

**UIAA Management Committee Meeting
Sheffield, UK 18 March 2017**

Venue: Jurys Inn Hotel, Sheffield

Chair: Frits Vrijlandt, UIAA President

Minutes: Stephanie Stettbacher

Delegate	Country	Abbr	Federation	Present / Excused
Executive Board				
Frits Vrijlandt	Netherlands	NKBV	Royal Dutch Mountaineering and Climbing Club	EB
Hélène Denis	France	FFCAM	Fédération Française des Clubs Alpins et de Montagne	EB
Peter Farkas	Hungary	MHSSz	Magyar Hegy- és Sportmászó Szövetség / Hungarian Mountaineering and Sport Climbing Association	EB
Thomas Kaehr	Switzerland	SAC	Swiss Alpine Club	EB
Pier Giorgio Oliveti	Italy	CAI	Club Alpino Italiano	EB
Marc Beverly	USA	AAC	American Alpine Club	EB
Youngfeng Wang	China	CMA	Chinese Mountaineering Association	EB (EXCUSED)
Management Committee				
Anne Arran	Great Britain	BMC	British Mountaineering Council	Europe MC
Georges Elziere	France	FFCAM	Fédération Française des Clubs Alpins et de Montagne	Rep. MC
Lucia Foppoli	Italy	CAI	Club Alpino Italiano	Largest Fed MC
Juan Garrigos i Toro / Lluís López Leiro	Spain	FEDME	Federacion Española de Deportes de montaña y Escalada	Largest Fed MC
Stuart Anthony Gray	New Zealand	NZAC	New Zealand Alpine Club	Oceania MC
Francoise Jaquet	Switzerland	SAC	Swiss Alpine Club	Largest Fed MC
Kuniaki Yagihara / Hitoshi Onodera	Japan	JMA	Japan Mounteering Federation	Rep. MC
Joseph Klenner	Germany	DAV	Deutscher Alpenverein	Rep. MC
Martin Lascano	Argentina	FASA	Federacion Argentina de Ski y Andinismo (Cen. & S. America MC)	Present by SKYPE
Greg Moseley	South Africa	MCSA	Mountaineering Club of South Africa	Africa MC
Peter Muir	Canada	ACC	Alpine Club of Canada	N. America MC
Christine Pae	Korea	KAF	Korean Alpine Federation	Asia MC (EXCUSED)
Zimba Zangbu Sherpa	Nepal	NMA	Nepal Mountaineering Association	Rep. MC
Reza Zarei	Iran	IMSCF	I.R. Iran Mountaineering and Sport Climbing Federation	Rep. MC
Unit Member				
Silvio Calvi	Italy	ISF	International Sky running Federation	
Commision Presidents				
Juan Jesus Ibanez Martin	Spain	FEDME	Federacion Española de Deportes de montaña y Escalada	Access
Nenad Dikic	Serbia	PSS	Mountaineering Association of Serbia	Anti-Doping

Marija Andjelkovic	Serbia	PSS	Mountaineering Association of Serbia	Anti-Doping
Urs Stöcker	Switzerland	SAC	Swiss Alpine Club	Ice Climbing
Steve Long	UK	BMC	British Mountaineering Council	Training Standards
Mark Dennison	UK	BMC	British Mountaineering Council	Youth
Honorary Members				
Claude Eckhardt				Hon
Jordi Pons				Hon
Ang Tshering Sherpa				Hon
UIAA Office				
Carol Kahoun			Ice Climbing Coordinator	
Stephanie Stettbacher			Office Coordinator	

08:30 – 12:30 Executive session

1. Welcome by the President and apologies for absence (information)

FV: Welcomes everyone to meeting especially our Honorary members Jordi Pons, Claude Eckhardt and Ang Tshering Sherpa, including our 2 new MC members, Reza Zarei IMSCF, Françoise Jaquet SAC, Zimba Zangbu Sherpa NMA, Martin Lascano FASA and Greg Moseley MCSA.

Informes of the passing of Kazuo Saito (JMA, Honorary Member of the UIAA since 2010), who passed away at the age of 93. We shall publish on our website and social media the highlight of his life in climbing and mountaineering, and honour him at the upcoming General Assembly 2017 in Iran.

1.1 Members present

FV: Apologizes for the absence of EB member Youngfeng Wang CMA and MC member Christine Pae KAF. MC member Martin Lascano FASA will be joining us by Skype.

1.2. Declaration of Quorum and Majority

HD: There are 18 members present, 19 with Martin Lascano by skype. The quorum (art. 17 of the AoA i.e. the majority of members) is met.

▶ **The MC has 21 members, with 18 members present and 1 by Skype, the absolute majority is 10. The quorum is met and valid decisions can be taken.**

2. Approval of the Agenda (vote)

HD: we propose to switch the Agenda, Point 10 and 16 will be switched.

▶ **FV: Motioned to approved the Agenda**

▶ **Unanimously Approved**

3. Approval of Minutes of previous MC meeting, Brixen (vote)

▶ **FV: Motioned to approved the MC minutes Brixen, Italy, October 2016**

▶ **Unanimously Approved**

3.1 EB Minutes Brixen (Information)

4. Report by the UIAA President (information) (FV)

5. Report from the UIAA office, communication and marketing (information) (FV, TK and PGO)

FV: Sophie Gerard has resigned as Office Manager in December 2016, she will continue her career outside the UIAA. We plan to replace the office manager in the next few months.

PGO: We have improved our activities and communication. Our website enjoyed an increase of 64% in time spent on it. Website has new MC and member federation portal, easier to read and more information. More video content has helped with our increased positive number also in social media. We welcome feedback to our portal, website, and content.

TK: It is up to concerned EB Board links to look at marketing for their commissions, providing more marketing understanding within each commission. We have existing sponsors that we are in the process of renegotiating contracts:

- TNF Korea: expires 2018
- Western University / Golden Rock – Azerbaijan dedicated to MPA project
- Keen – Netherlands RTM project

We are preparing a new sponsorship strategy, with new documentations, based on the new media and communication figures. We also want to hire a freelancer in marketing who would be paid by increase of sponsoring, and not with a fix salary, so there will be no obligation to pay social charges.

6. Finance (Treasurer) (PF)

6.1 Result 2016 (recommendation to the GA for approval of the result: vote)

INCOME STATEMENT/CHF	BUDGET 2016	RESULT 31.12.2016	Variation BUDGET - RESULT 2016
Membership fees	300'000	336'471	12.16%
Safety Label	96'000	106'812	11.26%
Other Income (Training Standard, Ice Climbing ...)	38'100	31'434	-17.50%
Grants	59'900	60'388	0.81%
Sponsors	181'000	243'140	34.33%
TOTAL INCOME	675'000	778'245	15.30%

EXPENSES STATEMENT/CHF	BUDGET 2016	RESULT 31.12.2016	Variation BUDGET - RESULT 2016
Staff	260'100	298'101	14.61%
Administration	36'200	51'283	41.67%
Meetings & Operating Expenses	87'700	59'825	-31.78%
Commissions' Projects & Events	228'800	310'500	35.71%
Communication	51'500	46'191	-10.31%
TOTAL EXPENSES	664'300	765'900	15.29%
RESULT	10'700	12'345	15.37%

PF: Staff expenses went up with the employment of Peter Bourne, increase in administration is also up mainly due to the changes of the exchange rate of the Euro. Commission projects are also higher, but this is offset by the increase in sponsoring.

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| <p>▶ The MC recommends to the GA the approval of the results 2016.</p> <p>▶ Unanimously agreed</p> |
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6.2 New budget structure (information)

PF: Presented a new look for the budget format (*figures are just example #s*):

		Income		Expense		Balance	
		Plan	Fact	Plan	Fact	Plan	Fact
Operation	Membership Fees Federations	300000	336471				336471
	SAC contribution for office cost	20000	20000				20000
	Sponsorship UIAA						0
	Interest						0
	Sundry income						0
	Staff salary	0		260100	298101		-298101
	Administration			36200	51283		-51283
Events	GA			27800			-27800
	MC			12000			-12000
	EB1			3500			-3500
	Ice Climbing 1	27000		25000			2000
	xxx commission meeting			500			-500
	yyy commission meeting			1200			-1200
Projects	Website			3000			-3000
	Petzl	3000		3000			0
	TQ	70000		2500			67500
	Near miss survey			300			-300
	Rock climbing			5000			-5000

PF: It would be beneficial to have the office hours needed (column): the office should indicate the hours spent on specific tasks. At the moment we are including this under the caption “administration”.

FV: In relation to the budget, I am informing you concerning the position of Sophie Gerard, we have changed the title to Director of Operations and the salary will remain the same, so there will be no changes in the forecast budget.

6.3 Safecom budget (MB)

MB: There was an increase in fees (for the manufacturers having UIAA Safety labels) of 10 euros by raising the label fees to 40 euros. This was to provide funds for the annual Safety Commission Meeting. The money is there, but the budget was not clear. I'm working with Dave Custer on the budget and we will ratify and resubmit the budget looking at a 3-5 year budget.

7. Membership updates (General Secretary)

7.1 Follow up of GA decisions (information regarding non-payment)

HD: We had 3 members not having paid membership fees for 2 years at the time of the GA 2016:

- **UPAME** – they do not have the funds to pay the fees as Observer members. However, as they are representatives of some South American Federations, we could recognize them as continental council representatives, without the need to pay observer fees.
- **FECODEM**– They have not paid, so they will be expelled.
- **Sri Lanka** - asked for help from the Solidarity fund, of 500 Euro, to pay their Observer fees for 2015. They have paid their fees for 2016.

Martin Lascano joins by Skype:

ML: update UPAME they have maybe 10 federations as members, their fees are \$50 a year, which is not enough to finance themselves. They are not very active due to this. They are trying to reorganizing themselves and stay connected with the UIAA.

PM: According to the definition of Observer member, there is no size specified, the organization, therefore could be very large or have only a few members.

AoA Article 6 d.) *Observer members:* national, multinational, transregional or other mountaineering organisations and institutions that are engaged in the study of mountains, mountain protection or similar activities may be admitted as observer members without the right to vote.

HD: We decided at the last MC in Süd Tyrol 2016, that organizations under 300 members could not be full members. However, no decision was made concerning Observer members.

Action Point:

▶ HD: Proposes that the Observer status be reviewed for the next MC

Action Point:

▶ FV: Proposes to postpone the decision of the solidarity fund for the next MC in Iran. We will ask for more information, the number of members, future events and their financial report for 2015.

7.2. Requests for observer membership: TSP and review of membership matrix (discussion)

HD: We have received several requests from small organizations wanting to receive the training standards, some coming from commercial organizations, and in many cases we have already an Active member in the country. After speaking with Steve Long, yesterday, we feel the best solution is to ask the Active UIAA member for an endorsement of these organizations.

FV: Requesting organizations will be informed to contact their national federations. When there is no national federation, we can encourage the organization to start and initiative for a national organization in their country. There will be no more observer federations in this status.

HD: For the Matrix we had some questions from SC about the Unit Membership.

PM: The fees should be determined by the size of the organization wanting to be Unit Member and not fixed in the matrix.

FV: If we are all in agreement we will use this Matrix with the suggested remark of PM, to communicate the rights of our members.

- ▶ **MC Unanimously agrees to the suggestions of PM to be integrated on the Matrix and used for communication of members rights**

7.3 TDF: important decrease in number (information)

HD: Up until 2014 they had declared +/- 20,000 members, and then in 2015 they declared 3,525. We had important discussions with TDF at the last GA 2016 and they paid their fees for 2015 / 2016 declaring 19,990 members. Now in 2017, they declared 5,637 members, this was signed by the new TDF president. On their website they claim more than 30,000 members.

Action Point:

- ▶ **FV:** Basically they have only declared the number of athletes. We would like to send a letter to the Turkish government explaining the situation, and asking that TDF pays according to UIAA AoA for the total amount of members.

8. Rock Climbing Working Group: update and to become part of the Mountcom (vote) (AA, PF)

AA: The UIAA, via a group of experts, will elect the best Rock Climbing Event and the best Rock Climbers among several events around the world. A total amount of CHF 3'000 will be allocated in order to reward the winners. *Please see supporting docs for more information.*

Action Point:

- ▶ **TK:** From what I understand, the RCWG would like to partner with selected events on all continents; the office can help with the marketing and possibly sponsors, please inform office so we may focus on these events.

JK: If we are talking about events where there are 1,000s of climbers, this impacts the environment, and DAV GA decided not to support them.

TK: The UIAA is a responsible sport organization, where we take environmental criteria in mind. It's important to show our presence in rock climbing with the goals of the event focusing on safety and sustainability.

- ▶ **FV:** We would like to propose that the RCWG, as it is multi commission WG, stays as a WG linked to the MC until it is developed further.

9. 2016 – 2020 Strategic Plan: progress report (information) (PF)

PF: One interesting results of development of SP was concerning the Youth and Access Commissions. All other commissions were started for a particular purpose, however Youth may participate in any of the other commissions accordingly because it brings in the aspects of youth. The other being Access, it was also started for the purpose of Access, however in SP there is not a single task that can be implemented by this commission. So, to join the budget and SP, I have asked the commissions to list all projects and see how these relate to the SP.

- ▶ May 2017: list of commission projects
- ▶ October 2017: report on progress

We have to rethink the current structure of commission, according to the results.

Action Point

- ▶ **GM:** Asks for support concerning an access problem in South Africa ("no steep rock can be climbed"!)

PF: We are only reactive and should be proactive.

10. Creation of an Athletes commission (vote) (TK): moved to afternoon to be discussed with the Commission presidents.

11. Election of Commission Presidents: Youth, Access and Anti-doping Commission (vote) (SS)

FV: Candidates for election for Commission Presidents:

Access	Juan Jesús Ibáñez Martín
Anti-Doping	Marija Andjelkovic
Youth	Mark Dennison

▶ **MC unanimously agrees to confirm election of all 3 candidates**

12. Proposal for a resolution / Alpinism as World Cultural Intangible Heritage (GE) (Vote)

GE: The MC of the UIAA, the worldwide representative of alpinism associations, welcomes the on-going proceedings for an application to the UNESCO in order to get alpinism recognized as Intangible Cultural World Heritage, of outstanding and universal human and social value. The UIAA MC in its meeting, 18th March 2017 in Sheffield (UK), declares supporting the efforts of the project group presently working together with the competent governmental and administrative bodies of several countries. The UIAA MC invites every member association to consider the possibility to contact their respective governmental bodies in order to join the application or at least to issue a statement supporting the application at UNESCO.

The UIAA MC intends to submit also the present resolution to the October 2017 UIAA General Assembly.

▶ **MC unanimously agrees for the UIAA support of this proposal for Alpinism as World Cultural Intangible Heritage**

FV: Thanks CE for the work, and FFCAM and CAI who have already shown their support. We look forward to hear the progress of this initiative at the GA 2017.

GE: This must be represented by countries supporting the proposal with statements supporting the application, all must be prepared including a film, **by 20 March 2018**. The decision by UNESCO will be announced at the beginning of 2019.

13. ISMM-UIAA MedCom memo of understanding (vote for approval by the MC) (MB)

MB: Both the ISMM and UIAA Medcom are active in the field of mountain medicine. The ISMM was actually founded in 1985 by members of the UIAA MedCom. The ISMM's goals are "to create an international organization of scientific character and to encourage research, studies, discussion and publications concerning all medical aspects of mountains, mountain people and mountaineers." The UIAA MedCom is primarily concerned with advice to prevent adverse medical incidents the mountains. Inevitably there is some overlap, and close liaison should prevent any duplication of work and also sharing of expertise when appropriate.

▶ **MC unanimously agrees to recognize ISMM-UIAA Medcom memo of understanding.**

14. Good governance (HD)

14.1 Conflict of interests (information)

HD: To be in line with the IOC regulation we should adopt a chart of ethics and conflict of interest declaration. Such documents were prepared by students on SG request. These documents needed to be reviewed to fit the UIAA. PM, myself and LEWG, looked at this. Unfortunately, due to the early date of this meeting, the draft was not ready to be submitted now.

Action Point:

- ▶ **PM:** These documents are good starting points but there are a few issues that still need to be solved. These 2 documents "Charter of Ethics" and "Conflict of Interest" will be reviewed and submitted for the MC October 2017 meeting.

13:30 – 16.30 Session with invited Commission Presidents

15. Continental reports (information)

15.1 Africa (GM)

GM: We have a number of small federations in Africa varying from 20 to 200 people. We agreed, with our Moroccan friends at the last GA, that they would help look after French Africa, and MCSA would look after the English speaking part. MCSA is starting the Africa Initiative, along the lines of UAAA, to develop the climbing, environmental ethics in rural areas, joining the federations on the African continent. The beginnings of this are taking place with an exchange of information and the idea of a "Pan African Meet" to be held late in 2017. We recognize that a common threat across the mountains of the world is that of climate change. We have Access issues all over the Western Cape, due to the land being privately owned. As well as the government stating, 'Thou shall not climb steep rock'. We will ask the UIAA in the future to help with a letter to our government.

15.2 Asia (CP excused; *presented by Hitoshi Onodera (JMA) and TK*)

HO: UAAA has 20 members from 16 countries, and want to find a connection to work closer with the UIAA. The last UAAA meeting Frits Vrijlandt and Sophie Gerard were in attendance. We look forward to the future Asian meetings Council meeting in Mongolia 30th May 2017, joint expedition Mongolia Altai June 4, 2017 and UIAA GA in Iran October 21, 2017.

TK: Cheongsong Ice Climbing World Cup was one of our best events of the season. Next year the Olympic Winter games will be held in Pyeongchang, we intend to have a cultural event in Ice Climbing as we had in Sochi. We have held meetings with the organizers for this, and have an area designated to us and I will update you with the further developments.

15.3 Europe (AA)

AA: The UIAA is well represented in Europe, with 39 different countries. I received feedback from Czech Republic where they held an EU funded project called 'Climbing for Everyone'. Slovenia and Croatia held their 4th Ice Climbing world Cup. FFCAM are currently making an EU application for Youth, with the focus on young women, they are looking for partners. DAV is working on a program with helping refugees integrate with the community.

JK: DAV clubs are working on initiatives to integrate refugees into the community, 10-12 clubs have already started this work. We are also working with other organizations such as the Red Cross working together to help the refugees. Concerning EUMA we had the meeting in Brussels with 21 federations attending last October. The next working group meeting is 1st April together with the new President of CAI. At this meeting, we will make the preliminary draft of the statutes, discuss the integration of other European organizations, the financing of the organization, the place of registration, and also discuss who will be leading the organization. Hopefully, in May 2017 we will send the results of this WG meeting to our European Federations. EUMA is open to all European federations in and out of the European Union.

GE: The question remains, 'How do we use all our links with our member federations in the best way?' CAA can contribute to building these links with federations, however, most issues raised in CAA would be best handled and should remain within the UIAA, which is the most relevant level to handle them. The CAA should limit itself to the precise task for which it has been created: its role in the Alpine Convention. The work shouldn't be duplicated in different places.

15.4 North America (PM)

PM: From the **AAC**, the political climate in the U.S. is contentious and uncertain. In the last year, the American Alpine Club has stepped up its efforts in conservation and public policy. Recent withdrawal of significant outdoor equipment suppliers from the Salt Lake City Outdoor Retail show in protest of current legislative initiatives has led to the cancelling of this event. December 15-17, 2016, athletes from all over the world gathered in Durango, Colorado at the first UIAA Ice Climbing World Cup event.

ACC: The 1st Canadian Climbing Medicine Symposium, organized by Dr. Yasser El-Sheikh (ACC member and Corresponding member of the UIAA Medical Commission), is endorsed and supported by the ACC to be held in Toronto July 31st-August 1st, 2017. The Alpine Club of Canada, with the help of the UIAA office is negotiating with Quebec City, Quebec, Canada for potential hosting of a Management Committee Meeting in Quebec City in 2020.

15.5 Oceania (SG)

SG: Alpinism is alive and well Down Under, new routes being found, distinctive Kiwi style wilderness ascents with bold new mixed routes. Our Rock community is very active. Some of our challenges concern Access, crossing private lands is a continuous problem, the physicality of getting to the mountains especially with the glacier retreat, sustainability issues growing with the rapid growth in overseas visitors. Because of this, our department of conservation is under pressure as they manage 30% of NZ land area plus marine reserves. And of course climate change.

15.6 Central & South America (ML)

ML: We have now Guatemala as a new federation joining, Argentina, Chile and Brazil as UIAA members. The main issues in the countries are access and sustainability and environmental issues. I have spoken to other smaller federations in Central and South America, they would like to be involved with the UIAA but have 2 major problems: budget and communication.

FV: Steve Long in training standards is the best to work with concerning education and training and Juan Ibanez for any Access problems.

10. Creation of an Athletes commission (TK)

TK: Athletes Commission is made up of elected licenced athletes and serves as link between the athletes- Ice Climbing and EB. The commission will put forward needs and concerns of athletes, give input on implementation of Rules and Regulations specifically focusing on safety, clean sport and the development of the sport, work toward International and national promotion of ice climbing and reflect the Olympic Agenda. We look for male and female athletes, 7 members 1 per country, minimum age 18, licenced athletes and they will be elected by the athletes themselves. 2-3 elected delegates (with different nationalities) from the Athletes' Commission get full voting rights within the Ice Climbing Commission. These can represent max. 1/3 of the total votes. The Athletes will first be nominated by their federations and then voted on by the athletes. The elections will go through the UIAA office.

LL: From my experience it is very difficult to get these athlete members; we have only 2 posts for athlete's: one male and one female in the Ski Mountaineering Federation. When it comes to competition time, the athletes have only the sport on their minds. Thank you for your contribution and opening this discussion. My opinion based from our fed., I would do this step by step, first by having the voice of the athletes within the IC Commission.

SG: The UIAA has 9 Commissions, it will be difficult for me to communicate to my federation that there are 3 commissions related to Ice Climbing. Within the UIAA it does not make sense to have an athletes' commission.

PM: Who pays the cost of these athletes to attend the IC meeting and MC? By the AoA statutes, the president of every commission is entitled to attend the MC. For example, the athlete's commission get in a dispute with the IC and they need a resolution. The resolving body to solve this dispute is the MC. Who pays for them to attend the meeting? I am behind the idea of having the athletes having a voice,

however I think they need to be represented within the IC; here they can resolve their conflicts internally. That is where they can have the most impact.

JK: I want to make a motion to stop this discussion.

FV: Who is in favour of creating a separate athletes commission?
6 In favour, 8 Against and 4 Abstentions

GM: As it is important for athletes to have a voice, I propose that 2 athletes are represented on the ice climbing commission with full voting rights. These should be from different genders and different nationalities, in order to represent the athlete community as a whole. These 2 athletes shall be elected by the athletes, via a poll as TK proposed. All mediated by the UIAA Office.

- ▶ **FV: Who is in favour of having 2 athletes represented on the Ice Climbing Commission (1men & 1women representing different nationalities elected by the athletes) with voting rights?**
- ▶ **14 Approved 3 Abstentions and 1 Against**
- ▶ **Motion is approved**

16. Concept and Perspectives of the Commissions (JK)

JK: The traditional part of the UIAA, including mountaineering, rock climbing, MP, should be more visible. We would like to see more traditional activities according to the SP. Therefore, the MC should evaluate the commissions to see if they are meeting their targets, and check how they relate to the SP. With this information the MC can make a proposal on the work/outcome of the commissions in the UIAA. I would like to start this discussion.

PF: The UIAA should align the activities of the organization with the needs of the member federations. UIAA commissions are working in this alignment and according to the SP, except in the case of the Access commission. As this commission needs to help only and when there is a need from a member federation. This commission could be integrated into another commission and work when needed on a case by case action.

Action Point:

- ▶ **PF:** Proposes that the access commission operates on a case by case basis, as a working group within another commission.

PM: In order to make this decision we need more information from the commissions, as PF has said earlier, to have a list of activities from the Commissions themselves. Let PF finish his polling of all the commission and then we have a WG formed after fall meeting to assess activities and decide whether or not the commission are in alignment with the SP.

Action Point:

- ▶ **FV:** We will ask all CP and WGs how they meet the SP, with this information we can better assess the commissions and WG structures. This will be presented in October to assess.

17. Sky running: update (Silvio Calvi)

SC: Presents the report included in the minutes with the support of a movie which is available on MC Portal.

- 3 types of competitions Sky Classic Sky Ultra and Sky Extreme
- MC will receive invitations to ISF GA 2017 which will be held in Andorra
- Working closely with UIAA Anti-doping
- We are looking into setting a standard for testing the soles of shoe

18. Commission delegate's nomination and re-nomination (vote) (SS)

Access

Jodlowski	Milosz	Poland	PZA
Petrov (CM)	Boyan	Bulgaria	BCMF

Ice Climbing

Stöcker	Urs	Switzerland	SAC
Launits	Nadezhda	Russia	RMF

Medical

Donegani	Enrico	Italy	CAI
Nogueira Garrigos Vinhaes	Eduardo Nogueira	Brazil	CBME
Wichardt	Emma Linnea	Norway	NTK
Galíndez	Mercedes	Argentina	FASA
Morrison (CM)	Audry	UK	BMC
Rotman (CM)	Ivan	Czech Rep.	CMF

Mountaineering

Melchiorri	Claudio	Italy	CAI
Aoyama	Chiaki	Japan	JMA
Vogel	Jiri	Czech Rep.	CMF

Safety

Chowdhury	Amit	India	IMF
Holec (CM)	Jan	Check Rep	CMF
Onodera (CM)	Hitoshi	Japan	JMA
Unsain	Agustin	Argentina	FASA
Wedlick	Thomas	USA	AAC

Youth

Dennison	Mark	UK	BMC
Manna	Michele	Italy	CAI
Rubiyatt	Mahmud Al	Bangladesh	BMF
Abreu (CM)	Edgardo	Brazil	CBME
Paterson (CM)	Jenny	South Africa	MCSA

► MC unanimously agrees to accept all delegates recommend by commission presidents

Action Point

► **FV:** There is a discrepancy with the AoAs (Art 25.4) and the Commission Regulations regarding the end terms of delegates. The EB will check this and report to next the MC in October 2017.

19. Discussions with invited commission presidents:

Youth (Mark Dennison)

MD: challenges for Youthcom are maintain and improve membership relations to have a more Active role in commission, ensure existing events comply with UIAA guidance regulations, and secure funding for projects and events. I would like to link with other commissions and seek opportunities for joint projects, for example, Mountain Protection Commission and RTM events.

Access: Access tasks and priorities

JM: The AC tries to give a clear and precise response to new needs that arise in Access throughout the world for the mountaineering and mountain community. The commission members are working to produce a four years action plan for UIAA Access Commission, including:

- New periodical articles to show good examples of access agreements for mountain activities.

- Produce a short database for an effective support on access problems.
- FASA-Argentina will develop a course about access to different clubs and organizations involved in access in the area.
- FEACH-Chile shares a public document to contribute to develop a national policy on mountains in Chile.

Anti-doping

ND: We created a very successful campaign called 'Clean Climbing', and received positive feedback including from WADA. For this season Dr Marija Andjelkovic and Dr Nenad Dikic have created online antidoping education and test using a Moodle, and all licensed ice climbers used this education Moodle, 161 athletes!

We had the first positive case in Ice Climbing in 8 years. The climber tested positive for Meldonium. Meldonium was free to use until 2014, and then 1st Jan 2016 they put this drug on the ban list, and many athletes were affected and 172 tested positive. At the moment, myself, Marija Andjelkovic and 4 colleagues are taking Meldonium for scientific research.

Ice Climbing

US: In 2017, the UIAA organized the following ice climbing events around the world:

- 5 World Cups (two new locations – Durango, USA and Beijing, China)
- 1 World Championships
- 1 World Youth Championships
- Support of Youth Event in Durango, USA

This season, the UIAA hired an international live-streaming company, QTV Sports (UK), to produce at 5 of the 7 international events. This resulted in 2.8 million views for the whole season, for example in Durango on Facebook where we had over 660,000 views.

UIAA Goal: ice climbing becomes part of the official competition program at the 2022 Winter Olympic Games in Beijing. An important milestone: 2018 Pyeongchang games. For this a UIAA project team has to be initiated and supported.

Mountain Training Qualification panel

SL: We have ready digital version of the Alpine Handbook and a winter version is coming out as well. There are lots of organizations approaching the UIAA requesting training. It is far preferable if the active federation for a country takes responsibility of Quality Assurance for the requesting organization, encouraging them to affiliate through its own membership rather than trying to join the UIAA independently. The database is almost completed; *more information concerning TQ can be found in supporting documents*. Concerning finances, we feel in the future we need a professional officer who will run this, and it will need to be paid.

20. Future meetings

20.1 2017 UIAA Management Committee and GA, Iran (Reza Zarei)

- **Scheduled for October 21, 2017**

20.2 2018 UIAA Management Committee

Proposal from NMA Nepal Spring 2018 Ang Tshering Sheerpa

▶ **MC Unanimously agrees to accept the proposal from NMA for the MC Spring Meeting 2018**

Meeting Adjourned