AGENDA

09:30 Saturday 27 October 2018
Marriott Zamalek Hotel
Cairo, Egypt
WORLD SQUASH FEDERATION LIMITED

48th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

SATURDAY 27 OCTOBER 2018

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PRESIDENT’S WELCOME

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. ATTENDANCE & PROCEDURES
   a) Members represented and number of votes
   b) Observers present
   c) Others present:
      i. By right
      ii. By invitation
   d) Voting Procedures
   e) Appointment of Scrutineers

3. APPLICATIONS FOR FULL MEMBERSHIP
   Received from Uganda

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
   Held on 3 December 2017, Marseille, France.  

5. REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2017-2018

6. MOTIONS TO AMEND THE RULES OF SQUASH
   Motions: Executive Board at the request of the Rules Commission
   a) Time period allowed for the warm up as per Rule 4
      The Warm Up to be changed in 4.1 to 4 minutes with half time to be called at 2 minutes.
   b) Amend the heading of Rule 8.11 to read:
      "Freedom to strike the ball to any part of the front wall" and so leaving out the word
      "entire''. And also removing such word from clause 8.1.4 which would then read "the
      freedom to strike the ball to any part of the front wall".
   c) The inclusion of a new sub-clause to Rule 8.9 Racket Swing as follows:
      "8.9.3 Where there has been no actual contact and the swing has been held by the striker
      for fear of hitting the opponent, the provisions of 8.6 apply."
Explanation/Rationale
The amendment to Rule 4 to shorten the maximum warm up period from five minutes to four minutes recognises the fact that for general play (which is primarily without a referee), the maximum period of five minutes is rarely reached (and can be used if desired as time is not monitored).

The PSA Tour has already moved to a four minute warm up period.

Proposed alterations 2 and 3 are technical changes recommended by the Rules specialists to support understanding and interpretation.

If the motion is successful the date of introduction of these changes will be 1 January 2019.

7. MOTIONS TO AMEND THE ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION OF WSF LIMITED

a) Preamble
Motion: Executive Board

Add the following text to the end of the section:

“The WSF is committed to ‘safe sport’ and will develop, implement and monitor policies to promote an environment where squash volunteers, employees, participants, spectators and elite athletes are respected, and are safe from abuse, exploitation, harassment, harm, intimidation, neglect and violence - regardless of age, ability or disability, race, religion or belief, sex or sexual orientation or socio-economic background.”

Explanation/Rationale
Anchoring this in the WSF Articles reinforces the importance of the WSF’s safeguarding policy.

8. MOTIONS GENERAL
None received.

9. MOTIONS TO AMEND THE WORLD SQUASH ANTI-DOPING RULES

a) To formally adopt the updated World Squash Anti-Doping Rules as set out in Annexure C with effect from 1 January 2019.
Motion: Executive Board at the request of the Anti-Doping Commission

Explanation/Rationale
This motion is based on the World Anti-Doping Agency’s request that all International Federations update their Anti-Doping Rules in accordance with the revised World Anti-Doping Code that came into effect on 1 April 2018. Ensuring International and National Federations are aware of WADA’s new compliance requirements and the consequences of non-compliance.

WADA has reviewed and approved the proposed amendments to the World Squash Anti-Doping Rules and it was WADA’s Compliance Manager that suggested that Member Nation be changed to National Federation throughout the document to bring it in to line with the IOC terminology.

10. MOTIONS TO AMEND REGULATIONS GOVERNING WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

a) Amend WSF Championship Regulation K4 (eligibility) as follows:
Motion: Executive Board

Current wording:

K4 Notwithstanding the above, a player is ineligible to represent a country if he has represented another country in the three years preceding the Start Date in a
recognised International Squash Team or Individual Championship (i.e. WSF World Championship, Regional Team or Individual Championship, official Match between MNFs in any age group).

Additional proposed clause:

A player who is under 17 years of age on the final day of an event may subsequently exercise a different qualification reducing the gap of three years to one year in the requirements of K2 and K4.

A player may only make one change using the reduced time period, and thereafter would be required to conform to the three year period in respect of exercising an eligibility.

In all cases of eligibility based upon residence, it is not permitted to do so based upon residence in respect of education when studying in another country, even if there is an intention to remain in the county afterwards i.e. the time period shall commence after the final day of the study period.

**Explanation/Rationale**
The WSF Executive Board in conjunction with the Executive Committee propose reducing the gap when changing representation for Under-17 year olds who meet the other criteria. This minimises the possibility of a very small number of players who wish to change their eligibility in accordance with the general provisions without a long gap during their formative representative year.

11. **WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS**

   **a)** To update Members on progress made in assigning World Championships in the last year and receive expressions of interest to host future events:

**As of 1 September 2018**

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**Note:** Tenders are required by 31 December two years ahead of the Championship e.g. for events in 2021: tenders must be submitted by 31 December 2018.

(A) Played before the Junior Team Championship held concurrently with it.

(B) Tender closes 31 December 2018.

12. **GENERAL BUSINESS**

   **a)** To receive the Forward Plan of the WSF for 2018/2019.  

   *Annexure D*
b) To receive reports from WSF Regional Presidents:
   i. Africa: Annexure E
   ii. Asia: Annexure F
   iii. Europe: Annexure G
   iv. Oceania: Annexure H
   v. Pan-America: Annexure I: Not Submitted

13. **WSF FINANCE**

   a) **Motion for continued support of World Squash Federation Limited.**
   National Federations and Member Organisations agree to continue to provide sufficient financial support to enable the organisation to continue to meet its debts as they fall due for a period not less than 12 months from 27 October 2018.
   Motion: Executive Board at the request of the Auditors Wilkins Kennedy

   **Explanation/Rationale**
   At the 2017 AGM, the Chair of the Governance & Audit Commission explained the Annual Accounts. He pointed out that the WSF had negative shareholders’ funds – which means they owe more money than they have – of £35,328. However, there was a positive Working Capital of £3,050, which meant there was no immediate cash-flow issue. This cash was and is being provided primarily by the Member Nations paying their Annual Subscriptions in the December/January period, which is the middle of the accounting year. Thereby they are ‘lending’ the Federation half a year’s membership each year. Similarly, the Member Nations prepay tournament Registration fees by up to two years in advance, thereby ‘lending’ the Federation the money.

   This year the position is not as good. The negative shareholders’ funds have increased because of this year’s loss to £45,238, and the Working Capital is now a negative £10,528.

   The Auditors have concluded, that for the company to continue to operate, the National Federations will need to continue paying their annual memberships at the start of the calendar year, and their tournament registration fees when their tender is accepted. They have asked for this motion to be included in the AGM agenda, for the Member Nations confirm that they will continue to support the WSF in this manner.

   b) Adoption of the audited accounts for the financial year 2017/2018: Annexure J

   c) To authorise the Officers to appoint and fix the remuneration of the auditors.

   d) To receive the Budget for the financial year 2018/2019: Annexure K

   e) **MOTION – WSF EXECUTIVE BOARD**
   *That the Membership Fees of the WSF, for the calendar year 2019, shall be unchanged at:*

   - Full Member - 6 votes (1501 courts and over): £7,000
   - Full Member - 5 votes (1001 - 1500 courts): £5,115
   - Full Member - 4 votes (751 - 1000 courts): £4,175
   - Full Member - 3 votes (501 - 750 courts): £2,295
   - Full Member - 2 votes (51 - 500 courts): £1,300
   - Full Member - 1 vote (1 - 50 courts): £415
   - Associate Member: £35
   - Affiliate Member: £560

14. **ELECTION OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF WSF LIMITED**

   Nominations for the two available positions of Vice-President of the WSF have been correctly submitted under Articles 20 - 36 as follows:
a) **VICE-PRESIDENTS** (in alphabetical order)

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15. **ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS**

(Subject to Clause 145 of WSF Articles of Association – "At all General Meetings only the business notified in the agenda shall be transacted. Amendments must be kept within the terms of the motion and the Chairman of the Meeting shall have the power to refuse any amendment which substantially alters the intention of the motion."

16. **FUTURE MEETINGS**