



EDTC EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date: May 16th, 2018

Time: 09:00, SE

Proposed agenda:

1. Welcome and opening comments by Chairman,
2. Review and approval of previous Board meeting minutes,
3. Actions and matters outstanding since last meeting,
4. Economic reports,
5. Discussion on EDTC 2018 activities – work groups,
6. Discussion about preparing the annual meeting - location,
7. Any other business,
8. Next meeting.

Those present (alphabetical order)

Akin Savas Toklu
Jean Lelievre
Jørn Ryberg
Jürg Wendling
Pasquale Longobardi
Phil Crombie

Welcome and opening comment by Chairman

Chairman, Jørn Ryberg welcomed the board members and informed the board that scheduled time for the meeting was 45 minutes.

Review and approval of previous Board meeting minutes

Chairman asked the members if the minutes of previous meeting was approved by the participated members. The board approved the minutes of previous Board meeting.

Actions and matters outstanding since last meeting

Jørn Ryberg noted that the action and matter since last meeting would be the discussion on “Guidance on safe working practices in commercial diving” document, that was going to be under the title “Discussion on EDTC 2018 activities – workgroups”

Economic reports



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Jørn Ryberg asked Phil Crombie to give economical report. Phil Crombie reported that together with the recent annual membership payments the balance was 10 067 Euros. He was asked to send the detail to secretary to update membership payment records.

Discussion on EDTC 2018 activities - workgroups

Jørn Ryberg informed the board that he has been SLIC Machex Meeting in Luxemburg adding that he had sent the report including outcome of the meeting to Board members.. The final decision was EDTC would prepare a best practice document and present them to have their comment. Chairman stated that even though the workshop couldn't be organized, EDTC is in a position that may have influence all over Europa. He added that before his speech there was an assembly having a session in which other delegates were discussing about the inconsistency in rules and legislations all over Europe, not specifically for diving works, but all other kind of works. Chairman informed the audience that EDTC has seen this problem and prepared an inventory covering legislations of European countries. Jørn noted the ppt file of the presentation sent to the Board members is a short version of the talk and gives the picture of presentation. Jørn asked the Board members comments about the progress and all members were happy about the progress and congratulated chairman.

Chairmen thanked Phil Crombie for his contribution to drafted document of "Guidance on safe working practices in commercial diving" which were sent to Board members previously. He told that the document should include minimum standards and could be accepted by any countries in Europe, who have little or no regulation. Jørn noted that an annex was also added to drafted document explaining how to do risk assessment. Chairmen asked the Board members for their comments. Jean Lelievre declared that he was agree on the importance of risk assessment. He told he didn't see any major changes to be done in the draft. He suggested adding logbook might be an idea for showing competence of divers. Jürg Wendling told that he liked the format of the document. He suggested changing "IMCA guidance" as "IMCA and DMAC guidance" in page 3. He also had the same proposal about logbook. He told that he would have proposal later for the recognition of medical certificates mentioned in page 7. He also suggested defining "assistant" in page 8. Akin Toklu stated that he liked the frame of the drafted document. He asked about schedule for finalizing the document, and chairman stated that the document would be finalized during the annual meeting and till then the Board would work as a small workgroup. Pasquale Longobardi suggested using "clinical hyperbaric facility" instead "decompression chamber" in pages 4 and 5. He also suggested defining "diving medical physician" in page 7. He also suggested that "medical staff (diver medic etc)" should be defined in page 15 or 16. Chairman once again explained that the document should include minimum standard that could easily be used by the countries that doesn't have a rule or legislation. He suggested the Board members to send their comments by e-mail within three weeks. The idea was approved by the Board.

Discussion about preparing the annual meeting – location.



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Chairman mentioned the possibility that secretary Akin Toklu could not be participating EDTC Meeting in Romania. Akin Toklu mentioned about his visit to Duke University for a while. Chairman asked the board members if anyone voluntary to replace secretary and prepare the minutes. Jürg announced that he would prepare the minutes if secretary can't participate to annual meeting.

Any other business

Chairman informed the board about an application from SUVA for membership representing Switzerland and Jürg Wendling informed the Board members about the organization SUVA. He suggested that membership would represent government explaining that SUVA is health and safety management of the country. Chairman suggested to ask more detail about the application and organization.

Secretary informed the Board regarding the request came from Joar Gangenes, representing industry for Norway. He would like to suggest deputy (Mr Oeyvind Loennechen) when he is unable to participate to annual meetings. The suggestion was approved by the Board.

Next meeting

Chairman suggested organizing next meeting on 28 August 2018 at 10:00 SE, and Board agreed on the date.

Report compiled by Akin S. Toklu