



## **Minutes of the NTF Congress in Hveragerði, Iceland, September 28, 2018**

The congress took place at Hotel Örki in Hveragerði at 20:00. 19 persons participated.

### **1. Opening of the congress and election of secretary**

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

### **2. Approval of the agenda**

Item 7.1 was clarified to deal with the NTF's annual membership fee.

The Danish WF delivered a written note right before start of the congress, which issues were distributed to the items 7.2, 11.1 and 11.2 respectively on the agenda by chairman Tryggve Duun. The agenda was then approved without any other changes.

### **3. Adjustment of the protocol from Pori, October 27 2017**

The protocol was approved without any adjustments.

### **4. Confirmation of the NTF Activity Report 2017, including financial and auditor's report**

President Tryggve Duun presented the Activity Report 2017 and asked for comments.

General Secretary Trond Kvilhaug presented the Financial Report (set up by the previous general secretary Håkan Johanson). NTF did not receive any financial contribution from EWF in 2017. Despite this the net profit was of similar size as for 2016, almost 14 000 SEK, and NTF's economy continues it's positive trend.

The Auditor's report by Esa Lomma was also approved without comments, but it was suggested that the next report should include the General Secretary in the following statement "... and the members of the board can be granted discharge under above period."

No further comments were put forward and the congress approved the Activity Report unanimously.

### **5. Nordic Senior Championships 2018 (Hveragerði)**

#### *5.1 Statement of the organizing committee*

A statement was made by the organizer's chairman Asgeir Bjaransson. He informed the congress about weigh-in facilities, distance to the competition venue, time and place for meals and the warm-up area. The weigh-in was decided to start at 07:30 on both Saturday and Sunday.

#### *5.2 Confirmation of the starting list*

Trond Kvilhaug read the corrections of athletes and weight categories and the groups of lifters, five in total, were decided. Four groups were scheduled for Saturday and one group for Sunday.

#### *5.3 Examination of referees*

No proposals were received.

#### *5.4 Appointment of Technical Officials*

Jury composition: Benny Johansson (SWE), Taisto Kuoppala (FIN) and Tryggve Duun (NOR).

Benny Johansson, Taisto Kuoppala and Trond Kvilhaug were appointed to organize the remaining technical officials.



## **6. Issues decided by email**

Tryggve Duun informed the congress about the following decisions made by email by NTF's board:

### *6.1. NTF's Referee conference 2018*

This conference has been located to Copenhagen on October 12 – 14 in connection with the Nordic Youth and Junior championships.

### *6.2 NTF's Introduction of the new IWF weight categories*

The introduction of the new weight categories takes place on November 1 2018, which is in accordance with IWF's regulations.

## **7. Proposals to the congress**

### *7.1 NTF Annual membership fee*

The annual fee as per today is 600 Euros per national federation. Due to the last years' profit it was unanimously decided to keep the annual fee unchanged.

### *7.2 Nordic records for the new weight categories (ref. 6.2)*

Discussion and assignment of a committee to make a proposal for approval at the next congress in Copenhagen, October 12. A working group consisting of Patrik Helgesson (SWE) and Anders Bendix Nilsen (DEN) (to be asked by P. Helgesson) was established. In their note DWF requested that the new standards (minimum results) should not be "too high", as they consider "having lifters setting new records quickly and let the records evolve" would be advantageous.

### *7.3 Requirements for the Nordic Elite pin for the new weight categories*

The Norwegian WF have already made calculations for their national pins of honour. The congress agreed upon that the new requirements for NTF's elite pin should be calculated according to the Norwegian method, and propose these numbers to the congress in Copenhagen, October 12.

## **8. NTF Honorary Medal and Elite Pin proposals**

No proposals were received.

## **9. Nordic Junior- and U17 Championships 2018; Copenhagen, Denmark October 12 - 14**

Entry lists sent out by the Danish WF were shown. 31 youths (14 girls, 17 boys) and 47 juniors (20 women, 27 men) were listed on the final entries, respectively.

## **10. Nordic Championships 2019**

Norway will arrange the Senior Championships in 2019 at Vigrestad (SW Norway) with the local club Vigrestad IK as the technical organizer. Tentative dates are October 12 – 13, 2019.

Sweden will arrange the Youth and Junior Championships in 2019, place and date not decided yet.

## **11. Any other business**

### *11.1 Transport information*

The Danish WF pointed out the importance of information of transport before the deadline of final entries, to avoid unnecessary car rentals.



## *11.2 Maximum numbers of participants from each country in future Nordic championships*

The upcoming increase in weight categories from 8 to 10 for both sex makes it possible for each nation to submit up to 20 athletes to future Nordic championships, which makes it harder to accomplish the championships during a weekend. The Danish WF wanted to initiate a discussion on this, suggesting that maximum 8 participants for each sex can be entered in future competitions. An alternative could be to link the maximum participation to the 7 categories which will be used in the Olympic Games.

The congress did not make any conclusions, but the subject will be discussed more in the future.

No further issues were presented. Tryggve Duun finally thanked the delegates for good cooperation and discussions during the whole session and closed the congress.

Tryggve Duun  
President Nordic WF

Trond Kvilhaug  
General Secretary Nordic WF