

## WGKF 2015 Congress Minutes

WGKF Congress held on Thursday, Nov 26<sup>th</sup>. 2015,  
Auckland, New Zealand

1. Roll Call

The WGKF General Secretary, Mr. Jiri Bocek announced the roll call which counted 22 representatives of National Federations as present.

2. President's address and general information

The WGKF President, Mr. Humberto Oliveira welcomed presented members in Auckland and informed them of the important business regarding this event 3<sup>rd</sup> World Goju ryu Karate Championships.

Mr.Oliveira pointed out, that to this Championships were invited all countries of the World and all Goju lines without exceptions.

3. New members

Argentina asks for WGKF membership. All presented votes agreed, nobody against, no abstain from voting. Argentina is a new member of WGKF.

4. Treasurer report

Mr.Pieter Harms, WGKF treasurer explained and described WGKF revenues and expenditures during last years. Then WGKF auditor Mr. Ganesh Dalvi confirms all financial bookkeeping as correct and precise.

5. Election of WGKF Executive Committee

Proposal of the WGKF Executive Committee for the next term:

President:	Mr. Humberto Nuno Oliveira
General Secretary:	Mr. Jiri Bocek
European Vice-president:	Mr. Horst Gunter Nehm
Asian Vice-president:	Mr. Alvin Tan Oon Lye
Oceania Vice-president:	Mr. Dennis May
Africa Vice-president:	Mrs. Lilian Kattan
American Vice-president	<i>vacant</i>
Treasurer:	Mr. Pieter Harms

Election:

All presented votes agreed, nobody against, no abstain from voting

General Meeting acknowledge names above as a new WGKF Executive Committee.

6. 4th WGKF World Championships

There are two main candidates for organizing this event, Romania and Malaysia.

Both candidates showed their Power Point presentation.

Then discussion showed another proposal, which country wins, that country will host event in 2017, who loose, will host event in 2019.

Election about this proposal:

Agree: 19, against: 3 (Australia, Italy, Russia), Abstain from voting: 0

Election of the next World Championships organizer:

Romania: 14 Malaysia: 8

Next World Championships will host: in 2017 Romania and in 2019 Malaysia

7. Chairman of the WGKF Referee Committee Mr. Uwe Portugall informs presented delegates, that during the referee seminar and exam, there were a lot of excellent referees. In the end, the examination had passed 34 referees and judges and this Championships will lead a very good team of judges.

8. Amendment of the WGKF Statutes

WGKF President has sent three months before the Congress a proposal for changes of some statutes items. Nobody sent and comments concerning this proposal. President once again gone through whole statutes document and asked for agreement all members for every changed item separately.

All members had agreed and new statutes were authorized.

9. Other competent business

- a) The last congress decided, that Mr.Tiberi prepare proposal for future implementation of children categories into WGKF events.

Proposal is:

**Children (8/9), Kids (10/11), Young (12/13), Cadets (14/15), Juniors (16/17)**

Rules and protections for these new categories will be decided with the Referee Committee. Divisions will be specified in the Championships Bulletin and might be changed accordingly.

Cadets and Juniors categories stay unchanged.

All proposed categories were approved unanimously.

- b) All presented members agreed, that every important proposal have to be send at first to all nations by e-mail at least two months before the congress, otherwise they will be postponed to the agenda of the next congress.

Congress is able to decide only on those issues, which were sent before and everyone could get to know with.

10. Next congress

The next congress will take place during the 4<sup>th</sup> World Goju ryu Championships in Romania, September 2017.

Jiri Bocek

WGKF General Secretary