

Annual General Assembly

0900 Local time, 15th September 2023

Agenda

1. Reading of Notice of Assembly.
2. Report on Credentials of Representatives and Quorum.
3. Exclusion/suspension of a Member Association.
4. Approval of the Agenda.
5. Reading of the Minutes of the last General Assembly and approval thereof.
6. Business arising out of the Minutes.
7. Minute of Remembrance for Friends and Colleagues no longer with us.
8. Report of the President.
9. Report of the Executive Board and Committees.
10. Report of the Auditors
11. Receive the Finance Report, Audited Statement and Discharge to the Board
12. Appointment of the Auditors
13. Presentation of the Budget.
14. Approval of Annual Subscriptions
15. Resolutions.
16. Further business.
17. Elections.
18. Acceptance of a new Member Association.
19. Date and location of next General Assembly.

3. Exclusion / Suspension of a Member Association

Resolutions

To continue the suspension of the following Member Associations from membership of the World Curling Federation for non-payment of subscriptions.

- Bolivia

To exclude the following Member Association from membership of the World Curling Federation following withdrawal of NOC recognition and dissolution by the national courts

- Israel

Motion withdrawn following further discussions with the Israeli NOC.

12. Appointment of Auditors

Resolution

To appoint Mazars as the auditors for the World Curling Federation

14. Approval of Annual Subscriptions

No change is proposed to the rate of the Annual Subscriptions for the 2023/2024 season.

15. Resolutions

a) Constitutional Amendments

ii) Proposals from the Governance Commission

There are three proposed changes to the constitution.

1. Proxy Voting

The following change is proposed to ensure Member Associations can allocate all their votes during a meeting when only some of their delegation is in attendance. The current wording prevents Associations with 3 or 4 delegates from doing so if only one delegate (in the case of MA's with 3 or 4 reps) or two delegates (in the case of MAs with 4 reps) attend the meeting.


The following changes are proposed:

12. PROXIES

12.1. Within a Member Association:

12.1.1. a Representative may carry the proxies of only one (1) other representative of their Member Association

12.2. Proxy of another Member Association:

12.2.1. Should a Member Association Representative not attend a General Assembly its Representatives may confer a proxy upon a Representative of another Member Association 

- 12.3. Only one Representative per Member Association may carry a proxy, unless it is a proxy from their own Member Association:
- 12.4. No Representative may carry more than one (1) proxy of another Member Association's Representative.
- 12.5. The proxies are valid for all decisions taken during the General Assembly concerned.
- 12.6. The Proxy shall be given in writing to the WCF Secretariat at least one week before the General Assembly. In special circumstances a proxy may be transmitted to the Secretary General without a full week's notice, in which case the Board shall decide the validity of the proxy.

2. Gender Inclusive Language

The following changes have been submitted by the DEI Working Group to be more gender inclusive:

24. LANGUAGE AND INTERPRETATION

24.3 Words used herein regardless of the gender specifically used, shall be deemed and construed to include any other gender, masculine, feminine or neuter, as the context requires
~~Whenever the word indicating the masculine is used, it also includes the feminine.~~

3. Removal of reference to Zonal requirements for VPs

The following change is a tidying up of a clause that had been missed in the rewording of the constitution following the removal of the Zonal requirement for Vice Presidents:

BYE-LAW 3 ELECTION OF THE BOARD

1 GENERAL

~~1.4 — A candidate may only stand for the Vice President position of their Member Association's zone.~~

18. Acceptance of a New Member Association

The following Associations are proposed for Provisional Membership of the World Curling Federation:

The following are current Conditional Members:

- Bosnia & Herzegovina Curling Association
- Thai Curling Association

The following are currently not members:

- Curling Winter Sports Association of the Philippines

- Puerto Rican Curling Federation

19. Future Meetings

Open Meetings for Member Associations are planned the World Men's Curling Championship, April 2023 (SUI)

The 2024 Annual Congress will be held on the following dates: Open Meetings 5th and 6th September, Annual General Assembly 7th September 2024. The location will be announced at the AGA.