



Federation of European Irish Wolfhound Clubs

Rochegude, 10 October 2006

MINUTES OF THE RULING COUNCIL 2nd September 2006, 10 a.m. at the Mercure Grand Hotel, Le Touquet

Participants of all the countries members of the Federation were present.

1. President's Address:

"On behalf of the European Irish Wolfhound Club I would like to welcome you all to the 2005 Congress.

All 16 Member Clubs have sent delegates, as have the two Clubs with Observer status.

I would like to welcome the delegates and Club members from each country: Belgium (IWH Club and Sighthound Club), Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland – great to have you back ! – France, Germany, Ireland, Italy Latvia, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway, Russia, Slovakia, Slovenia and the clubs with the status of observers: England and Northern Ireland. And a very special welcome to any visitors present from non member countries. We are very pleased to have you with us.

On behalf of the Clubs in attendance here today, I would like to thank and congratulate the French Club for organising the Congress. Many of you will know just how much is involved such an undertaking.

Finally, I would like to pay tribute to our
Secretary, Denyse Maurer;
Chairman, Pernille Monberg;
Vice-Chairman, Monette Daubenfeld
Treasurer, Marcello Poli
who have done so much work over the past year.
Thank you."
Elizabeth C. Murphy, President EIWC

2. Minutes of the Meeting of the Ruling Council, Netherlands 2004

The Minutes were sent to all the delegates in mid-July 2004, and no objection or remarks had been received since.

3. Chairman's Report

Pernille Monberg reads her report, the text is attached to the present Minutes (Attachment 1).

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4. Treasurer's Report

Marcello Poli distributes copies of the accounts to each delegate (Attachment 2) and reads them to the assistance. The financial situation of the Federation being sound, he recommends the Council to adopt the financial report, which is done. The proposal of the Management Committee concerning expenditures paid back to organising countries (max. one third of the budget available which means 2500 € for 2008) is also agreed upon.

5. Changes regarding Membership

Recently, Finland decided to restore its membership with the Federation, an initiative hailed with applause by the assistance. The delegate, Minnie Vane-Tempest, Chairman of the Finnish club, stands up for presentation. However another club, the IWH Club of Switzerland sent its resignation for the end of 2005, accepted by the Management Committee. No particular reason was set forth in the letter.

6. Congress and Show 2008

In 2008, the Slovenian Club for Sighthounds will organise the event, and the delegate and President of the Organisation Committee, Davor Marijanovic made the following statement :

It is an honour to invite you to Slovenia for the EIWC Congress 2008 on behalf of the Slovenian Club for Sighthounds. We intend to organise the congress in the beautiful countryside of the Alpine Center Spik, near Kranjska Gora on the week-end of 23 – 25 May. The venue is easily accessible, whether you will be coming by car or by plane (international airport Ljubljana).

The Spik Hotel offers two and three-star hotel rooms, a large and technically well equipped conference hall and there are also a camping site for trailers and spacious exhibition grounds on its premises.

The program forecasts the Meetings and Congress on Friday 23 with an official dinner in the evening, and two shows the following days. The judges invited are Mrs Jean Malley and Mr Jim Behan, as well as the two best Slovenian sighthound specialists, Mrs Marija Kavcic and Mr. Stefan Sinko.

The Slovenian project is granted with applause.

(Text of full statement: Attachment 3)



7. Topics for the 2008 Congress

Davor Marijanovic confirms that the Slovenian Club for Sighthounds will make proposals for discussion very soon so that the Board may be in a position to decide upon.

8. Congress and Show 2010

In June, the Board received a letter from Leandro Leandri, President of the Club del Levriero, proposing that the Congress and Show 2010 be organised in Italy. The letter was read to the Council. The Italian delegate, Marcello Poli states that the only unknown parameter is an eventual change in the Board, elections being held early in 2009. As no other country stands up for organising the 2010 event, the Italian proposal is maintained for the time being.

9. IW WORLD Magazine

In addition to what has already been said by the Chairman in her report, it may be interesting to know that the editor, Carolyn Dean will be present at the Show. She brings with her copies of the two issues already available for thumbing through and for sale. Possibility to subscribe will also be given. Please support this beautiful magazine.

10. Presentation of a proposed database

Uli Habel, the initiator of the project presented himself as a breed enthusiast, and being a professional in software development he rapidly collected lots of information about the breed, pedigrees, etc. which represents the base for the project of the database presented today. In collaboration with Melitta and Jürgen Kuhless the database was enlarged by the possibility of integrating pictures as well as data about veterans.

A live-presentation of database research, directly via the server of the EIWC homepage, was then given to the assistance. The database may be consulted on the website (www.eiwc.org) in a very near future and the author is looking forward to present the progress made on the occasion of the next Congress.

The Council wants to thank Uli Habel and Melitta Kuhless, our new EIWC webmaster, for their outstanding work.

11. Election of Board Members

Board Members are elected for a 4-year period. So, the mandate of Monette Daubenfeld, Denyse Maurer, Marcello Poli, and Jo Hoffmann, who all were elected in 2002 (Belgium), comes to an end.



Jo Hoffmann resigned from the Board of IERDIE and Jon Jansen, Chairman, is now the delegate from the Netherlands. This means a seat becoming vacant. As a rule, the delegate of the country organising the following congress is appointed as delegate. The Board therefore recommends that Davor Marijanovic from Slovenia be elected as a member of the Board (proposal accepted with applause). Since nobody else stands up for election, the Vice-chairman, Monette Daubenfeld, the Secretary, Denyse Maurer and the Treasurer, Marcello Poli are reelected unanimously.

12. Closing words of the President

The President thanked everyone for a constructive meeting and is looking forward to see everybody again in Slovenia.

End of the meeting at 12.00

Composition of the Board elected for the next two years :

President:	Elizabeth C. Murphy
Chairman:	Pernille Monberg
Vice-Chairman:	Monette Daubenfeld
Secretary:	Denyse Maurer
Treasurer:	Marcello Poli
Member:	Julie Hübner
Member:	John Kelly
Member:	Davor Marijanovic

*Denyse Maurer
Secretary*