

# European Naginata Federation ENF General Assembly Brussels - 31st October 2016 Minutes

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## Subject

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#### Revision

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# **ENF General Assembly**

## **Informations**

The General assembly takes place at the ULB of Bruxelles.

ENF General Assembly starts at 5:30PM, ends at 22:45 pm of 31st October 2015

# **Participants**

| Who                                | Role                        | Present | Vote |  |  |  |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------|------|--|--|--|
| ENF                                |                             |         |      |  |  |  |
| President of the ENF               | David D'hose                | Yes     |      |  |  |  |
| Vice president of the ENF          | Kirsi Hoglund               | Yes     |      |  |  |  |
| Vice president of the ENF          | Jan Hrbac                   | Yes     |      |  |  |  |
| General Secretary of ENF           | Olivier Dupré               | Yes     |      |  |  |  |
| Treasurer of the ENF               | Tyl Dermine                 | Yes     |      |  |  |  |
| Technical Director of the ENF      | Mark Berghaan               | Yes     |      |  |  |  |
| Belgium - BNF                      |                             |         |      |  |  |  |
| President of federation            | François Dermine            | Yes     | Yes  |  |  |  |
| Britain - BNA                      |                             |         |      |  |  |  |
| General Secretary                  | Claire Leftwitch Winchester | Yes     | Yes  |  |  |  |
| Czech Republic - Gorenkai          |                             |         |      |  |  |  |
| Responsible                        | Stybor Michal               | Yes     | Yes  |  |  |  |
| Finland- FKA                       |                             |         |      |  |  |  |
| Responsible                        | Maari Paasonen              | No      | No   |  |  |  |
| France - CNK                       |                             |         |      |  |  |  |
| Responsible of Naginata Commission | Dominique Pouchard          | Yes     | Yes  |  |  |  |
| Germany - DnagB                    |                             |         |      |  |  |  |



| Responsible                  | Andreas Nicol            | Yes | Yes |  |  |  |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|-----|-----|--|--|--|
| Italy - CIK                  |                          |     |     |  |  |  |
| Responsible - representative | Moroncelli Daniela       | Yes | Yes |  |  |  |
| Netherlands - NNR            |                          |     |     |  |  |  |
| Responsible                  | Mark Berghaan            | Yes | Yes |  |  |  |
| Ukraine - UKF                |                          |     |     |  |  |  |
| Responsible                  | Konstyantyn Stryzhchenko | No  |     |  |  |  |
| Sweden -SBK                  |                          |     |     |  |  |  |
| Responsible                  | Kirsi Hoglund            | Yes |     |  |  |  |
|                              | Rubensson Isak           | Yes | Yes |  |  |  |
| Portugal -APNagi             |                          |     |     |  |  |  |
| Responsible                  | Edouardo Brito           | Yes | Yes |  |  |  |
| Izraël - ISRNF               |                          |     |     |  |  |  |
| Responsible                  | Gür Nedzvesky            | Yes | Yes |  |  |  |
| Other                        |                          |     |     |  |  |  |
| candidate as ENF Treasurer   | Sabrina Semiao           | Yes |     |  |  |  |
| Russia                       | Daria Litunenko          | Yes |     |  |  |  |

## **Quorum validation**

12 countries compose the ENF.

10 countries are represented.

So the majority is fixed to 5 or more.

#### Validation of the last Minute

- No Validation of the last minute needed

## Vote to proceed with the current agenda

The President David D'hose asked if everybody agreed with the agenda. The agenda has been slightly changed as we push the vote of the board to the end of the Assembly.



#### Treasurer financial revue

See attachment ENF Bank statements.pdf

2014 Budget validation:

Yes: 7

No: 0

Abstention: 3

Budget 2014 is validated.

2015 Budget validation

Yes: 7

No: 0

Abstention: 3

Budget 2015 is validated.

## Technical Director word

ENF has only 2 tools: The ENC and the ENF Seminar.

TD would like the ENF to be more professional and that the Europe Etiquette look more like the Japanese etiquette. TD reminds theaudience that he has no influence on local dojo.

About Exams, TD wants to create a blueprint to help jury and practitioners to be less stressed and to help them know what to do or what to judge. TD said that it's not on ENF seminar that you prepare yourself to an exam but in the dojo. If practitioners are not ready for the exam before the seminar they will not be ready during the seminar.

#### President word

- Improved communication: New Website and newsletter
- Organisation of this 10th ENC and 25th anniversary is a great success as we succeeded in regrouping all the members.
- ENF will try to find a way to help members more efficiently in their development.
- Improve internal procedures for grading and relations between members and INF and AJNF.

About Communication. Germany asks to the General Secretary to send Email to the members when there is an update on the website.



## Russia presentation

- St Petersburg group started in 2013 under the initiative of Mrs Daria Litunenko
- Training is based on Bennett's book and with the help of S. Pawlitke from GER
- 2014 -15-16 Sumi Seminar
- one new group in Siberia
- Today Daria is 1st kyu
- INF Seminar 2014 in Amstelveen, Netherland;
- Seminar after ENC 2014 in Stevenage, UK;
- CNK Seminar 2015 in Bordeaux, France;
- BNA Seminar 2015 in Welwyn Garden City, UK;
- GNYNF Seminar and Tournament 2016 in New York, USA;
- FKA Seminar 2016 in Helsinki, Finland.

Daria Litunenko explains how difficult it is to create a federation in Russia and that for now it is impossible to be a part of the Kendo Federation. Right Now, Russia could be a member of the ENF, but Russia practitioner of Naginata are welcome at ENF seminar.

See attachment Russian naginata group.pdf

#### INF Boards of Directors revue

See attachment.

#### Year event revue - communication

- ENF European Seminar with Sunagawa sensei
- INF seminar Dunedin
- NNR Seminar Japanese sensei National training
- NNR- Championship?
- GORENKAI 2 National Seminar Winter and Spring
- GORENKAI -Championship?
- BNA- Seminar- Sumi sensei -
- BNA-Championship?
- CNK National Seminar Sumi Seminar in Paris and Bordeaux
- CNK Tokunaga cup- National championship
- BNF- National seminar
- BNF -Championship?
- SBK- Championship?
- FKA- Sumi Seminar
- FKA- Championship?
- CIK- Sumi Seminar
- CIK- Championship?
- DNagB- DNagB- 2 seminars
- DNagB- Benkei cup German Championship
- ISRNF Seminar and championship with David D'hose



- UKF-?
- APNAGi-?

#### Good point:

- Most countries organize open events and internal events.
- ENF senseis could travel inside ENF to help members.

#### Bad points:

• ENF rules aren't followed (General Secretary couldn't follow)

Please send your Seminar and tournament organisation to the ENF General Secretary

The Website will be changed in the coming weeks to help the members to be aware of the news

One of the main roles of the ENF is to help members share information, so please whenever you organize something, share it.

The ENF Technical committee is here to help, but also to submit rules that must be followed.

#### Future event communication

All event will be announced on the ENF website.

See Attachment.

### Next ENF seminar 2017, next ENC 2018

ENF seminar 2017: Netherlands

ENC 2018: France will try to host the ENC in Bordeaux. Confirmation will be sent around January 2017.

## General secretary suggestion

No suggestion

#### Vote for the new board

#### **President Election**

David d'hose: Yes 10 No 0

David d'hose is elected.

## Treasurer election

Sabrina Semiao Yes 9 No 1



Sabrina Semiao is elected

#### **Technical Director**

Mark Berghaan Yes 10 No 0

Mark Berghaan is elected

#### Vice President

Mark Berghaan Yes 10 No 0

#### Vote for auditor

Kirsi Hoglund Yes 10 No 0

#### Vote for arbitrators

Andreas Nicol Yes 10 No 0

Eduardo Brito Yes 10 No 0

Claire Leftwitch Winchester Yes 10 No 0

## Questions and answers

When do you expect the financial report to be completed?

Concerning the three items we wrote on June 15, we report reception of the ENC registration documents by the Technical Director and we hope that this means we are included in the full ENF information flow again.

Accordingly we want to bring the other two open items again to everybody's attention since we didn't receive any reply to these either

(quoted from June 15 email):

- "2. Further, we want to know why we were excluded repeatedly and no action was taken, even after reporting the fact multiple times.
- 3. Finally, we expect a complete check of all ENF emails sent to the affiliates since the GA in November 2015 and a forwarding of all messages which were not sent to us."

As I mentioned before, I would like to clarify the situation of all these things in front of our members at our (German) General Assembly on July 2nd. Your cooperation would be highly appreciated.

Regards,



#### **Andreas**

- 2. GS use contact list from the precedent GS. Email contact for germany wasn't on it. GS recreate a contact list and a contact form to be update and send it to every ENF member. At this day, germany don't even answer to this form.
  - 3. GS will be more aware and reactif to answer to ENF member.

Dear ENF President and Treasurer, (David, Tyl)

Here are TWO questions, sent ahead for the ENF GENERAL ASSEMBLY (GA) 2016 to be held in Bruxelles on Monday 31st October 2016.

- 1. Answers in email, in a reply are \*NOT\* required and an email in writing is \*not\* being asked for.
- 2. Questions have been put forward for answering only, in person during the AGM discussion covering financial matters to be held in Bruxelles on 31st October, 2016 with ENF member states representatives present.
- 3. Questions here cover only financial issues: no other issues or subjects are covered. I am writing as the BNA Treasurer.
- 4. Claire LEFTWICH-WINCHESTER the BNA's Secretary will represent and attend the AGM meeting as the BNA's representative, and will cover any other subjects that are not financially related.
- 5. Email histories with DATES of the emails sent out, are left below my emailL there's x2 emails from the President; and one email also from the President, covering INF Minutes from June 2016.

#### **QUESTION 1**

- a) Relating the below INF Minute, and confirming recent information over the AJNF and INF attendance from Japan: can the ENF Treasurer please be clear about what expenses, flight and hosting, is being paid and for who re: Japanese visitors out of the ENF bank account?
  - b) What and who, is the INF paying for? according to Mrs Tamaki's Minutes.
  - c) Who is the ENF paying for ? for the ENF/ENC 2016 that BNF is hosting.

DETAIL

1st September email sent out by the ENF President - with the INF minutes from Mrs Tamaki covering

Date: 2016 June 18th 2016, held at Dunedin, New Zealand

**OPEN QUOTE** 

- 2016 Budget

2016 budget is based on 2015 financial activities.

We have this year more expenditure than income due to activities in Taiwan and Belgium: instructors were sent to Taiwan to host a 2-day seminar. Also, officers will be sent to Belgium this autumn to assist ENF holding its 25th anniversary event.



**END QUOTE** 

**QUESTION 2 - TRANSPARENCY** 

- d) Related to Question 1: the ENF Treasurer states, there is over 10,000+ EUROS in the ENF bank account. This is a lot of money.
- e) While the BNA does \*not\* protest to funds being used to deliver a more vibrant 25th Year celebration what is the ENF paying for out of the 10,000+ Euros it has in the bank, for the ENF if it exceeds paying for the Narita sensei? and Kimura sensei, during only the official ENC and ENF event.

BNA hopes that the Tendoryu is \*not\* being funded by ENF funds, given it is not Atarashii Naginata related. If the BNF is hosting Tendoryu, it should be clear (did I miss this somewhere written in an email?)

We'd like the ENF Treasurer to outline exactly how the 10,000+ Euros has subsidized or not, the ENC 2016 and the Japanese teachers and/or hosting. Transparency between BNF and ENF funding would be appreciated, for the ENC/ENF event.

We are \*not\* implying the BNF runs at a loss for the ENC, but we would like transparency what ENF funds are helping the ENC/ENF event of 2016 - if they are indeed helping aside from the list of what ENF 'normally covers' sent to us when BNA hosted ENC 2014. We have no objection to ENF funds being used for the benefit of ENF members.

But we would have objections to ENF funds being used to ensure Belgian Federation doesn't host the ENC/ENF 2016 event, at a loss.

**END OF TWO QUESTIONS** 

End of the meeting 22:45

