2014 WPF World 16th Congress Minutes

Venue: Tremplin Sports Foundation, Voiron, France

Congress was chaired by the President

The meeting was called to order at 16.45 hours on 8th November.

Roll call: Dean Drury GBR, Frederic Buttigieg FRA, Sylvia Buttigieg FRA, Simon Ardain FRA

15th Annual Congress meeting minutes: had been circulated and posted on the web site were approved.

President's Report: Mr. David Carter gave a full report on the previous years operations. Three new Nations affiliated. A well established legal status, constitution and patent logo. Rogue bodies claiming to assume the WPF status have been corrected in correspondence, with no countenance.

The WPF rules on apparel are now well established since 1999. The WPF are now looking to add another Division for Raw lifters. Sadly, the funds the Former Treasurer holds in the name of the WPF have not rightfully been returned to the WPF. The report was approved.

Vice-President's Report: Mr Kari Elison sent a written report which was approved. Secretary Report: None received.

Technical Officer's Report: Mr Robert Campbell sent a written report which was approved.

Web Master: Mr. Courtney Stanley sent a written report with documentary evidence on the Web site security and activities over the last 12 months. It had over 740,000 hits in past 10 months from around the world from over 100 Counties and data breakdown in sections and areas. The full report was approved.

World Records Registrar: Mr Courtney Stanley reported all records were up to date and procedure for claiming certificates. The report was approved.

National Affiliates Reports:

GBR – Dean Drury reported continual growth in its membership, over 100 lifter entries at its Nationals, over 35 entries at the 2014 Europeans and 68 for 2014 Worlds and a full programme set for 2015

FRA – Frederic Buttigieg reported they had held 3 very successful championships in 2014 French Nationals, Europeans and now the Worlds

New Country Affiliate applications: Afghanistan, Cameroon.

Sweden/Scandinavia.

All applications were approved.

Election of Officers:

- Vice-President: Kari Elison ICE Proposed: GBR, Seconded FRA Approved
- Treasurer: Tabled.
- Secretary: Lance Karebel Proposed: GBR, Seconded FRA Approved
- Finance Officer: Tabled.

Resolutions:

WPF Affiliation fees:

That the WPF Affiliation fee be increased to ± 100 per annum payable on 31^{st} January 2015 and thereafter.

Proposed: GBR, Seconded FRA - Approved

Lifter entry fee for Worlds and European Championships:

That the lifter entry fee for each competition be $\pounds70$ from 1st January 2015. **Proposed: GBR, Seconded FRA - Approved**

Web Master Admin Fee:

That the WPF Web Master fee be ± 100 per annum payable by 31^{st} July 2015 to go some way in meeting the web site running costs. **Proposed: GBR, Seconded FRA - Approved**

WPF Currency:

That the WPF currency in all transactions be in English Pounds (Sterling) from 1st January 2015 and thereafter.

Proposed: GBR, Seconded FRA - Approved

Rules for Lifting:

Resolutions

That, all lifters breaking European and World records shall be eligible to break records in their respective bodyweight class in the first instance, will then in all eligible categories. As a consequence all existing records shall be integrated/consolidated to this effect.

Examples:

Lifter age 50 breaks M50+records can claim M45+ & M40+ and Open.

Lifter age 60 breaks M60+records can claim M55+, M50+, M45+ & M40+ and Open. Lifter age 70 breaks M70+records can claim M65+, M60+, M55+, M50+, M45+ & M40+ and Open.

Proposed: GBR, Seconded FRA - Approved

That lifters in their respective bodyweight class and category breaking a record in the first instance, can also break the record in heavier bodyweight classes, if the weight exceeds those weights in heavier bodyweight classes. Example:

Lifter 90kg bodyweight class breaks squat record. The records in the 100kg, 110kg, 125kg, 140kg & 140kg+ bodyweights records are lower. Lifter is awarded all records in bodyweights.

Proposed: GBR, Seconded FRA - Approved

That the rule below is for **ONLY** disabled championships.

11.1 That all amputee lifters able to lift according to the rules shall be eligible. At weigh-in, should the lifter be amputated: A, ankle amputation, then 0.5kg will be added to the lifters body-weight. B, below the knee, then 1 kg will be added to their bodyweight. C, above the knee, then 1.5 kg will be added to their bodyweight. D, hip disarticulation 2,5kg will be added to their bodyweight. A to D up to 67.5kg bodyweight classes only. A to D 67.5 to 100kg and over bodyweight classes add A 0.5kg, B-1.5kg, C- 2kg and D 3kg. This is will not include the weight of the prosthetic the lifter uses.

Proposed: GBR, Seconded FRA - Approved

WPF RAW LIFTING DIVISION

That the WPF adopt a RAW lifting division throughout all Organisations affiliated to the WPF with effect from 1st January 2015.

RAW lifting championships would have to be held within our existing championships structures, as long as they are manageable, until lifter numbers are justified to stand in their own right.

RAW lifting is defined by the following:

Tee shirt with or without sleeves. Leotard with shoulder straps. Underwear as set out per rules. Socks as set out per rules. Footwear as set out per rules. Belt as set out per rules. Knee wraps as set out per rules or knee sleeves only as set out per rules. Wrist wraps as set out per rules. Elbow sleeves as set out per rules. Knee sleeves as set out per rules.

As set out means in the existing WPF rule book.

This does mean:

No manufactured bench shirt. No manufactured under briefs. No manufactured lifting suit.

Proposed: GBR, Seconded FRA - Approved

RAW RECORDS REGISTRAR

Nomination: Ruth Drury GBR

Proposed: GBR, Seconded FRA - Approved

RAW RECORDS FORMULA

That, the following formula be adopted for setting the base line for the RAW records. Based on all the **MALE OPEN** lifters, using the **90K KG BODYWEIGHT CLASS** as the **"MEAN AVERAGE", adopt the** following factors to calculate to start the new record base. Squat 90 x 2.5 = 225 kg Bench Press 90 x 1.5 = 135 kg Dead lift 90 x 2.75 = 247.5 kg Total 90 x 6.75 = 607.7 kg

Based on all the FEMALE OPEN lifters, using the 67.5 KG BODYWEIGHT CLASS as the "MEAN AVERAGE", adopt the following factors to calculate to start the new record base . Squat $67.5 \times 2 = 135 \text{ kg}$ Bench Press $67.5 \times 1 = 67.5 \text{ kg}$ Dead lift 67.5 = 2.25 = 150 kgTotal $67.5 \times 5 = 337.5 \text{ kg}$ Use the same factor for all Men OPEN Classes.

Pro-rata the same factor for all Teenage, Junior and Master Classes.

Proposed: GBR, Seconded FRA - Approved

Nominee(s) to 2014 Hall of Fame

GBR – Allison Hough, Dominic Avo, David Carter, Dean Drury, Mike King, Ken Williams.

Proposed: GBR, Seconded FRA - Approved

Bids to host Future World Championship Presentations

2015 World Championships – Chihuahua, Mexico - agreed 2016 World Championships – Kidderminster, England - agreed 2017 World Championships – Chicago, USA - agreed 2018 World Championships – No Bids

2014 World Championships Officials

Acting Technical Officers: David Carter INT GBR, Dean Drury INT GBR

Referees:

FRA: Sylvia Buttigieg NAT, Thierry Brun NAT, Simon Ardain INT
GBR: Allison Hough INT, David Carter INT, Dean Drury INT, Lisa James NAT, Mike King NAT.
AOB
None
17.30 adjournment of 16th WPF Congress.
END