



Minutes of the Special Meeting of the WADA Executive Committee 7 November 2019, Katowice, Poland

The meeting began at 9.30 a.m.

1. Welcome, roll call and observers

THE CHAIRMAN welcomed the Members to the Executive Committee meeting, which would be followed immediately by the Foundation Board meeting.

The following Executive Committee Members (or their designated deputies) attended the meeting: Sir Craig Reedie, President and Chairman of WADA; Ms Linda Hofstad Helleland, Vice-President of WADA, Member of Parliament, Norway; Mr Francesco Ricci Bitti, President of ASOIF; Professor Ugur Erdener, Chairman of the Health, Medical and Research Committee, IOC Vice President, President of World Archery; Mr Jiri Kejval, President, National Olympic Committee, Czech Republic, IOC Member; Mr Ingmar De Vos, Executive Member, GAISF Council, IOC Member, FEI President; Ms Danka Barteková, IOC Member and Member of the IOC Athletes' Commission; Mrs Gabriella Battaini-Dragoni, representing Mr Witold Bańka, Minister of Sport and Tourism, Poland; Mr Machacha Shepande, representing Mrs Amira El Fadil, Commissioner for Social Affairs, African Union, Sudan; Mr Marcos Díaz, representing Ms Andrea Sotomayor, CADE President, Ecuador; Mr Kameoka Yoshitami, State Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, Japan; and Mr Andrew Godkin, representing Mr Richard Colbeck, Minister for Youth and Sport, Australia;

The following Standing Committee Chairs (not also Executive Committee members) attended the meeting: Ms Beckie Scott, Chairman of the WADA Athlete Committee; Mr Jonathan Taylor, Chairman of the Compliance Review Committee.

The following drafters of the Code and International Standards also attended the meeting, namely: Mr Richard Young, Code drafter; Ms Karri Dawson, ISE drafter; Ms Susan Ahern, ISTI drafter; Ms Liz Riley, ISTUE drafter; Mr Ben Sandford, Athletes' Anti-Doping Rights Act drafter.

The following representatives of WADA Management attended the meeting: Mr Olivier Niggli, Director General, WADA; Mr Frédéric Donzé, Chief Operating Officer, WADA; Ms Dao Chung, Chief Financial Officer, WADA; Ms Amanda Hudson, Education Director, WADA; Ms Catherine MacLean, Communications Director, WADA; Mr Tom May, Programme Development and NADO/RADO Relations Director, WADA; Dr Olivier Rabin, Science and International Partnerships Director, WADA; Mr Tim Ricketts, Standards and Harmonisation Director, WADA; Mr Julien Sieveking, Legal Affairs Director, WADA; Dr Alan Vernec, Medical Director, WADA; Mr René Bouchard, Government Relations Director, WADA; Mr Gunter Younger, Intelligence and Investigations Director, WADA; Mr Sébastien Gillot, Director, WADA European Office and IF Relations; Ms Maria José Pesce Cutri, Latin American Regional Office Director, WADA; Mr Rodney Swigelaar, African Regional Office Director, WADA; and Mr Kazuhiro Hayashi, Asian/Oceanian Regional Office Director, WADA.

A number of observers signed the roll call, however due to the short duration of the meeting, an incomplete list only was registered.

– 1.1 Disclosures of conflicts of interest

THE CHAIRMAN asked if any Member had a conflict of interest in relation to any of the items on the agenda. In the absence of any declaration, he would continue.

2. 2021 World Anti-Doping Code

THE CHAIRMAN stated that the item was for noting only. He understood that there were some extremely modest alterations only, and gave the floor to Mr Young, who would quickly take the Members through the very modest alterations to the Code.

MR YOUNG said that the Code Drafting Team had met the previous evening, had discussed all of the interventions and the process, and had the recommendation that the Code tabled for the World Conference on Doping in Sport be amended in three ways. The first amendment had been discussed at the previous Executive Committee meeting: in article 4.4.5, the word 'may' should be replaced by the word 'must'. The second amendment had to do with the article involving single hearings, and there was a slight modification that eliminated the use of the word 'CAS appellate rules' and referred only to the 'CAS' in response to the intervention of the CAS. The last minor change had to do with article 20.7.7, which was the article dealing with the Executive Committee's approval of an athlete rights document submitted by the WADA Athlete Committee. He understood that agreement had been reached on that, so the name of the document was the 'Athletes' Anti-Doping Rights Act'. The amendment there referred simply to that name. That was the recommendation.

THE CHAIRMAN said that there had been five drafts at the end of two years, and the three very modest alterations reflected great credit on the Code Drafting Team. The Members would be asked to approve the Code when the Foundation Board met in a few moments' time.

DECISION

Proposed amendments to the World Anti-Doping Code noted.

3. 2021 International standards

THE CHAIRMAN was pleased to say that some of the drafters of the International Standards were seated at the end of the table. It was the Executive Committee's decision whether to accept the Standards or not. He submitted for approval the International Standard for Code Compliance by Signatories, the International Standard for Education, the International Standard for the Protection of Privacy and Personal Information, the International Standard for Results Management, the International Standard for Testing and Investigations and the International Standard for Therapeutic Use Exemptions. He thanked the heads of the drafting teams. Added to the work done on the Code, that was a formidable piece of work, which the drafters could all look forward to doing again in five or six years' time. The Members would be leaving the meeting with a set of rules that were fit for purpose.

He said that he was pleased there were no comments or questions, and therefore the Standards could all be approved.

DECISION

Proposed International Standard for Code Compliance by Signatories, International Standard for Education, International Standard for the Protection of Privacy and Personal Information, International Standard for Results Management, International Standard for Testing and Investigations and International Standard for Therapeutic Use Exemptions approved.

4. Athletes' Anti-Doping Rights Act

THE CHAIRMAN observed that Mr Sandford, the drafter of the document, must be almost as relieved as he was to see the document in front of him. It needed to be approved by the Executive Committee. Was it the Executive Committee Members' view that it be approved? As there were no comments or objections, he was pleased to confirm the approval of the newly named Act.

DECISION

Athletes' Anti-Doping Rights Act approved.

The meeting adjourned at 9.40 a.m.

FOR APPROVAL

SIR CRAIG REEDIE
PRESIDENT AND CHAIRMAN OF WADA