

MINUTES OF THE FIM AFRICA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
HELD ON THE 7TH NOVEMBER 2020 AT 10H45
VIA THE ZOOM PLATFORM

<u>PRESENT:</u>	MARCO COMANA	COUNCIL	PRESIDENT
	LARBI SBAI	COUNCIL (AUDIO ONLY)	VICE PRESIDENT
	TONY ROWLEY	COUNCIL	DIRECTOR SPORTING
	MRS. GILLIAN DYKES	COUNCIL	DIRECTOR
	MS. JACQUI MONTEIRO	COUNCIL	SECRETARY GENERAL
	MRS. JULIE MATIBA-WAHOME	WOMEN WORKING GROUP	WG CHAIRMAN
	MARIUS MATTHEE	ENVIRONMENT WORKING GROUP	WG CHAIRMAN
	ANDREAS BRENDEL	OFF ROAD BIKE WORKING GROUP	WG CHAIRMAN
	MS. HELEN CHIPOMA	ZAMBIA	GENERAL SECRETARY
	RAMIRO MANUEL BARREIRA	ANGOLA	PRESIDENT
	TUMISANG MODIBEDI	BOTSWANA	PRESIDENT
	RENZO BERNARDI	KENYA	PRESIDENT
	BAHAM LEKHAL	MAURITANIA	PRESIDENT
	DJAIDI MOHSSINE	MOROCCO (AUDIO ONLY)	SECRETARY GENERAL
	DEREK JACOBS	NAMIBIA	REPRESENTATIVE
	JACO DEYSEL	SOUTH AFRICA	REPRESENTATIVE
	MEHDI BACH-HAMBA	TUNISIA	PRESIDENT
	KISITU MAYANJA	UGANDA	VP MOTORCYCLING
	MRS. NIKKI HEYGATE	ZAMBIA	VOTING - DELEGATE
	MRS. ROSE RUSHFORTH	ZIMBABWE	SECRETARY GENERAL

<u>APOLOGY:</u>	MADAGASCAR	<i>(Apology received from Madagascar morning of the meeting unfortunately it was only seen after the Meeting)</i>	
	JOSEPH MWANGALA	MOTOCROSS WORKING GROUP	WG CHAIRMAN

PRESIDENT’S WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

The President welcomed all the delegates to the meeting and apologized for the late start, which could be due to technical or connectivity glitches. He went on to state that currently there were 8 members present out of 15 which is a quorum. He informed the meeting that we currently have 15 members affiliated which makes Africa the 4th largest CONU.

The President further stated that he misses the face to face meetings and hoped that the next GA would indeed be in-person in Madagascar. He stated that unfortunately virtual meetings are not for everyone, however the positives are that there is less cost and time lost for the attendees.

No apologies had been received from the FMN’s at the time of the meeting, all 15 FMN’s had registered to attend. The only individual apology for noting was Mr. Mwangala (Motocross Working Group Chairman) who had experienced unforeseen circumstances **NOTED.**

The SG briefly went through the meeting etiquette and protocols.

1. **COMPOSITION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY**
 - a. FMNs Present and Eligible to Vote
NOTED 11 FMN's present were eligible to vote.

2. **APPROVAL OF THE HOLDING OF THE GA VIRTUALLY**

The FMN's present voted in favour of holding the GA by virtual means **NOTED**.

3. **APPROVAL OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE STATUTES**

The proposed amendments to the statutes which had been distributed prior to the meeting were **APPROVED**.

4. **NOTING OF COUNCIL REPORTS**
 - a. Presidents Report (Distributed Prior to the meeting) - **NOTED**
 - b. Directors Reports (Distributed prior to the meeting) - **NOTED**

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF 2019 GENERAL ASSEMBLY HELD IN KENYA ON THE 2/11/2019**

The minutes as tabled were **APPROVED**.

6. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS GENERAL Assembly (If Any)**

No matters were raised for discussion.

7. **FINANCIAL REPORT**
 - a. **Noting of audited financials for 2019 (Distributed earlier in the year and posted on website)**
APPROVED

 - b. **Noting of Interim financials as at 30 October 2020 (Distributed prior to GA)**
NOTED

 - c. **Noting of 2021 Provisional Budget (distributed prior to GA)**
NOTED

 - d. **Approval of External Auditors for 2020 Audit**
The members **APPROVED** the re-appointment of GZ & Co as the CONU Auditors.

8. **PROPOSALS FROM MEMBERS (IF ANY)**

No proposals were received by the due date **NOTED**.

 - 8.1 **Matters raised and discussed not on the agenda**

For noting purposes and subject to COVID being resolved the GA venues are listed below for noting.

 - 2021 - Madagascar
 - 2022 - Morocco (Rabat)
 - 2023 - Zambia

Mr. Lekhal suggested that the GA should start later to take into consideration the time differences for all the countries. **AGREED** that the later meeting start will be applicable to virtual meetings only, as the time difference would not affect the in-person meetings.

Mrs. Heygate (Zambia) mentioned that she had not had sight of the proposed amendments to the statutes. The SG stated that it was the responsibility of the FMN SG to distribute to their relevant members.

Mrs. Heygate (Zambia) brought up the topic of the GSRs. She mentioned that as far as she is aware the GSRs had not been finalized and that all the working groups had submitted questions and comments that had to be looked at during the Virtual Commission Meetings. The President stated that the GSR's were still a work in progress, and the Sporting Director, Tony Rowley would be contacting the working groups who had submitted comments and questions until the document is finalised.

A vote was conducted via the chat group on whether the quorum should be reduced, the majority voted in favour of reducing the quorum to 40% when the Statutes are next amended.

Following a discussion regarding the concerns relating to Uganda, it was agreed that Uganda would send confirmation to Council that all preparations are in order for the hosting of the 2021 MXOAN by the deadline i.e. the end of January 2021.

Botswana enquired whether they would still be able to host the GA in 2022 as they had shown interest at the last GA. The SG reminded the delegates that all events and meetings had been moved a year later, she also mentioned that Council would set up a meeting with Botswana.

9. **PRESIDENT'S CLOSURE OF THE 2020 GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

The President thanked the delegates for taking the time to attend and stated he was disappointed with the late start of the meeting. He went on to wish everyone a blessed Xmas and all the best for 2021.