also very little time to deploy an extensive nomination and evaluation procedure. Hence, the Exco decided on the denomination of the awards, the rough criteria, and requested the relevant IKF Committee to select a first winner. All awards relate to the period since the previous General meeting, so they cover the time since July 2017 until a few weeks ago, when the awardees were selected.*

*I am now very pleased to present the winners of the five inaugural World Korfball Awards to you.*

***IKF World Korfball Award for best grassroots development***

***WINNER – KORFBALL ASSOCIATION OF THAILAND***

*Since being established in late 2017, KAT has undertaken significant development within Thailand and in the wider ASEAN region. In particular, their efforts to promote*

*korfball during the Sport Accord Convention in Thailand in April 2018 were significant and generated valuable publicity. Moreover, they have immediately started an extensive school program, school competitions with dozens of schools taking part and coaching education. Apart from youth development, they have already taken part in international events in the U19 and U16 age groups, and in the university beach korfball championship.*

*It is my pleasure to request Kevin Allen, Member of the IKF Council and Chairman of the IKF Development and Education Committee, to present this award to the Korfball Association of Thailand. Since Prof Supranee Kwamboochan could not be present, I would like to request the Chinese Taipei Korfball Association to accept the award on their behalf.*

### **IKF World Korfball Award for Best Elite Development**

WINNER – KORFBALL NEW ZEALAND INC

*For the country who had the biggest development in the performance, reflecting in the world ranking increase and in a sustainable way. For this award, we consider the countries with the largest leap on the international ranking since 1 January 2018, when the new ranking method was introduced. Furthermore, out of the countries rising most, we add an assessment to what extent this improvement in performance is sustainable and reflected in the prospects of the next generation of players.*

*I would like to invite the IKF Senior Vice-President, Mr Frans Walvis, to present the Award to Korfbal New Zealand.*

### **IKF World Korfball Award for Excellence in governance**

WINNER – FÉDÉRATION KORFBAL FRANCE

*The Fédération Korfbal France have demonstrated a framework and culture of governance over the past two years through their early and responsive engagement with the IKF across all areas. The federation is always prompt with submission of*

*entries and documents and payment of dues, including subscriptions. When the need arises, the French Federation contact the IKF early and with clear communication.*

*Fédération Korfball France has been a professional and trustworthy partner for the IKF in hosting tournaments, balancing opportunity and risk to deliver events of high quality for the enjoyment of the participants and the benefit of international korfball.*

*In the absence of the FKF at this meeting, I would like to request Mr Tilbert La Haye, Chief Executive of the IKF, to present the Award to Mr Frank Buvens, mentor of the FKF.*

### **IKF World Korfball Award for Best event**

*WINNER – IKF OPEN EUROPEAN BEACH KORFBALL CHAMPIONSHIP 2017 - KNKV*

*The IKF Open European Beach Korfball Championship 2017 was the first official IKF beach korfball tournament and it was more than just a competition, it was a real event.*

*It took place in a big beach stadium with an enthusiastic and professional organisation which determined the standard for the next IKF Beach Korfball events, with music, DJ, live announcing, videos, photographers, very good promotion, lots of spectators, a side-event tournament for local youth Beach korfball and great ambiance for the teams*

*I would like to request Gert Dijkstra, IKF Special Delegate for competition matters, Member of the IKF Council, and Chairman of the IKF Competitions Committee, to present the Award to the KNKV.*

*Finally,*

### **IKF World Korfball Award for Innovation**

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## WINNER – ENGLAND KORFBALL ASSOCIATION

*Korfball players and fans, like anyone else in the world, have been using social media for quite some time. However, within korfball there have been very few that have used social media strategically at an institutional level. England Korfball is one of the few exceptions. While much of the social media related to korfball is very much targeted at those within our community, England Korfball has consistently targeted to connect and reach out to those outside our community, relating strongly to other British and English sports, and to events and issues in society at large. In that respect, the recognition it has received is outstanding, and the reach of korfball messages is well beyond the thousands that are reached if we keep within our community. An example of this is the reach of this year's England Korfball Finals, that had an extensive reach across English social media in the hundreds of thousands.*

*I would like to request Danielle Ruts, Member of the IKF Council, to present the Award to the EKA.*

*It is now my pleasure to declare this meeting opened and I request my colleagues to seat themselves here at the table.*

*Frans Walvis*

*Dear delegates,*

*As we take leave from Frans Walvis today, it is probably fair to say that we take leave from a remarkable person. Frans is remarkable in many ways, but I would like to highlights one matter in particular and this is his endless love for tiny details. I actually should say such tiny details that they often seems irrelevant to me or anyone else on the Executive Committee, and often also unrelated to what we are discussing.*

*However, in the many different tasks that Frans has conducted in the IKF, details do matter. Frans has been very persistent in stressing it would be quality only that would count if we do livestreaming, that details in contracts matter, and that he has been dealing with our main sponsor and also taking care of the details in that relationship.*

*As many of you know, I not good at caring about and keeping an eye on details. In that sense, especially in the first decade of Frans's service on the IKF Council, we have been very complimentary in what we have brought to the IKF. While Frans sometimes may not be easy to deal with – I always remind myself that Frans has been trained in a computer science discipline and as you know computer science only consists of 1s and 0, rights and wrongs – and it was my role to reach a conclusion that in many cases was not black or white, but often greyish.*

*Frans, the entire Council would like to thank you for the extensive amount of work you have conducted for the IKF. Much of this has been done in the background, not visible to many, but with a lasting legacy for the IKF.*

*To thank you for your efforts, the Council proposes to the General Meeting to award you the Honorary Membership of the International Korfball Federation.*

*Les Williams*

*Dear Les,*

*You have been President of the SAKF for over 20 years. It was your dream to have this culminate in bringing the World Korfball Championship to South Africa. This week we face this taking place, after several bids by the SAKF.*

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*As I mentioned today, organizing a Championship in South Africa is a challenge. Multiple of our fellow federations have backed out of earlier commitments. You always ensured that matters would end up well.*

*As few of you know, we went through some very difficult moments this week, but I must say that at the right moment you stepped in, took personal responsibility for the event, and ensured that we would be able to continue more or less as planned.*

*I would like to personally express my gratitude for that, along with the many years of your life you have given to the promotion and development of sport in general, and of korfbal in particular.*

*The IKF already awarded you the Badge of Honour in 2001, at a time when it was customary by my predecessor to award the Badge of Honour to the President of the national organization hosting a major championship. We do not have this custom any more, but I now can say without any hesitation that your many years of service on the SAKF and IKF Africa, and with this WKC, my predecessor was actually clairvoyant in the sense that this Badge of Honour has been well-deserved over time.*

*Now that you are retiring, I would like to present you with a commemorative recognition.*

### **c) Inaugural presentation of the World Korfbal Awards**

During the President's address the following World Korfbal Awards were presented:

- ***IKF World Korfbal Award for Best Grassroots Development – winner:***  
*KORFBALL ASSOCIATION OF THAILAND*
- ***IKF World Korfbal Award for Best Elite Development – winner:***  
*KORFBALL NEW ZEALAND INC*

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- ***IKF World Korfball Award for Excellence in Governance*** – winner: *FÉDÉRATION KORFBAL FRANCE*
- ***IKF World Korfball Award for Best Event*** – winner: *IKF OPEN EUROPEAN BEACH KORFBALL CHAMPIONSHIP 2017 – KNKV*
- ***IKF World Korfball Award for Innovation*** – winner: *ENGLAND KORFBALL ASSOCIATION*

**d) Verification of credentials**

The IKF Secretary General made the roll call. The IKF (full) members absent from the meeting were Armenia, France, Indonesia, Portugal and Russia. India was also not present due to its on going suspension.

There were no proxy votes, so 49 votes (89%) were present at the GM.

The absolute majority was 25 votes and the special majority was 37 votes.

**e) Announcements**

**2. Adoption of the Minutes of the General Meeting held on 20 August 2017 in Den Haag (The Hague), Netherlands**

Approved unanimously

**3. Annual Report for the year 2017\***

There were no comments to the report and it was approved unanimously.

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**4. Financial Report for the year 2017 and associated report of the Auditing Committee** (contained in the Annual Report 2017)

There were no comments to the report and it was approved unanimously.

**5. Approval of the accounts for the year 2017**

Approved unanimously

**6. Discharge of the Council for the year 2017**

The GM unanimously voted to discharge the Council.

**7. Annual Report for the year 2018\***

There were no comments to the report and it was approved unanimously.

**8. Financial Report for the year 2018 and associated report of the Auditing Committee** (contained in the Annual Report 2018)

There were no comments to the report and it was approved unanimously.

**9. Approval of the accounts for the year 2018**

The accounts were approved unanimously.

**10. Discharge of the Council for the year 2018**

The GM voted unanimously to discharge the Council.

**11. Subscriptions and levies for 2020 and 2021**

The Treasurer addressed the meeting and explained the proposals for the subscriptions and levies for 2020 and 2021.

The proposed subscriptions and levies were approved unanimously.

**12. Budgets for 2020 and 2021**

The Treasurer addressed the meeting and explained the budget proposals. Questions from the meeting were answered. The meeting then unanimously approved the budgets.

The President then thanked the Treasurer and Financial Administrator for their excellent work.

**13. Membership**

**a) Ratification of Korfball Association of Thailand as Associate Member of the IKF**

Approved unanimously

**b) The Council does not propose any of the current Associate Members to become Full Member**

**c) Replacement of the IKF Member in Greece**

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The Hellenic Korfball and Ball Sports Federation, the current (Associate) Member of the IKF in Greece, has requested the IKF to have the Greek Korfball Association recognised as its successor in terms of Membership of the IKF. Following the verification of the Statutes and Legal Status, the IKF Council proposed to the General Meeting to grant this request.

The GM unanimously approved the Greek Korfball Association as the new Greek associate member.

#### **d) Suspension of the membership of the Korfball Federation of India**

The President provided an update to the General Meeting on the status of the suspension of the Korfball Federation of India. There is no proposal to lift the suspension at this time.

It is extremely difficult to have a complete overview on the entire situation in India. There are a couple of fundamental flaws in the governance of the KFI related to their constitution and statutes.

As a condition to lift this suspension, IKF informed KFI they have to change their constitution and statutes.

Last year the President, SG and CEO had a meeting with KFI regarding this situation where they agreed to send all the required documents, including proper Statutes, but until now nothing was received.

There was not a proposal of the Council to lift the suspension.

The Council requested the GM to approve a new mandate for the Council to lift this suspension in case the necessary conditions are met.

The mandate was approved unanimously.

The Council will continue to work on this and will keep members apprised of any progress.

## **14. Changes in the Statutes**

### **a) Change in the Statutes: Term limits**

The IKF Executive Committee proposed to instate term limits on the President, the Continental Vice-Presidents and the Members of the Executive Committee as of any election after the 2019 General Meeting.

The proposal to instate term limits was approved unanimously.

### **b) Change in Statutes: Ethics Committee**

The IKF Executive Committee proposed to instate an IKF Ethics Committee to be in line with the common practice in the Olympic Movement.

The proposal to instate an IKF Ethics Committee was approved unanimously.

Five members will constitute the new IKF Ethics Committee.

## **15. Adoption of the IKF Code of Ethics**

The IKF Council proposed to adopt the IKF Code of Ethics, which is based on the Code of Ethics of the Olympic Movement.

The new IKF Code of Ethics and its adoption was approved unanimously by the GM.

## **16. Changes in the IKF Disciplinary Procedures**

The IKF Council proposed some changes in the IKF Disciplinary Procedures to reflect the adoption of the IKF Code of Ethics.

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These changes were approved unanimously.

## **17. Composition of the Executive Committee**

### **a) Election of the President (Article 10.2(a)(i))**

President FRANSOO has indicated at the General Meeting held in 2015 his desire that his current term would be his last. The IKF Executive Committee has appointed a Nomination Committee to seek candidates for a new President. The Nomination Committee consists of Ms Joana FARIA (IKF Secretary General, Chair), Mr Rob MEIJER (President, KNKV), Ms Danielle RUTS (President, KBKB), Dr English YC HUANG (President, IKF Asia), Mr Tilbert LA HAYE (CEO, IKF).

The Nomination Committee has not yet been able to find an individual that is willing and capable to commit to the next phase of development of the IKF and has requested the president Mr Jan FRANSOO (NED) to make himself available for a maximum duration of one more term, until a good successor has been identified. Mr FRANSOO has responded positively to this request in the interest of the IKF.

The Nomination Committee with the support of the IKF Council and the KNKV (NED) proposed to re-elect Mr Jan FRANSOO (NED) as president.

No other nominations for the position of President had been received.

Mr FRANSOO was re-elected by acclamation with widespread support from the GM.

### **b) Election of the Members of the Executive Committee (Article 10.2(a) (iii))**

In accordance with the Statutes the following have completed their elected term of office:

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- Mr Frans WALVIS (NED)
- Ms Danielle RUTS (BEL)

Ms RUTS has indicated she is available for a further term. The KBKB (BEL) and the IKF Council support this nomination and recommend electing Ms RUTS for a further term.

No other nominations for the position of member of the Council has been received and Ms Danielle RUTS (BEL) was re-elected by acclamation by the GM.

It is the intention of the current Council to re-appoint Ms RUTS as IKF Treasurer following her re-election.

The Nomination Committee for the President has been requested to find suitable candidates. Among all nominees, the Council actively sought to further improve the gender balance in the Executive Committee.

The Nomination Committee proposed to nominate Ms Anita DERKS (NED) as a member of the Executive Committee. This nomination was supported by KNKV and made on behalf of the IKF Council.

No other eligible nominations for the position of Member of the Council had been received. Ms Anita DERKS (NED) has been elected by acclamation by the GM.

Mr WALVIS has indicated he is not available for a further term.

The Council, approved by the GM, awarded the Honorary Membership of the IKF to Mr Frans WALVIS due to his long lasting work in the developing of Korfball in the world.

## **18. Confirmation of the election of the Continental Vice-Presidents**

In accordance with the IKF Statutes, the Continental Vice-Presidents should be elected by the respective Continental Confederations of the IKF.

IKF Africa have held their elections in 2018 and have elected Mr Chris THEYSE as its second President. Mr THEYSE has been nominated to become IKF Continental Vice-President for Africa and Member of the IKF Council as per 9 August 2019.

IKF Asia have held their election during the U21 Asia-Oceania Korfball Championship in May 2019 in China, and have re-elected Dr Inghish Y.C. HUANG as its President. Mr HUANG has been nominated to remain IKF Continental Vice-President for Asia and Member of the IKF Council.

IKF Oceania has nominated Mr Tim MILLER to continue as IKF Continental Vice-President for Oceania and Member of the IKF Council.

IKF Europe is in the process of re-establishment.

The IKF Council requested permission from the general assembly to be able to confirm the nomination of the IKF Continental Vice-President Europe following such elections at a later stage.

IKF Americas does not yet have any (full) members in the IKF, and hence this position will remain vacant until an Associate Member in the Americas reaches (full) member status.

## **19. Election of the Members of the General Meeting Committees**

### **a) Members of the Auditing Committee**

Three Members should be elected.

In accordance with the Statutes the following have completed their elected term of office as Member of the Auditing Committee and were eligible for re-election

- Ms Samantha WELLS (ENG)

- Ms Heidi SMETS (BEL)

Mr Richard RENSEN was not available for a further term.

KNKV (NED) has proposed Mr Jan BEUNDER as a Member of the Auditing Committee.

No further nominations have been received.

Ms SMETS, Ms WELLS and Mr BEUNDER were elected at the Meeting, in accordance with Article 9.12(c) of the IKF Statutes.

The Members of the Auditing Committee shall elect one of their members as chair.

#### **b) Deputy Members of the Auditing Committee**

Two Deputy Members should be elected.

The current Deputy Member Mr Danny FONTEYNE (BEL) was available for a second term as Deputy Member.

The KNKV (NED) has proposed Mr Jeffrey HINNEN (NED) as the second Deputy Member of the Auditing Committee.

No further nominations have been received.

Mr FONTEYNE and Mr HINNEN were elected at the Meeting, in accordance with Article 9.12(c) of the IKF Statutes.

#### **c) Disciplinary Committee**

Seven Members should be elected.

The following Members were eligible for a further term:

- Bert KOSMEIJER (NED)

- Jan DE NEF ( BEL)
- Martina BOUMAN (CZE)
- Ngaire SMITH (NZL)
- Sarah VERSTRAELEN (BEL)
- Siu Ching TAI (HKG)

Mr Henk WELMERS (NED) was not available for a further term.

The KNKV (NED) has nominated Ms Anne van VEGCHEL (NED).

No further nominations have been received.

These seven candidates were elected at the Meeting, in accordance with Article 9.12(c) of the IKF Statutes.

The Members of the Disciplinary Committee shall elect one of their members as chair.

#### **d) Appeals Committee**

Seven Members should be elected.

The following Members were eligible for a further term:

- Frank BACKX (NED)
- Graham CRAFTER (ENG)
- Jan VAN DEN BERGHE (BEL)
- Marjan DE JONG (NED)
- Pedro BERJANO DE OLIVEIRA (POR)

Mr Bob DE DIE (NED) and Ms Melanie JOHNSON (AUS) are not available for a further term.

Korfball Australia (AUS) has nominated Mr Michael SPENCER (AUS) as a Member of the Appeals Committee.

The Zimbabwe Korfball Federation has nominated Mr Tarirai CHADEBAH (ZIM).

No further nominations have been received, hence these seven candidates were elected at the Meeting, in accordance with Article 9.12(c) of the IKF Statutes.

The Members of the Appeals Committee shall elect one of their members as chair.

#### **e) Ethics Committee**

Hence the changes in the Statutes proposed under item 14b of this Agenda were adopted, five Members should be elected to the inaugural IKF Ethics Committee.

The KBKB (BEL) has nominated Mr Jean-Claude GHILLEBERT.

The English Korfball Association (ENG) has nominated Mr Graham CRAFTER

The Federação Portuguesa de Corfebol (POR) has proposed Mr Pedro BERJANO DE OLIVEIRA

The KNKV has nominated Ms Corrie NOOM.

Korfball New Zealand Inc. (NZL) has nominated Ms Ursula CHEER (NZL)

No further nominations have been received, hence these five candidates were elected at the Meeting, in accordance with Article 9.12(c) of the IKF Statutes.

The Members of the Ethics Committee shall elect one of their members as chair.

## **20. Items brought forward from the Congress or from the Continental Confederations**

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In a first light evaluation of the Congress, in general IKF Council is very happy with the participation of the members in the Congress.

No items were brought forward that need an official approval.

## **21. International Tournament Calendar**

The International tournament calendar for the next 4 years was presented.

The IKF Council announced that the IKF European Korfball Championship 2022 was awarded to Czech Republic

The IKF Council announced that the IKF WKC 2023 was awarded to CTKA.

The Council has decided to also award the IKF WKC 2027 to the KNKV.

## **22. Postponement of the Approval of the Annual Reports 2019 and 2020 until the General Meeting of 2021**

In line with the Netherlands legislation, these permissions are necessary in order to be able to have our General Meeting on a biannual basis.

Approved unanimously.

## **23. Place and Date of the next General Meeting**

The IKF will send out a call for hosting the 2021 General Meeting and Congress in early 2020.

## **24. Any other business**

### **a) Athletes Committee**

Three Members should be elected by all athletes taking part in the 2019 IKF World Korfball Championship.

The elections occurred on 1<sup>st</sup> August 2019 at Royal Hotel, Durban, South Africa. All the participant players were called to vote.

The elected members of the Athletes Committee were

Mr Davesh PATEL (ENG)

Ms Jessica May (AUS)

Mr Ricky Wu (TPE)

## **25. Closure of the General Meeting**

The IKF is a member of the Association of IOC Recognized International Sports Federations (ARISF), the International World Games Association (IWGA) and the Global Association of International Sports Federations (GAISF).