

Legal & Constitution Committee Meeting Minutes

30 May 2024 – Zoom

<u>Participants:</u>

- Johan Druwé Chair
- Suzanne Tang Member
- Gale Bernhardt Vice Chair
- Jan Sterk Member
- Antonio F. Arimany World Triathlon Secretary General
- Paola Turconi Staff Liaison
- Elizaveta Danko Legal Intern

Excused:

- Stuart Corbishley Member
- Patrice Brunet Member
- Ian Howard World Triathlon Executive Board Representative
- Ninon Jeanneret Troboas Staff Liaison
- Sándor Péter Mészáros Legal Intern

Duration: 1 pm – 2:30 pm CEST via Zoom

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Discussion Items:	Action Items and notes:	
Welcome	Johan welcomes the participants.	
Approval of the minutes	Minutes of 18 April 2024 are approved and to be published on the TRI website.	
Action Item Review Competition Rules	There were pending procedures and rules for preventing manipulation and here it is important to focus on the role of the Tribunal in these matters. We need to send them the	

*For ease of minute taking only first names of the members will be referred to in the minutes. You can see full names above.

	documents for review and comments, as they were dealing with two ongoing cases.
Event Competitions and Championships	There is a situation where some countries can't gain points for the rankings in some championships because of the geographical regions. There is a need to prepare comments on this and advise Antonio and the Board on how we see it.
Establishing Clear Criteria for Competition Points	Johan, Suzanne, and Antonio discussed the need for establishing clear criteria for awarding points in various competitions. They noted the importance of this task should be handled by the Sports Committee rather than the Legal and Constitutional Committee. Johan also expressed concerns about competitions not being recognized unless the organising association is a member of the World Triathlon. The discussion ended with a general agreement on the need for further clarification and documentation of Competition Rules in this regard.
New Election Rules	Antonio announced the implementation of new Election rules, which will be applied for the first time in the upcoming year. The discussion revolved around the lengthy campaigning period for the President's election, with the start date set around August 7th. Antonio proposed a forum for all candidates to present in the General Assembly in September and the idea was supported by Johan for the reasons of fairness and transparency.
Election Process Guidelines for Credentials Committee	Antonio and Johan discussed the support for candidates during the election process. They agreed that candidates should not publicly campaign for each other, as this could lead to sanctions from the Tribunal. However, there was confusion about how these rules would apply to potential candidates before officially declaring their candidacy, as well as how to handle situations where supporters share information about candidates on social media. Johan suggested that the Credentials Committee would need to define clear guidelines on what constitutes public support and how to enforce the rules. Antonio and Johan also discussed the idea that the potential candidates should not be

	allowed to campaign until after officially presenting their candidacy on August 7th.	
Minutes taken by Elizaveta Danko, Legal Intern		
Next Meeting of the Legal & Constitution Committee: 11 July 2024 at 1 pm CEST		