

Minutes of meeting for official founding of Deaf International Football Association, DIFA, in Orebro, Sweden
Wednesday 23 November, 2011

01. Opening of the meeting

The President and initial founder of DIFA, Mr *Jakov Frenkel* greeted the present Assembly welcome and addressed it with information about the background of the founding of DIFA. Among other things he mentioned that he 2005 was encouraged and cheered to this by the former ICSD President Ms. *Donalda Ammons* to these actions.

Mr. Frenkel pointed out that the most important work of the DIFA would be encouraging and founding the sport football among the deaf youth and women in Africa, Asia and South America. But also running deaf referee and trainers clinics would be an important task for the DIFA. A role model for DIFA work would be the work of Deaf International Basketball Federation, DIBF, founded 1998. Thereafter Mr. Frenkel opened the meeting.

02. Roll call of delegates

There were delegates from following countries present:

Brazil, Belgium, Bulgaria, Germany, Greece, Iran, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Russia, Saudi Arabia, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, Turkey, Ukraine and USA
France was present via a video-recording.

Altogether there were 21 countries present inclusively France

03. Appointment of Secretary of the meeting

The Assembly decided

to appoint Mr. Kjell Gunna, to take the minutes of the meeting.

04. Discussions

There were several delegates on the stage with questions about the DIFA and its future work, relationships with the FIFA, UEFA and International Committee of Sports for the Deaf

All delegates were positive to the founding of the DIFA however there were a couple of them claiming they will have to ask their own National Deaf Sports Federation first.

05. Official founding of the DIFA

The meeting unanimously agreed to officially found the Deaf International Football Federation, DIFA, to be established and to seek affiliation with the ICSD.



06. Elections of Officers: 2011-2014 Term of Office (until next DIFA Congress)

The Assembly decided

to elect following people to form the first Executive Board of the DIFA:

Mr. Jakov Frenkel, Russia, President

Mr. *Jack Lamberton*, USA

Mr. *Giovanni Convito*, Italy

Mr. *Kordonouris Panagiotis*, Greece

Mr. *Mohammad Pargar*, Iran

Mr. *Kanukov Soslanbek*, Russia

Mr. *Brice Allain*, France

At a later inaugural meeting the Vice-President, Secretary General, Treasurer and different Committees would be appointed and formed.

07. Miscellaneous

a/ A DIFA Constitution would be sent out soonest possible to the National Deaf Sports Federations

b/ It was decided that as soon as possible seek affiliation with the ICSD

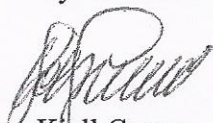
b/ Discussions with the FIBA and UEFA for Europe would be initiated for their support of the DIFA

c/ A DIFA program for the nearest three years must be worked out and distributed to all National Deaf Sports Federations and their TD for Football

d/ A Secretary General must be hired soonest possibly for the DIFA

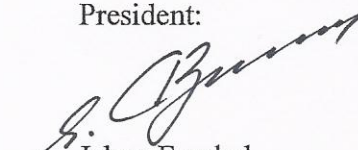
08. The DIFA President Mr. Frenkel thanked the Assembly for their support to the DIFA and closed the meeting.

By the minutes:



Kjell Gunna

President:



Jakov Frenkel