

Minutes Skype teleconference 1st March 2015

Start: 19.00 GMT / End: 21.09 GMT

Prepared by Hans Nagtegaal, edited by Brian Hoeniger

Present:

| * | Name | Representing | * | Name | Representing |
|----|-----------------|-----------------------|----|-------------------|--------------|
| BG | Brian Graham | PDGA Director | HA | Haukur Árnason | Iceland |
| BH | Brian Hoeniger | PDGA Intl Director | RC | Renita Cameron | Italy |
| HN | Hans Nagtegaal | PDGA EuroTour Manager | GK | Gatis Kurzemnieks | Latvia |
| BW | Bernd Wender | Austria | DG | Darius Gricius | Lithuania |
| FW | Fabienne Werner | Belgium | PB | Peter Buijsrogge | Netherlands |
| LF | Lukáš Filandr | Czech Republic | IB | Ingar Ballo | Norway |
| RL | Rainer Lipand | Estonia | AM | Alexandr Makarov | Russia |
| TA | Tapani Aulu | Finland | RK | Richard Kollar | Slovakia |
| FD | Florence Dumont | France | BB | Bostjan Babic | Slovenia |
| FH | Frank Hellstern | Germany | CR | Carlos Rio | Spain |
| DH | Daniel Hatvani | Hungary | MJ | Martin Jenny | Switzerland |

* Initials used throughout minutes.

Regrets:

None

Absent:

Sinus Frank (Denmark), Christer Köhler (Sweden), Neil Webber (UK)

Minutes:

BH: welcomes all, and starts the meeting.

PDGA-europe.com and participation (Hans)

HN: expresses concerns regarding participation on forum. Forum was intended as replacement for Yahoogroups (as requested by CC's), but interaction is below average.

Participation could be raised by adding digests and subscription functionality, but is also making users less 'active'.

FH: Checks likes forum a lot, and checks in almost daily, but not always writing.

HN: Ok, but FH is one of more active members; about 33% rarely check in, most people do not write at all.

BH: Suggestion to make "how-to" document to use forum better.

Voting (Lukas)

LF: Would like to have more formal procedure for voting. Up to now, voting has been done without real results, no details. Important subjects could be voted on without anyone ever knowing the details.

Examples: EuroTour Konopiste Open exception request, EDGC.

BH: Suggests adding "voting" sub forum.

"Running time" for voting subjects is discussed, but not decided on; as different subjects need more or less urgency.

"Weighted voting" is seen as not necessary for the moment.

LF: will prepare documentation.

BH: Redials due to poor quality throughout teleconference.

EDGC (Florence)

FD talks about timeline of sub committee's work, procedures documents drafted, and voting outcome.

Group discusses whether or not final voting should have been done by all CC's or just sub committee members. Group is divided about this. Previously it was never confirmed how final vote should be handled.
BH/HN: Sub committee were given full control/vote.

EXPO 2015 (Renita)

RC discusses many subjects regarding EXPO2015, and projects (in)directly linked to it.

Timeline: May-June (and October) bringing discgolf to schools. EXPO invitational event to take place at end of season (May-September). Actual tournament taking place October 16th-25th.

Fundraiser, in collaboration with Flylife / Gateway. 2015 numbered discs. And 2015 discs donated by Flylife.

Discgolf Academia / Discgolf Kingdom: Location managed by DiscGolf Italia, and proposed as resort/facility to be used by countries at discounted rate.

Adopt a Hole, RC asks for 500eur donations to finance 27-hole course, with each country adopting one basket, and designing that particular hole. Houck Design would require \$30k to design, and McCormack \$15k.

BG: "Scale down, make your plans simple & realistic. Offers RC to have her call BG to talk more details and tips.

International Survey (Brian)

BH: Most European countries already returned surveys (15 out of 28 for whole International program)

Most countries are "ok" with text, and questions asked.

FH has issues with parts of text, and will return survey after national association's board meeting.

BH: will do a survey synopsis/report once all or almost all countries have responded.

Annual fees / Expenses (Brian)

BH will draft a Memorandum of Understanding stipulating the mutual agreement between PDGA and National Association.

Topic of annual contribution is briefly mentioned, but not finalised.

Discussion quickly moves past "expenses" (eg. Awards, overhead, missing ET trophies) that should more and more be carried by PDGA Europe directly, and not by PDGA HQ.

BG: These fees will also enable PDGA Europe to become more self supporting, and self-empowered in its management and decision-making.

Discussion (FH and LF very vocal) moves towards EDGF ↔ PDGA relationship.

Who should take care of what?

LF: feels PDGA Europe bypasses its members by declaring that its partners and authorities for much of Europe decision making are the Country Associations (CA).

BH: Clarifies that the authorities given to the Countries were requested and voted on by the Countries in this Committee in previous years, for example that CA must approve PDGA International Tour events in its country.

LF: PDGA is trying to impose more USA standards in Europe, BH: refutes this.

HA: once EDGF is up and running PDGA Europe becomes obsolete.

FH: EDGF in current format is too small to carry all the weight.

Status of PDGA Europe

BH: opens discussion on founding PDGA as a chapter in The Netherlands. This as an initial step in making PDGA Europe more formalized (than "just a Committee") with a longer term aim of moving PDGA towards a more global structure, where continents will be governed by "local" PDGA chapters, FIFA is an example of such structure.

RC: issue with PDGA bypassing local bylaws; National Association requires local membership for players, PDGA does not, so foreign player can become "Italian" because address is used.

BG/BH: This is done to make membership registration system easier and more efficient.

Next Teleconference

To be determined.

No date/time set.