



Minutes of the NTF Congress December 16, 2020

The Congress took place on TEAMS digital video platform at 20:00 pm Swedish time. 22 persons participated.

1. Opening of the Congress, election of Secretary and appointment of Voters

NTF's President Karoliina Lundahl welcomed the delegates and declared the congress for opened. Trond Kvilhaug was elected as secretary for the congress.

Entitled to vote on behalf of their Member Federation (MF):

- DEN: Erling Johansen
- FIN: Taisto Kuoppala
- ISL: Magnus B. Thordarson
- NOR: Stian Grimseth
- SWE: Joakim Eriksson

2. Approval of the Agenda

Magnus B. Thordarson asked for adding "Reykjavik International Games (RIG)" to Item 8. Karoliina Lundahl asked for adding "Information from the IWF Executive Board Meeting" to item 8. These items were approved and the remaining agenda was approved without any other changes.

3. Adjustment of the Protocol from the NTF Online Congress on November 25, 2020

The protocol was unanimously approved without any adjustments.

4. Confirmation of new Nordic Records

The Nordic records as per December 15 were sent to the MFs before the congress. Information about a few new Nordic records for Youths and Junior set in Finland and Norway after the Nordic Senior Online Championships was given.

5. Nordic Youth and Junior Online Championships 2020

5.1 Statement of the Organizing Committee; NVF

Tryggve Duun had, based on the experiences from Nordic Senior Online championships just held, updated the competition manual before this event, and he reviewed the manual's most important items. The camcorder's position at each national competition platform is important (centre position, height 130 – 140 cm). A victory podium will be made on each platform by stacked disks 2 m apart, and specially designed diplomas will be placed on each step to be picked up by the athlete before playing the national anthem. The "Zoom Team" will be the same as for Nordic Seniors except the competition speaker. To ensure best possible competitions a rehearsal on Friday at 20:00 (one day before competition) will be held.

The competitions will be streamed and the NTF President will send an email with the link to IWF. The infection control rules are different in the Nordic countries and it is of course very important to follow them.

5.2 Confirmation of the starting list

NTFs Vice President Patrik Helgesson sorted out the incoming changes of the start lists. Seven groups in total were decided, five groups were scheduled for Saturday and two groups (Junior Men) for



Sunday. Due to small groups (5 – 7 athletes) it was decided to postpone the start of the competitions from 10:00 to 11:00 both days (Norwegian time. Finland +1 hr and Iceland -1 hr). Weigh-in from 09:00 – 10:00.

5.3 Appointment of Technical Officials

There will be four referees in each group and opposite to the Nordic Seniors Referee no. 4 will not be an “one person jury”. Instead the International TOs in the Zoom Team, sitting in a “control room” at the Norwegian venue in Tysvær, will act as jury. A few TO positions were missing and Karoliina Lundahl and Patrik Helgesson were appointed to organize the remaining TOs.

6. Proposals to the Congress

6.1 IWF Development Funds

IWF is positive to allocate support to NTF's Online championships in 2020 (6 000 USD). These funding was proposed to be used for the “Zoom team” at both Nordics 2020. If IWF Funds are not adequate, NTF funds will be used for the remainder. If IWF Funds are adequate and there is a balance left, it may be distributed to the participating MFs. This proposal was unanimously approved.

6.2 Time schedule for future Nordic Championships

Proposal: Decide that the Championships in 2020 will be called "Online". Previously approved Championships will move forward with one year as follows:

Year	Senior Nordics	Youth & Junior Nordics
2020 -> 2021	DEN	NOR
2021 -> 2022	FIN	ISL
2022 -> 2023	SWE	FIN

The above proposal was unanimously approved. In 2021 the Danish WF will arrange Nordic Seniors and the Norwegian WF will arrange the Youth and Junior championships, respectively.

7. NTF Honorary Medal and Elite Pin proposals – orientation to the congress

Such proposals are not subject to the congress (proposals can be send to NTF at any time). However, the congress is traditionally informed.

7.1 & 7.2 Candidates from Denmark and Iceland

Honorary Medal	Denmark (DVF)	Iceland (LSI)
Category 2	Tina Marie Bendix	Asgeir Bjarnason
“	Allan Carlsen	
“	Erling Johansen	
“	Anders Bendix Nielsen	

The candidates proposed by the Danish and Icelandic WF are shown above. The proposals were unanimously approved.



7.3 Approved candidates

Honorary Medal	Finland (SPNL)	Norway (NVF)	Sweden (STF)
Category 1	Jaakko Kailajärvi		
"	Taisto Kuoppala		
Category 2	Karoliina Lundahl	Katarina Sederholm Hoff	Elisabeth Hagman
"	Antti Everi	Arne Grostad	Eva Helgesson
"	Tarmo Kuusisto	Trond Kvilhaug	Patrik Helgesson
"	Pekka Niemi	Arne Pedersen	Thomas Norlander
"	Heikki Rautapuro	Gunnar Reiakvam	Erling Åkesson
"	Mika Tiainen	Johnny Sandvik	
"	Raimo Turunen		

The candidates shown above were approved at NTF's Digital Board meeting on December 3, 2020.

7.4 NTF's Elite Pin

Unfortunately, there were no reports of any athletes who had met the requirements for NTF's Elite Pin in 2020.

8. Any other business

8.1. Reykjavik International Games (RIG)

RIG is an international multisport arrangement, taking place on January 31 2021. The organizers are calling for two female and two male athletes, and will cover accommodation and travel costs. Quarantine may be completed but practical things as training possibilities in the quarantine time are not solved yet due to possible changes in the pandemic restrictions.

8.2. Information from the last IWF Executive Board Meeting

- The IWF Congress will take place in Istanbul (TUR) at same dates as earlier announced. A digital congress is an alternative.
- The Junior World Championships 2021 is moved from March to June 2021 but will still take place in KSA.
- The Youth World Championships 2021 will then probably be pushed from June to September 2021. The host country Peru is unstable and GEO is appointed as a reserve country.
- No changes are known for the South-American & open Senior Championships in Colombia in Medio March.
- Some questions and aspects concerning the McLaren report completed the briefing.

Karoliina Lundahl finally thanked all the delegates for smooth cooperation and good discussions during the whole session, and expressed happiness that NTF can carry out these competitions. The congress was then closed.

Karoliina Lundahl
President NTF

Patrik Helgesson
Vice - President NTF

Trond Kvilhaug
General Secretary NTF