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Invitation and timetable were published in separate documents.

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1. Opening of the meeting

The Plenary overall procedures are detailed in CIVL Internal Regulations: Annexe 1a. Majority and voting procedures are explained in a table: Annexe 1b and 1c.

Proxy votes

There were two proxies for the purposes of voting: Germany given to Switzerland; Canada given to USA

Recording

It was stated that the Plenary was being recorded electronically: (GPDR regulations)

Procedures

The plenary specific procedures were explained as required.

Secret voting would be deferred to Sunday at 10:00 am

CIVL President Welcome Speech

The CIVL President welcomed everyone:

- Honoured guests
- Delegates, alternate delegates and observers
- CIVL bureau members and committee chairs

This is not a typical plenary. Twenty participants are present on site and thirty-nine are present via Zoom conference. Special equipment allows to us transmit live discussions via zoom and communicate effectively.

The plenary specific procedures are explained: Non-secret votes will be run on zoom chat, secret votes if required can be run via online form.

As due to Zoom specifics not all the delegates were actually present during all sessions CIVL

Present ran a roll call before each voting on day 1 and 2.

Roll call, apologies and proxies.

CIVL Bureau Members: Andy Cowley – Goran Dimiskovski – Igor Erzen –Bill Hughes – Stephane Malbos – Zeljko Ovuka – Jamie Shelden

Committee Chairs: Claudio Cattaneo –Martin Jovanoski

Officers: Mitch Shipley (Safety)

Administrator: Elena Filonova

Honoured guests:

FAI President: David Monk

FAI Executive Board: Agust Gudmundsonn

FAI Secretary General: Markus Haggenev

EHPU Secretary General: Mark Shaw

Delegates and Alternate Delegates

Eduardo Sánchez Granel	Delegate	Argentina
Thomas Brandlehner	Alternate	Austria
Thomas Milko	Delegate	Brazil
Mario Campamella	Alternate	Brazil
Daniel Dimov	Alternate	Bulgaria
Jialun Hou	Alternate	China (People's Republic of)

Elsa L.C. Mai	Delegate	Chinese Taipei
Kamil Konecny	Delegate	Czech Republic
Niels Jorgen Askirk	Delegate	Denmark
Esa Alaraudanjoki	Delegate	Finland
Juha Herrala	Alternate	Finland
Marc Nossin	Delegate	France
Julien Garcia	Alternate	France
Ho-Nam Chiu	Alternate	Hong Kong, China
Adel Honti	Alternate	Hungary
Mohammad Razeghi	Delegate	Iran (Islamic Republic of)
Barbara Sonzogni	Delegate	Italy
Yoshiki Oka	Delegate	Japan
Akira Mutazono	Alternate	Japan
Inese Subevica	Delegate	Latvia
Goran Dimiskovski	Delegate	North Macedonia
Jon Erik Staurset	Alternate	Norway
Moonyeen Policarpio	Delegate	Philippines
Andy Jaxa Rozen	Delegate	Poland
Cristiano Pereira	Delegate	Portugal
Valentin Popa	Delegate	Romania
Alexandra Serebrennikova	Alternate	Russian Federation
Zeljko Ovuka	Delegate	Serbia
Igor Erzen	Delegate	Slovenia
José Manuel Sanchez Garcia	Alternate	Spain
Michael Sigel	Delegate	Switzerland
Veerayuth Didyasarin	Delegate	Thailand
Kamil Demirkan	Delegate	Turkey
Brett Janaway	Delegate	United Kingdom
Andy Shaw	Alternate	United Kingdom
Jamie Shelden	Delegate	USA
Bill Hughes	Alternate	USA

Observers

David Lo	Chinese Taipei
Sju Lee	Chinese Taipei
J Walter Valleho	Colombia
Tomas Senac	France
Aldy Patanroi	Indonesia
Gin Song	Korea
Artem Lozovoy	Russia
Marina Olexina	Russia
Antonio Lope Morales	Spain
Predrag Dudic	Serbia
Marko Milutinovic	Serbia
Nemaja Djordjevic	Serbia
John Stevenson	United Kingdom
Pedro Tirado	USA

2. Declaration of Conflicts of Interest

Refer to FAI Code of Ethic, Annexe 2

The following delegates declared their potential conflict of interests:

- Cristiano Barao Pereira
- Brett Janaway
- Michel Sigel
- Yoshiki Oka

3. Additions to the Agenda

The following additions to the agenda were stated:

Proposals Bureau

- Guidelines for gender-neutral rules (Annexe 23c). It has been rewritten and includes guidelines.
- Mandatory EMS (Annexe 23 d).
- Allocation deadlines (Annexe 23e).
- Add a Complaint/Protest template in Section 7i (Annexe 23f)

Proposal PG Aerobatic Committee

- Multiple. In red in new Section 7b document (Annexe 28a)
- Age for the Junior category (Annexe 28 b).

Proposal PG Accuracy Committee

- Judges Code removed from Section 7 (Annexe 27a)

Proposal Software & Formula

- Section 7F modifications Change definition of task distance (Annexe 30)

Proposal Bulgaria

- Information on the XC task board (Annexe 33 n)

Bid 1st FAI Asian-Oceanic Paragliding Championships

- Mungyeong, Gyeongsangbuk-do, Republic of Korea (Annexe 34f)

Bid 1st FAI Pan-American Paragliding Accuracy Championships

- Piedechinche, Colombia (Annexe 34 g)

To be discussed (Point 39)

- CIVL transgender policy. Currently, as per Plenary 2017 who approved a Bureau decision, the pilot is of the gender shown on his/her identification papers.
- Implementation of a Strategy Working Group

For all proposals – Vote – 2/3 qualified majority

Yes: 31

Nay: 0

Abstention: Not counted

All additions approved

4. Approval of the minutes of the 2020 Plenary meeting

Refer to Annexe 4.

Vote. Simple majority

Yes: 31

Nay: 0

Abstentions not counted

Approved

5. FAI

5.1. Report of the FAI Secretary General

Refer to Annexe 5 and Markus Haggeneys presentation.

Questions:

Michel Sigel: It is difficult to follow and understand. Could the Secretary General provide to Plenary delegates earlier next year?

Marcus Haggeneys: This report is basically compiled to give the “tone” of progress of the Secretariat. It has been given to all NACs previously for information purposes.

Andy Shaw: the report suggests that sponsorship revenue is down; what is the current situation?

Marcus Haggeneys: Past major agreements i have been discontinued and previous main financial support has been lost. The FAI is currently looking at a multi-year agreement where the FAI should be back on a healthy track.

David Monk: We have to be careful with the offers that have been received to ensure that each is beneficial both ways.

5.2. Welcome from the FAI President

David Monk complimented CIVL's progressive use of IT that allowed the Plenary to be so well attended. He explained that there had been positive changes within the FAI.

Governance and financial issues and trust have improved within the various organisations of the FAI.

The last time the FAI had achieved the budget was in the 2015 financial figures. Further he understood that 2021 will be the same and gave credit to the Secretariat.

Financial processes have necessarily improved and are now in-line with an external report's recommendations commissioned three years ago.

The lack of procedures in many areas is a weakness that is being addressed

Stephane Malbos: Yes, trust has improved and we now have a two-way street of communications.

Delegates should look at Annexe 6B that shows the Commission Presidents' Group history and present work. They show that we are all now working *together*.

6. Report of the CIVL President

Refer to Annexe 6a and b and Stephane Malbos' presentation.

There were no questions.

7. Report of Bureau decisions that need the Plenary approval

Refer to Annexe 7.

There were no questions.

Vote. Simple majority.

Yes: 31

Nay: 0

Abstention not counted

Approved.

8. Report of the CIVL Treasurer

Refer to Annexe 8a & b and Bill Hughes's presentation.

Questions:

Daniel Dimov: How much was spent on Aircore?

Bill Hughes: Spent to date €9k out of a Executive Board-approved €18k budget. We are budgeting for maintenance in future years.

Stephane Malbos: Due to late finalisation of results at the end of December, it is difficult to share the Treasurer's report before such an early Plenary. The vote on the budget is reported to Sunday so additional questions can be asked.

9. Approval of the 2021 accounts

Vote. Simple majority.

Yes: 32

Nay: 0

Abstention 0

Approved.

10. Discharge of Bureau responsibility for decisions since last Plenary

Requirement: The CIVL shall accept responsibility for all acts carried out by the President, the Bureau and the Committee Chairs of CIVL under the terms of the FAI Constitution and CIVL Internal Regulations and in good faith.

Vote. Simple majority.

Yes: 32

Nay: 0
Abstention 0
Approved.

11. 2021 Championships

11.1. Review of the 2021 Championships

Refer to Annexe 11a.

- 3rd FAI World PG Aerobatic – Trasaghis, Italy.
- 17th FAI World PG XC – Tucuman, Argentina.
- 11th FAI World PG Accuracy – Prilep, N. Macedonia.
- HG XC World Class 1 – Krushevo, N. Macedonia. Postponed to 2023.
- PG XC World – Chamoux-sur-Gelon, France. Postponed to 2023.

11.2. Live tracker Coordinator report – Annexe 11 b.

Refer to Annexe 11b and Elena Filonova's presentation.
There were no questions.

12. Review of the World Air Games and special events

None this year.

Stephane Malbos and Marcus Haggenev are currently compiling a historical and financial analysis of the World Air Games.

13. Annexe 13 — Report from the Hang Gliding XC Committee

Refer to Annexe 13 and Jamie Sheldon's presentation.

Spain confirmed that they would be putting in a bid for the 2025 World HG Class1 in Ager.

14. Report from the Paragliding XC Committee

Refer to Annexe 14 and Bill Hughes's presentation.

There were no questions.

15. Report from the Paragliding Accuracy Committee

Refer to Annexe 15 and Martin Jovanoski's presentation.

Questions:

Concern was voiced about reducing the maximum number of pilots.

Martin Jovanoski: Choosing the right number of pilots is a responsibility shared by the organiser and the Bureau. This number is published in the local regulations.

Andy Shaw: The PGA Committee has to be more efficient in finalising its work so it can move forward.

16. Report from the Paragliding Aerobatic Committee

Refer to Annexe 16 and Claudio Cattaneo's presentation.

Stephane Malbos: Whilst Aerobatics concerns only few pilots, it is highly visible and provides the best advertising of CIVL airsport to the public and potential sponsors.

Claudio Cattaneo: Synchro is very difficult to show as competitors prioritise their individual ambitions. They do not have the time to train; appropriate facilities are hard to find.

Details are given on the next possible Judging training in Guatemala.

An informal South/Central America Zoom/WhatsApp group will be formed.

17. Report on Safety

Refer to Annexe 17 and Mitch Shipley's presentation.

From Q&A we learnt that:

Minor and major injury depends on whether there is hospitalisation or not.

There is currently no breakdown between HG and PG for launch and landing incidents. The one fatality is studied. The discussion concerns the obligation of having two reserves and the need to control this or not during event. The discussion is cut short by the president as open meetings, not the plenary, are the place to do it. Third-party insurance and liability should cover officials. (It should be as per the organisers' agreement.)

18. Report from the Software Officers

Refer to Annexe 18 and Igor Eržen's presentation.
There were no questions.

19. Report from the Records & Badges Officer

Refer to Igor Eržen's presentation.
No significant activity to be reported
Igor Eržen: The FAI secretariat is responsible for verifying the records.
Stephane Malbos: A process is being studied so verification is done by the commission. The International Skydiving Commission (ISC) is leading the project.
Marcus Hagganey: At some point in 2021, there was a major backlog due to understaffing of the secretariat. We are back to normal. The Sporting Codes requirements sometimes cause complexity of verification.

20. Report from the Competition Coordinator

Refer to Annexe 20 and Elena Filonova's presentation.
Stephane Malbos explained how issues with Cat 2 events are treated, until a Bureau decision finalises the process.

21. Report from the Jury & Steward Coordinator

Refer to Annexe 21 and Jamie Shelden's presentation.
Jamie Shelden: The published list is subject to adjustments.
There were no questions.

22. Report from the Communication Officer

Refer to Annexe 22 and Elena Filonova's presentation.
Stephane Malbos explains the new Bureau policy to make sure that each Cat 1 gets media coverage on our website. It may involve local contacts and/or the physical presence of Elena.
Bill Hughes: A nominal amount (€2.5k) has been budgeted to that effect.

23. Proposals from the CIVL Bureau

23.1. Fairness in XC Team events. Refer – Annexe 23a.

S7 Common – 2.5.2 Individual Entry

Replace...

Current World and Continental Champions, male and female, and for paragliding XC competitions the top 5 women in the WPRS ranking, shall be allowed a discretionary entry to defend their title if not selected as part of the national entry, providing they have NAC approval. But they shall not score for their national team.

With...

In Paragliding Accuracy and Aerobatic, current World and Continental Champions shall be allowed a discretionary entry to defend their title if not selected as part of the national entry, providing they have NAC approval. But they shall not score for their national team.

The discussion was extensive and took place in many venues.
Following it, the Bureau withdrew its proposal and replaced it with:

The rule is adjusted so Defending Champions plus Top 5 Women combined extra spots are limited to only one extra spot to any nation.

Section 7a modified accordingly.

There are obvious issues with women and team representation in World PG XC events.

The Bureau will open a discussion on the matter. All solutions will be explored, including stand-alone Women and Team championships. The discussion may conclude with proposals to the 2023 plenary.

Vote – 2/3 qualified majority

Yes – 30

Nay – 0

Abs – 2

Approved

23.2. Paragliding XC World Events. Annexe 23 b.

Separate championship for Women

The proposal was withdrawn.

We are not ready at the moment and further discussion is required. It is underlined that the possibility to organise specific Women PG XC championships exists within the current rule. All that is needed is a bid and a plenary that accepts it.

23.3. Full Allocation Rounds Only

The proposal was withdrawn.

The consequences of the proposal need to be reviewed further. The overall allocation process is to be also reviewed.

23.4. Gender-neutral rules. Annexe 23c.

CIVL is to adopt a gender-neutral policy for its communication and documentation and make use of gender-inclusive language as far as possible. Section 7 will be modified to make it gender-neutral. These modifications will be considered as a cleaning-up exercise. The gender-neutral versions of Section 7 will be approved by the CIVL Bureau.

It was noted that this is a clean-up only.

No vote required.

The project will be moved forward.

23.5. Mandatory EMS. Annexe 23d.

It was agreed that the implementation of the API in the EMS will be done in consultation with all concerned parties. CIVL wishes to make a system that works for everyone, including the addressing of sporting licence issues and all Cat 2 events.

The proposal stayed unchanged.

Date of implementation to be: March 1, 2022.

Add in Section 7 Common 2.5 General Event Organisation

2.5.16 Event Managing System 2.5.16 Event Management System

Full use of the CIVL Event Management System is recommended, but not mandatory.

In First Category events and test events, it is mandatory to use the CIVL Event Management System for registration, allocation, publication of all documents and results. CIVL reserves the right to require and/or use other EMS functionalities, including media-orientated features.

For all events:

It is mandatory for all first time Second Category event pilots to register in civlcomps.org so they can get a CIVL ID.

Pilots must take extra care to fill all information correctly. Pilots who have not registered correctly in civlcomps.org will not be processed in the ranking of the event.
Organisers must make sure that the CIVL ID are correct at registration time and when sending the results.

Vote – 2/3 qualified majority

Yes – 29

Nay – 0

Abs – 2

Approved

23.6. Allocation deadlines. Annexe 23e.

The original proposal was amended as follows: **14 days instead of 7 days.**

Section 7a, b and c specify that allocation must be finalised 60 days before the start of the championship. The current texts are to be replaced by:

The allocation process takes part between three and two months before the start of the event. The local regulations shall state the precise deadlines.

After the two-month deadline, available spots may be allocated following the general principle of allocation until 14 days before the start of the event.

Between the 14-day deadline and the first pilots' briefing of the first task/round/run, only a missing pilot from a nation can be replaced by another one from the same nation.

Vote – 2/3 qualified majority

Yes: 26

Nay: 5

Abstention: 0

Approved

23.7. Complaint/Protest Template. Annexe 23f.

A Complaint/Protest template is required to be inserted into Section 7i Guidelines and Templates.

No vote needed in Section 7i as it contains only guidelines

24. Proposals from the Hang Gliding XC Committee

None received.

25. Proposals from the Paragliding XC Committee

None received.

26. Joint proposals from the Hang Gliding and Paragliding XC Committee

None received.

27. Proposals from the Paragliding Accuracy Committee

Judges Code to be removed from Section 7 (Annexe 27)

It is proposed that the Judges Code be removed from S7C (other than obligatory SC7C requirements like nation representation in Cat 1 events, etc.) and compiled as a free-standing document into the Paragliding / Documents / Officials / Judges section, together with the other judging documentation.

Vote – 2/3 qualified majority

Yes: 24

Nay: 1

Abstention: 6

Approved

28. Proposals from the Paragliding Aerobatic Committee

28.1. New Section 7b (Annexe 28a)

Changes are included in red in the annexe.

Vote – 2/3 qualified majority

Yes: 29

Nay: 0

Abstention: 0

Approved

28.2. Minimum representation (Annexe 28 b)

Proposal to add to Section 7 Common 2.5.5. Minimum representation

In all disciplines, the minimum representation in Continental events is not 3 countries with a at least 8 competitors, but 4 countries with at least 8 competitors.

For Aerobatics a minimum of 4 countries with a at least 5 competitors is required.

The two proposalswerenot clearly explained and voted on.

The CIVL Bureau, after consultation with the delegate, will take a decision to approve it or not. The Bureau decision will have to be approved by the 2023 plenary.

29. Proposals from the Safety Officers

None received.

30. Proposals from the Software Working Group

Section 7F Change definition of task distance: Annexe 30.

With the proposed change, pilots may choose a different point to touch the ESS cylinder than the one suggested by route optimisation, resulting in them flying a longer distance than the calculated task distance.

In general, it is accepted that pilots fly further than the task distance to complete a task. On the other hand, a pilot flying less than the task distance, and still completing the task appears to be wrong. But with the current definition of task distance, that will be possible.

With the proposed change, that possibility is removed.

Refer to the Annexe for details.

Vote – 2/3 qualified majority

Yes: 30

Nay: 0

Abstention: 0

Approved

31. Proposals from the Records & Badges Officer

Section 7F modifications: Annexe 31.

Tracklog recording interval is to be lowered from 5seconds to 1second.

It was noted that the recording interval in Section 7d and 7f is stated in several places: They will be adjusted accordingly.

Vote – 2/3 qualified majority

Yes: 30

Nay: 0

Abstention: 0

Approved

32. Proposals from the Jury & Steward Coordinator

None received.

33. Proposals from National Airport Control (NAC)

33.1. Switzerland - Creation of a Cat 1 PG XC championship for Junior (Annexe 33a)

The proposal was withdrawn. It is to be replaced by the following:

Section 7 Common is modified as follows:

2.2.1 Categories

First and Second Category events may take part in the following categories: Individual, Team Overall, Men, Women, Junior.

...

Vote – 2/3 qualified majority

Yes: 29

Nay: 0

Abstention: 1

Approved

33.2. Germany - Tolerance in all radius calculation, including CTR (Annexe 33 b)

The proposal was withdrawn.

A Working Group comprising manufacturers and CIVL representatives is to be formed to define a standard for distance calculation to the restricted airspace. There will be no tolerance.

No vote needed.

33.3. Germany - Airworthiness standards for harnesses (Annexe 33 b)

The proposal was withdrawn. It is to be replaced by the following:

Section 7a

8.5.1 Harnesses

To participate in First Category events, a harness and back protector combination must have been certified to LTF09 or EN1651:2018 or after, more than 90 days before the start of the event. CIVL publishes an indicative list on its website.

Vote – 2/3 qualified majority

Yes: 31

Nay: 0

Abstention: 0

Approved

33.4. France - Airspace declaration in records (Annexe 33c)

The proposal is amended by France as follows:

Section 7d 7.1 Soaring Task declaration form

Add an "Airspace List" at the end of the document so pilots can fulfil it at declaration.

AIRSPACE CERTIFICATE:

I certify that the entire flight was made without violating any applicable restricted airspace, except as detailed below (if applicable)

I obtained permission to enter the restricted area in advance and the details are below:

Restricted Airspace Reference:

Permission to enter details:

Authority:

Date/time of clearance:

Duration of clearance:

Pilot Signature:

O.O Signature:

Vote – 2/3 qualified majority

Yes: 12
Nay: 18
Abstention: 2
Failed

33.5. Bulgaria - Maximum number of pilots in PG XC Cat 1 (Annexe 33 d)

The proposal was amended as follows:

Section 7a

2.1 Entry

The maximum number of pilots permitted is 130. This may be increased by exception during the bid process.

It was noted that the date of implementation is: January 1st, 2025.

Vote – 2/3 qualified majority

Yes: 31

Nay: 0

Abstention: 0

Approved

33.6. Slovenia - Ballast (Annexe 33e)

The proposal was withdrawn.

33.7. Slovenia - Cloud Flying (Annexe 33f)

Section 7a 6.3.1 Cloud Flying

Cloud flying is prohibited and it is unsporting to gain an advantage by flying in cloud, and unsafe to fly in cloud because visual references are lost and it is impossible to maintain a safe separation from other pilots.

Cloud flying is defined as any part of the glider or the pilot disappearing from the view of observers or pilots close to him or her.

Pilots who climb too close to an active cloud in a strong thermal to the extent that they are not able to control their altitude may also be deemed to be cloud flying.

Since it is against the law to climb up the side of a cloud above the transition level, this may not be an acceptable excuse for being higher than other pilots in the case of a complaint.

It is the responsibility of the competitors to report cloud flying to the MD or the TD

If a pilot is inadvertently sucked into cloud, the onus is on that pilot to demonstrate that no advantage was gained. A pilot's tracklogs will be checked to determine whether advantage was gained by cloud flying whenever:

- They are observed by a competition official or air marshal going into cloud and completely disappearing from view **or**,
- At least 2 pilots witness the accused going up into cloud and disappearing from view and taking advantage from this action **or**,
- The Meet Director at his discretion reviews track log data that appears to show advantage being taken by cloud flying.

6.3 Specific Penalties

Cloud flying.

1st offence: 10 points

2nd offence: formula below

$$Pts_{penalty} = 1000 * \min \left(1, \frac{1 - 1.05^{depth}}{1 - 1.05^f} \right)$$

- f = 100:
- The penalty reaches 1000 points when depth ≥ 100m.

3rd offence: expelled from the competition.

Vote – 2/3 qualified majority

Yes: 29

Nay: 2

Abstention: 0

Approved

33.8. Slovenia - Penalties in stopped or cancelled tasks (Annexe 33 g)

Section 7a 6.3 Specific Penalties

In the case where task has been stopped or cancelled and a penalty cannot be given because the task has not been scored, a pilot will receive a 1st offence penalty in the form of Official warning.

Vote – 2/3 qualified majority

Yes: 31

Nay: 0

Abstention: 0

Approved

33.9. Slovenia - Penalties Restricted Airspace (Annexe 33h)

The proposal was withdrawn.

A Working Group comprising manufacturers and CIVL representatives is to be formed to define a standard for distance calculation to the restricted airspace. There will be no tolerance quoted.

No vote required.

33.10. Slovenia - WPRS Junior (Annexe 33i)

The proposal was amended as per the Aerobatic Committee proposal.

Section 7 Common is adjusted accordingly.

2.2.1 Categories

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Junior categories are called Junior U-XX (for Under XX-year of age). The age is determined by the calendar year in which the pilot has his birthday. The categories are

—XC: Junior U-26.

—Accuracy: Junior U-26.

—Aerobatic: Junior U-23.

Vote – 2/3 qualified majority

Yes: 29

Nay: 0

Abstention: 1

Approved

33.11. Slovenia - Minimum Tracklog Points Interval (Annexe 33j)

Section 7a 4.4.1 Minimum Track Log Points

The proposal was amended as follows:

The interval between points in the track log must be set to 1 second or less.

A pilot's track log must contain sufficient track log points to verify all control features of the task that has been set, except that 4.3.2 may be applied for a start. In the event of doubt about track log validity, 4.4.6 will apply.

Vote – 2/3 qualified majority

Yes: 31

Nay: 0

Abstention: 0

Approved

33.12. Slovenia - Re-Launch (Annexe 33 k)

The proposal was amended as follows:

Section 7a 3.3.9 Re-launch

Unless specified in the Local Regulations or announced at the Pilots briefing for the day, re-launches are not permitted.

Vote – 2/3 qualified majority

Yes: 30

Nay: 1

Abstention: 0

Approved

33.13. Slovenia - Protest (Annexe 33 l)

The proposal was withdrawn.

33.14. Great Britain - Training and qualification for key officials (Annexe 33 m)

The proposal was withdrawn.

A CIVL Strategy Working Group is to be formed as agreed between the proposer and the Bureau. See point 39b.

No vote required.

33.15. Bulgaria - Information on the XC task board (Annexe 33 n)

The proposal was withdrawn.

In Section 7a, information on XC task board is incomplete and spread in different items. This information will be cleaned out of S7a and included in a S7i new chapter: XC Task Board Template.

The template will recommend including the length of speed section, but it will not be a mandatory requirement.

No vote required.

34. Bids for 2024 Championships

34.1. 18th FAI European Paragliding Championships (Annexe 34 a)

Pegalajar, Andalucia, Spain.

Vote. Simple majority.

Approved by acclamation

34.2. 6th FAI Pan-American Paragliding Championships (Annexe 34 b)

Sierra del Velazco, La Rioja, Argentina.

Concerns had been voiced on (helicopter) recovery in the mountains; reprofiling of the Launch Site, and tasks taking place over private property.

It was noted that the CIVL Bureau has put a proviso document in place where requirements have to be met by the organisers. Work is required before the test event. It will be assessed by CIVL. If not satisfactory, the main event may be cancelled. A technical delegate will be appointed to work with the organisers.

Vote. Simple majority.

Approved by acclamation

34.3. 8th FAI European Paragliding Accuracy Championships (Annexe 34 c)

Leningrad Region, Russia.

Vote. Simple majority.

Approved by acclamation

34.4. 1st FAI World Junior Paragliding Championships (Annexe 34 d)

Tolmin, Slovenia.

Vote. Simple majority.

Approved by acclamation

34.5. 1st FAI Asian-Oceanic Paragliding Championships (Annexe 34 f)

Mungyeong, Gyeongsangbuk-do, Republic of Korea

Vote. Simple majority.

Approved by acclamation

34.6. 1st FAI Pan-American Paragliding Accuracy Championships (Annexe 34 g)

Piedechinche, Valle del Cauca, Colombia

Vote. Simple majority.

Approved by acclamation

34.7. Bid for 2022 Championship - 21st FAI World Hang Gliding Class 2 Championship (Annexe 34 e)

Aspres-sur-Buesch, France.

Approval of Bureau decision to award it. Vote. Simple majority.

Approved unanimously in Point 7.

35. Provisional budget

Refer to Annexe 35a and b and to Bill Hughes's presentation

Raising CIVL revenue was discussed. It will be on the agenda of the Strategy Working Group (see Point 39)

Vote – Simple majority

Yes: 32

Nay: 0
Abstention: 0
Approved

36. Nominations for Awards

FAI Air Sport Medal (Annexe 36)

Aero Club Lega Piloti, Aero Club Blue Phoenix and Volo Libero Friuli ASD

Vote – Simple majority

Yes: 31
Nay: 0
Abstention: 1
Approved

37. Venue of next Plenary meeting

A bid for the hosting the next Plenary was received from Porto, Portugal. Cristiano Pereira gave an explanation. The preferred date will be March 2 to 5, 2023

Vote – Absolute majority

Yes: 32
Nay: 0
Abstention: 0
Approved

38. Nomination and election of Bureau members and Committee Chairs

There was only one election this year: Paragliding XC Committee Chair.

Bill Hughes temporarily took over the post after Goran's resignation during the year. A Committee Chair doesn't need to be CIVL a Delegate.

It was proposed that Bill Hughes continues in the PGXC Committee Chair role.

Vote. Simple majority.

Approved by acclamation

39. Any other matters

39.1. CIVL transgender policy.

Currently, as per Plenary 2017 who approved a Bureau decision: pilots are of the gender shown on their national identification papers.

The plenary confirms this policy and will adjust Section 7 Common new 2.2.1 accordingly.

No vote needed.

39.2. CIVL Strategy Working Group

CIVL has many long-term objectives that require ongoing work to accomplish. Currently, the way CIVL functions, members get together once or twice a year to have concentrated discussions and vote on matters, but in between, progress is often maintained only by sporadic comments and discussions on Basecamp.

The CIVL bureau could continue work on CIVL strategy on its own, but would like to create an expanded working group to take advantage of the skills and expertise of some of the members of the community.

The Bureau therefore intends to create such a working group and will allocate some funds (evaluated at €3k) for members of the WG to possibly get together for an in-person meeting during the year.

The first step of the working group will be to create its charter and expected deliverables, and present this to the CIVL Bureau. Once the WG plan is approved by the Bureau, the working group will work virtually to progress and present periodic status to the CIVL Bureau.

No vote needed.

39.3. Class 5 Eligibility Clarification

Currently:

Section 7a

2.1.3 In the 36 months before the ranking reference date, which is 3 calendar months before the championship starts, a pilot has to have:

Been ranked with at least 20 WPRS points in Hang Gliding Class 1.

Participated in one or more FAI sanctioned competitions with at least 30 pilots.

To be replaced by:

In the 36 months before the ranking reference date, which is 3 calendar months before the championship starts, a pilot has to have:

Been ranked with at least 20 WPRS points in Hang Gliding Class 1.

Participated in one or more FAI sanctioned competitions with at least 30 pilots in **any class or combination of classes.**

No vote needed.

39.4. Aerobatic Judges Seminar

Claudio Cattaneo underlines that the next judges' seminar in Guatemala may be restricted by the country's requirement to only allow people with full vaccination to enter the country. This is a problem for international travellers.

39.5. PG XC Scoring

Goran Dimikovski reminds that the CIVL is looking at other XC scoring system. The one developed by Daniel Dimov and Yassen Savov will be tested, with the CIVL financial support during a 21–27 August, 2022 event. There will be another event, not sponsored by CIVL, during 4–10 July.

39.6. CIVL President closing remarks

Stephane Malbos thanked all for their attendance and support. He asked for feedback on whether the Zoom facility of holding the Plenary was acceptable.

The Strategy Working Group and maybe a specific Working Group dedicated to PG XC Cat 1 will be formed ASAP.

We fail when we don't work enough. We also fail when aggressivity replaces respect. So let's have respect to each other.