

# ITHF Delegate's Conference (May 2019) Minutes

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Minute keeper: Mykhaylo Shalomayev, ITHF Chief Financial Officer

**Members eligible to participate:** Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Norway, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden, Ukraine, USA

### **Votes**

### Vote 1

Accepting the Belarussian Table Hockey Federation as the member of ITHF

### Information

The Belarussian Table Hockey Federation submitted their application for membership in ITHF. Belarus completely fulfills the requirements of Article 6 of the Constitution of ITHF that allows it to become the member of ITHF.

#### Question

Should the Belarussian Table Hockey Federation be admitted as a member of ITHF?

### **Options**

YES

NO

Option	# of Votes	Voting Countries
YES	15	Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Norway, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden, Ukraine, USA
NO	0	

Result: The Belarussian Table Hockey Federation is accepted as a 20th member of the ITHF.

### Vote 2

Change to Game Rule 10.2

## Information

Recently game stops for medical reasons have become frequent. Therefore, it is suggested to specify the wording of Game Rule 10.2.

### Question

To supplement in Game Rule 10.2 the following text:

"If the players stops the game for a medical reason, then this is only a visible injury (cut finger, broken nail or blood). If a player cannot continue to play in 30 seconds without any visible injury, he loses the game with 0-5. If his opponent does not mind the pause, they continue to play when both players are ready from the same place the game was interrupted".

### **Options**

YES

NO

Option	# of Votes	Voting Countries
YES	11	Canada, Czech Republic, Estonia, Germany, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Slovenia, Ukraine, USA
NO	3	Finland, Norway, Sweden

**Result:** Proposed change is accepted and comes into force next day after publication of results of vote on ITHF website.

### Vote 3

Change to Tournament Rule 1.2 ii)

### Information

A large number of the ITHF WTHT tournaments reduces the number of days in which national tournaments can be held. If a national federation wants to schedule a national ranking tournament the same day as a WTHT Super Series, they are asked to send an application to ITHF with an explanation for this wish at least 60 days before the tournament. The ITHF will typically accept the request if the WTHT Super Series is organized more than 500 kilometers away. The ITHF reserves the right to downgrade a tournament if the tournament is organized without asking ITHF for permission to schedule it the same day.

### Question

Tournament Rule 1.2 ii) to be reworded as follows:

"1.2 ii) If a national federation wants to schedule a national ranking tournament the same day as a WTHT Super Series, they are asked to send an application to ITHF with an explanation for this wish at least 60 days before the tournament. The ITHF will typically accept the request if the WTHT Super Series is organized more than 500 kilometers away.\* The ITHF reserves the right to downgrade a tournament (to level 6) if the tournament is organized without asking ITHF for permission to schedule it the same day.

### **Options**

YES

NO

Option	# of Votes	Voting Countries
YES	13	Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Germany, Latvia, Norway, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden, Ukraine, USA
NO	1	Kazakhstan

**Result:** Proposed change is accepted and comes into force next day after publication of results of vote on ITHF website.

### Vote 4

Change to Tournament Rule 2.6

<sup>\*</sup> This tool can be used to see what is within 500 km of any venue: https://www.freemaptools.com/radius-around-point.htm (enter "500" in "Radius Distance", add the city's name in "Place radius by location name" and click "Draw Radius")"

### Information

For the purpose of development of the club movement, inadmissibility of short-lived teams which can play in a World Club Championship, it is suggested in Tournament Rule 2.6 to add the following text: "ITHF can decide to organize the World Club Championship (WCC).

- i) Players can only change clubs in two transfer windows, which is from 15th of December to 31st of January and from the Monday after the annual international championship in June (European or World Championships) to the 31st of August.
- ii) Players can only change club once every year.
- iii) When establishing a completely new club, only players from two clubs can change to this club in the same transfer window.
- iv) Players from a maximum of one club can change to the same club in the same transfer window."

### Question

Should this change be made to Tournament Rule 2.6?

### **Options**

YES

NO

Option	# of Votes	Voting Countries
YES	13	Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Slovenia, Ukraine, USA
NO	2	Norway, Sweden

**Result:** Proposed change is accepted and comes into force next day after publication of results of vote on ITHF website.

### Vote 5

Host of 2020 World Club Championship

# Information

Kursk (Russian Federation) submitted an application for holding the World Club Championship of 2020.

2020 will mark the 10th Kursk Cup. This tournament by right is considered one of the best tournaments in the history of modern table hockey. The table hockey weekend in Kursk can bring many positive impressions as it was four years ago when Kursk for the first time together in Kursk Cup held a World Club Championship.

# Question

Should Kursk (Russian Federation) host the 2020 World Club Championship?

### **Options**

YES

NO

Option	# of Votes	Voting Countries
YES	15	Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Norway, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden, Ukraine, USA
NO	0	

Result: The World Club Championship 2020 will be held in Kursk, Russian Federation.

### Vote 6

Host of 2021 World Championship

### Information

Estonia submitted the application for holding the World Championship of 2021. The European Championship of 2016 and Tallinn Cups of the last three years show that Estonia is very well ready for holding tournaments of the highest level. Including World Championship of 2021.

# Question

Should Estonia host the 2021 World Championship?

# **Options**

YES

NO

Option	# of Votes	Voting Countries
YES	15	Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Norway, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden, Ukraine, USA
NO	0	

**Result:** The World Championship 2021 will be held in Estonia.

### Vote 7

ITHF election

# Information

The following candidates are running for election to the ITHF's Executive Committee and Legal Committee for the next two seasons.

# 7a President

Bjarne Axelsen (DEN)

# **Options**

YES

NO

Option	# of Votes	Voting Countries
YES	15	Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Norway, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden, Ukraine, USA
NO	0	

**Result:** Bjarne Axelsen is elected President ITHF for a period of up to the end of the season 2020/2021.

# **7b Chief Financial Officer**

Mykhaylo Shalomayev (UKR)

### **Options**

YES

NO

Option	# of Votes	Voting Countries
YES	15	Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Norway, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden, Ukraine, USA
NO	0	

**Result:** Mykhaylo Shalomayev is elected ITHF Chief Financial Officer for a period of up to the end of the season 2020/2021.

# 7c Continental Manager for North America

Candidates: Sal Capizzi (CAN), Kevin Rafferty (USA)

# **Options**

Capizzi Rafferty against all

Option	# of Votes	Voting Countries
Capizzi	5	Canada, Estonia, Finland, Sweden, Ukraine
Rafferty	7	Germany, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Norway, Russian Federation, Slovakia, USA
against all	1	Czech Republic

**Result:** Kevin Rafferty is elected ITHF Continental Manager for North America for a period of up to the end of the season 2020/2021.

# **7d Members of Executive Committee**

### Information

Candidates:

Igor Saveljev (EST), Alexey Titov (RUS)

**7di** Should Igor Saveljev be a Member of the Executive Committee?

# **Options**

YES

NO

Option	# of Votes	Voting Countries
YES	14	Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, Germany, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Norway, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden, Ukraine, USA
NO	0	

**Result:** Igor Saveljev is elected Member of the Executive Committee ITHF for a period of up to the end of the season 2020/2021.

7dii Should Alexey Titov be a Member of the Executive Committee?

# **Options**

YES

NO

Option	# of Votes	Voting Countries
YES	14	Canada, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Norway, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden, Ukraine, USA
NO	1	Czech Republic

**Result:** Alexey Titov is elected Member of the Executive Committee ITHF for a period of up to the end of the season 2020/2021.

# **7e Members of Legal Committee**

### Information

Candidates:

Intars Žubeckis (LAT), Rolf Locher (SUI), Gergely Regula (HUN)

The approved candidate with the most Yes votes will become Chair, the next 2 will be Members.

**7ei** Should Intars Žubeckis be on the Legal Committee?

# **Options**

YES

NO

Option	# of Votes	Voting Countries
YES	14	Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Norway, Russian Federation, Slovenia, Sweden, Ukraine, USA
NO	1	Slovakia

**Result:** Intars Žubeckis is elected Member of the Legal Committee ITHF for a period of up to the end of the season 2020/2021.

**7eii** Should Rolf Locher be on the Legal Committee?

# **Options**

YES

NO

Option	# of Votes	Voting Countries
YES	14	Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Latvia, Norway, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden, Ukraine, USA
NO	1	Kazakhstan

**Result:** Rolf Locher is elected Member of the Legal Committee ITHF for a period of up to the end of the season 2020/2021.

7eiii Should Gergely Regula be on the Legal Committee?

# **Options**

YES

NO

Option	# of Votes	Voting Countries
YES	15	Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Norway, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden, Ukraine, USA
NO	0	

**Result:** Gergely Regula is elected Chair of the Legal Committee ITHF for a period of up to the end of the season 2020/2021.

### Vote 8

ITHF World Table Hockey Tour

### Information

For the purpose of promoting of table hockey, increase in prestige of the ITHF World Table Hockey Tour (ITHF WTHT) and increase in number of players on tournaments of the ITHF WTHT it is suggested to make changes to Tournament Rule 2.4 iii), having increase the number of tournaments which will be counted on account of the ITHF WTHT.

If at the end of a season the World Championship or the European Championship is not held, then ITHF holds **ITHF Masters** in which 50 best players following the results of the ITHF WTHT of that season can take part. This tournament receives the second level in the World Ranking ITHF.

### 8a Question

Now the best three results for each player from all ITHF WTHT tournaments are counted. Whether it is necessary to increase amount of such results?

### **Options**

YĖS

NO

Option	# of Votes	Voting Countries
YES	8	Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Slovenia, USA
NO	7	Finland, Germany, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Norway, Sweden, Ukraine

**Result:** Proposed change is accepted and comes into force next day after publication of results of vote on ITHF website.

### **8b Question**

If it is necessary to increase amount of results for each player from all ITHF WTHT tournaments which have to be counted, then Tournament Rule 2.4 iii) has to be reworded as follows:

### **Options**

"2.4 iii) The best four results for each player from all ITHF WTHT tournaments are counted."

"2.4 iii) The best five results for each player from all ITHF WTHT tournaments are counted."

Option	# of Votes	Voting Countries
four	2	Russian Federation, Slovenia
five	6	Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Slovakia, USA

**Result:** Proposed change is accepted and comes into force next day after publication of results of vote on ITHF website.

### **8c Question**

Tournament Rule 2.4 to supplement with the following paragraph:

"vi) If at the end of a season the World Championship or the European Championship is not held, then ITHF holds ITHF Masters in which 50 best players following the results of the ITHF WTHT of this season can take part. This tournament receives the second level in the World Ranking ITHF."

### **Options**

YES

NO

Option	# of Votes	Voting Countries
YES	13	Canada, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Norway, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden, USA
NO	2	Czech Republic, Ukraine

**Result:** Proposed change is accepted and comes into force next day after publication of results of vote on ITHF website.

### Vote 9

Host of 2020 European Championship

### Information

Umeå (Sweden), Kazan (Russian Federation) and Kranj (Slovenia) submitted the application for holding the European Championship 2020.

## Question

The following candidates are running to host the European Championship 2020. A federation is allowed to make a maximum of two choices. If a federation is making more than two choices, then the voting from this federation is considered illegal and will not be counted. The candidate with the most votes will be chosen the winner.

# **Options**

Umeå (Sweden) Kazan (Russian Federation) Kranj (Slovenia) against all

Option	# of Votes	Voting Countries
Umeå	5	Czech Republic, Denmark, Norway, Sweden, Ukraine
Kazan	4	Canada, Estonia, Kazakhstan, Russian Federation
Kranj	13	Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Latvia, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden, Ukraine, USA
against all	0	

Result: The European Championship 2020 will be held in Kranj, Slovenia.