



Federation of European Irish Wolfhound Clubs

15th of July 2004

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD (MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE) 30th of April 2004 12 a.m. at the Campanile Hotel in Amersfoort

The President and all elected members were present.

The Chairman, John Briggs, welcomed the members of the board. He recalled that it is ten years now since the foundation of the EIWC.

He also explained that he had decided to withdraw from the Committee after this meeting.

1. Financial status

The treasurer, Karel Willems, told the board his intention to resign. Therefore, with the Chairman's consent, he had closed the bank account of the EIWC in Mol and brought the money (7215 Euros) at the disposal of the Board.

2. EIWC Website

The Board paid tribute to Annick de Smedt, our webmaster, for the outstanding work she has performed for the Federation since 2003. Thanks to Mr Willems the EIWC website is hosted by his personal webspace, and it is time now to find a new independent webspace.

3. Membership fees

As the financial situation of the Federation is sound, no increase in the membership fee is necessary for the time being.

Fees should be paid before March 31 of the current year.

The Chairman regretted the absence of Sweden and Finland and wondered whether these clubs could be exonerated from the overdue payment of the last years if they decided to join again. The committee agreed that both clubs should be recontacted to this effect.

4. Application for membership

The Board examined the documents sent by Slovakia, and accordingly accepted their application for membership.



5. EIWC Congress 2006

For the Congress organised by France, the national delegate proposed the place of “Le Touquet”, a seaside resort at the North Coast, some 70 km from the Belgian boarder.

The person in charge of this event is Frédéric Maison, Vice-Chairman of R.A.L.I.E. He is already in contact with the municipality which is delighted to host our event and promises every facilities.

6. Topics for the 2006 Congress

Two topics are proposed :

- bone disorders in the IWH, in particular osteochondrosis (OC) and elbow dysplasia (ED), by an eminent French specialist, Professor Genevoix from Lyon
- the sighthounds in art and literature, by Jean-Louis Grünheid, a sighthound specialist, FCI judge, who is preparing a book on this subject.

The board agreed and particularly welcomed the second very attractive proposal.

7. EIWC Congress 2008

The Secretary said that the Slovenian delegate had recently reiterated the intention of the Slovenian Sighthound Club to organise the Congress and Show for 2008 in his country.

The Italian delegate said that in case Slovenia should be unable to carry his obligations, the Italian Sighthound Club would be prepared to organise it in Italy.

8. Changes to the Articles of Association

The Secretary told the assistance that no written proposal had been received. The Dutch delegate observed that two Belgian clubs are members of EIWC and therefore this country has two votes (according to Art. 9 para. 3 of our Articles of Association). He felt that Art. 9 should be revised in this respect and that the national clubs should come to an agreement in order that one delegate only should have the voting power. As said before, no written proposal having been received within the time limit, it was not possible to discuss the matter today.

9. Rules for running the Congress



The Secretary proposes that rules for running the Congress should be drafted to define the duties and rights of both, the Federation and the organising country, which in future should co-operate more closely together from the very beginning of the preparation of the Congress and Shows.
The Committee agreed with this proposal.

10. Elections of Board members

Following the resignations of John Briggs and Karel Willems the positions of chairman and treasurer were vacant.
The vice-chairman proposed that the Board should put up Pernille Monberg from Denmark as chairman and Marcello Poli from Italy as treasurer.
The Board agreed that these two proposals should be submitted to the Ruling council. If there were other nominees, the members of the Ruling Council would vote accordingly.

The President thanked the members of the Board for the good spirit shown in this meeting and expressed special thanks to John Briggs and Karel Willems for the work performed over the two last years.
The meeting ended at 1.30 p.m.

Denyse Maurer
Secretary