MINUTES OF THE FIM AFRICA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HELD ON THE 2nd NOVEMBER 2019 FROM 09H00 TO 12H30, AT THE JACARANDA HOTEL, NAIROBI, KENYA

PRESENT:

- SAMSON ATEKA KMSF
- MEHDI BACH-HAMBA TUNISIA
- RENE BENZIGE KMSF
- RENZO BERNARDI KENYA
- ANDREAS BRENDEN NAMIBIA
- KENNEDY CHEGE EAST AFRICA MOTOR SPORTS CLUB
- MCPHERSON CHIBANA BOTSWANA
- HELEN CHIPOMA ZAMBIA
- MARCO COMANA COUNCIL
- BOB DEWAR CONCOUR D’ ELEGANCE
- GILLIAN DYKES COUNCIL
- JEAN GABRIEL HARISON MADAGASCAR
- NIKKI HEYGATE ZAMBIA
- CARMEN HILL SOUTH AFRICA
- DR. DAVID KARURI SUPERBIKES ASSOCIATION TSA
- SHERYL KIBAKI KMSF
- NITA KORHONEN FIM FMN/CONU Liaison Director
- NICK KORIR KENYA (LEISURE MOTORCYCLE)
- ABDALLAH LARAICHI COUNCIL
- RIDA SBAI LARBI COUNCIL
- JUDY LUYO KENYA
- TUMISANG MODIBEDI BOTSWANA
- JACQUELINE MONTEIRO COUNCIL
- ALLAN MUIGAI KENYA- ROAD WARRIOR BIKERS
- MAINA MUTURI KENYA
- JOSEPH MWANGALA UGANDA
- LEE NYACHAE KMSF
- TONY ROWLEY COUNCIL
- ANWAR SIDI KMSF
- BRIAN TOWNSEND ZIMBABWE
- JULIE WAHOME FIM AFRICA WIM CHAIRMAN
- PETER WANDAY CONCOUR D’ ELEGANCE
- PAUL WARIITHI EAST AFRICA MOTOR SPORTS CLUB
- YUKI YVATTANSI KENYA

WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

The President opened the GA and welcomed all delegates and guests present. He thanked the Council for their support and thanked the SG for all the hard work during the year. The President extended a special welcome to Ms. Nita Korhonen from the FIM and explained that Nita was the FMN/CONU LIAISON Director and Events Director and she is the contact at the FIM for any FMN matters.
The President thanked the Chairman of KMSF Mr. Renzo Bernardi and his KMSF team for hosting the GA and extended a special word of thanks to Judy Luyo from KMSF for her assistance to the SG with all the preparations for the GA.

The President stated that Kenya has always played an Integral part in the FIM AFRICA family, so it is very heartwarming, that we have finally visited this beautiful country.

The Chairman of KMSF (Renzo Bernardi) extended a welcome to all the delegates, he went on to state that he hoped it would be a successful GA and that everyone would enjoy the tour of Nairobi and the dinner that had been planned.

1. **COMPOSITION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY**
   1.1 **FMNS PRESENT AND ELIGIBLE TO VOTE**
   FMN’s Present and eligible to vote: Nine present and nine eligible to vote **NOTED**.

   1.2 **CONFIRMATION OF VOTING DELEGATES OF FMNs**
   The voting delegates present were **NOTED**.

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF 2018 GENERAL ASSEMBLY HELD IN ANDORRA ON THE 3/12/2018**
   (Distributed prior to the meeting) – Proposed Namibia & Seconded Kenya - **APPROVED**

3. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS GENERAL ASSEMBLY**
   No matters tabled **NOTED**.

4. **FINANCIAL REPORT**
   4.1 **Noting of audited financials for 2018 (Distributed earlier in the year and posted on website)**
   The SG explained the reason there were two sets of AFS i.e. one prior to the registration of the NPC and one set after the registration of the NPC **NOTED**.

   4.2 **Noting of Interim financials as at 31 September 2019 (distributed prior to GA)**
   **NOTED**.

   4.3 **Approval of 2020 Provisional Budget (distributed prior to GA)**
   **AGREED** to be distributed once finalised.

   4.4 **Approval of External Auditors for 2019 Audit**
   **AGREED** that the current auditors GZ & CO would be retained for the 2019 audit, Proposed by Zambia and seconded by Kenya.

5. **COUNCIL REPORTS FOR NOTING**
   5.1 President’s Report - **NOTED**
   5.2 Vice President’s report - **NOTED**
   5.3 Director Sporting report **NOTED**
   Following the report, Mrs. Kibaki enquired whether an MX GP Academy could be held in East Africa as well. The President explained that the dates were already set as they had a very busy calendar, but that they could apply to the FIM. The VP Sporting suggested trying to get as many riders and training to attend, the accent is on 65 and 85 and training the trainer as well as parents.
5.4  **Director Non Sporting – NOTED**  
Unfortunately, the women aspect of the sport is not growing and he would like all the FMN to focus on the Women and promote them. He stated that he would like to see one event exclusively reserved for women. He also stated that we need to focus on the officials and training of officials.

With regard to Medical, we need to focus on the paramedics if we have more paramedics it will assist with the first medical assistance.

Mr. Laraichi mentioned that with regard to touring, he is looking at a big event in Kenitra in Morocco, which will be open to everyone and if anyone was interested, they could liaise with him.

There will be a big permanent training camp in Kenitra in conjunction with the French Federation, which would be opened all year round, and anyone that is interested to send riders could contact him as well. It must be noted that all training would however only be in French.

5.5  **Directors Reports (GD & JM Distributed prior to the meeting) and is available on the FIM AFRICA Website.**

Mrs. Dykes informed the meeting that the SG and herself had combined their report and briefly went through the report. She also raised the importance of recognizing the volunteers in the sport and advised the GA that the Volunteer spotlight had been launched but there had not been a good response by the FMN’s. The SG stated that communication was important and unfortunately, the FMN’s were apathetic when it came to communication on the CONU.

The GA were informed that Council had discussed the volunteer programme, and had agreed that the following Volunteers would be awarded the electronic Volunteer certificates.

Yasmin Manual - Mxoan  
Owen Robinson – Mxoan  
Claude Brendel – X Race  
Clare Brendel – X Race  
Ingo Waldschmidt – Xrace

The SG presented a video on the 2019 events and riders related to the African Continent, this document is also available on the FIM AFRICA Website.

*Ms. Korhonen gave a brief presentation on her role in the FIM and explained that Anne-Laure and herself are available to assist the FMN’s, she also explained the training aspect that was available and requested the FMN’s to send any ideas to them.*
6. **ANY OTHER MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA FOR DISCUSSION**

6.1 The President explained that it was getting difficult for FMN to affiliate to the FIM, especially the smaller countries. This made it difficult to grow the number of FMN’s affiliated on the CONU or attending the Continental Championships. He went on to state that this matter was discussed in-depth at the Council Meeting held the previous day and the following is Council’s proposal to try to assist with this matter.

- Allow FMN who are not affiliated to the FIM to participate in the Continental Championship events.
- They would have the benefit of an affiliated country and they can score towards the country championships but cannot obtain any funding from the CONU for travel or participation assistance.
- They could be declared the Winning Country, should they win in a year.
- They cannot attend any Commission Meetings or host any Continental Championships.
- This dispensation would only be in place for three (3) years, after which they have to affiliate to the FIM, failing which they can no longer participate in the Continental Championship.
- They will pay an annual Participation fee to the Secretariat (Amount to be determined).
- The FMN geographically closest to the non-affiliated FMN will purchase their FIM licences on receipt of payment.
- Current FMN’s defaulting or who have not renewed their affiliation for 2020 will not be part of the project; this project is only applicable to new FMN’s.

**UNANIMOUSLY ACCEPTED.**

6.2 **Hosting of 2020 General Assembly**

The SG mentioned that Zimbabwe, Madagascar and Botswana had not hosted a GA, but that Madagascar indicated that they are interested in hosting the 2020 GA. The GA **APPROVED** Madagascar hosting the 2020 GA.

The Malagasy SG thanked the delegates for agreeing to Madagascar hosting the 2020 GA and stated that he would liaise with his government on his return. He went on to state that it would be a good opportunity to also launch the Road Safety Programme for the road bikes. He closed by stating that it would be an honor for Madagascar to host the GA.

Botswana stated that they would like to host the 2021 GA and Zambia requested to host the 2022 GA. The President stated that these FMNS must send a formal request to the SG **NOTED**. The President further confirmed that the SG would send the hosting guidelines to the FMN’s to prepare.

6.3 **General Remarks by Delegates**

- Mrs. Heygate (Zambia) stated that she had a general concern relating to disabled access, this was a problem, as the tracks are not catering cater for the disabled **NOTED WITH CONCERN**.

The SG stated that this should form part of the Sporting regulations. The VP Sporting must ensure that it is reflected and that for any further events on the CONU it is a pre-requisite and needs to form part of the inspection.
The President mentioned that a Tender document was being prepared and it would be circulated to the FMN’s for input.

Mrs. Heygiate mentioned the payment of officials, specifically relating to the payment of 50% if they travel by car. The SG stated that as far as she was aware this was applicable to delegates attending meetings but would investigate.

- Dr. David Karuri stated that his concern is that, there is no, or limited training for the Medical Doctors or staff working at motorcycle events. Training of medics is critical to the development of the sport. He stated that there had been incidents happening before, as well as after events and emphasis should be on the training.

The SG stated that each FMN should have their own training relating to matters, and explained that every FMN should have a Medical Commission and the medical issues raised should be discussed within their Commissions. Following a brief discussion on medical training, she stated that the training would encompass, how to handle a patient at a motorcycle event, she further reminded the delegates that a Medical doctor from another country could not attend to a patient, so it is important that every FMN have the correct training for motorsport.

The SG stated that the secretariat would be liaising with the FMN’s to enquire with regard to their structures e.g. Commissions etc. It was important that the FMN’s are empowered and that they have functioning Commissions/Working Groups.

- The VP Sporting stated that the Medical compliance is very important, so it is important that the medical aspect of the event be planned at least 8 weeks beforehand.

- The VP Sporting responded to the query on the payment of officials and stated that if a parent is also an official they should not expect to be paid, as they would already be at the event, and requested that this be taken into account.

- The President stressed the importance of having the correct medical staff working at events, especially staff with the correct credentials.

- Mr. Sidi enquired whether there was any media programme on the CONU, the President explained that the CONU was very small and each FMN needs to have their own Media Programme, the SG stated that the CONU has a very active social media platform but that is the best we can do. The President suggested that Mr. Sidi liaise with Mr. Mwangala from Uganda and he could assist with the publicity officer for the 2020 MXOAN.

The hosts handed out gifts to all the delegates present and the President again thanked the hosts KMSF and all the delegates for attending the meeting.

The meeting was declared closed at 12h30.