Minutes General Assembly

BGFed.be – Belgium Backgammon Federation

Les Brasseries du Longchamp, Uccle, December 4, 2015

Present: Guy Van Middelem (President, Founding Member & representing Brugge), Maurits Pino (representing Johan Segers, Founding Member), Robin Bilderbeek (representing Gent), Alain Chif (representing Brussels), Nabil Antoun, Luc Palmans (Board Member, representing Hasselt), Sassan Kachanian.

Excused: Johan Segers (Vice-president/secretary, Founding Member), Line Vandamme (Treasurer, Founding Member), Michel Lamote (Board Member, Geert Van Der Stricht).

Welcome drink & word by the President (Guy Van Middelem): explanation of the formal non-profit organisation, structure: board, member clubs & players.

Report of the Treasurer (Guy Van Middelem in the absence of Line Vandamme): balance 2015 (agreed), budget 2016 (adopted), fees: 10, - € per individual member; 25, - € per 4 Cubes team; BIC: 10, - € per player.

Report of the 2015 4 Cubes committee (Luc Palmans, Chairman): 2015 explained: ok; new format in 2016, because of only 5 registered teams, explained: ok.

Report of the 2015 BIC committee (Guy Van Middelem, Chairman): 2015 explained ok (final to organise in Longchamp on Friday December 18, 2015), format in 2016 explained: ok.

Report of the 2015 Selection Committee (Guy Van Middelem, Chairman): A) European Championships 2015 in Budapest: Belgium finishes 6th out of 15 in the Team Competition; lots of talks about the (poor) conditions of contest and the (nice) way the Belgium Team has behaved. B) Relation to the EUBGF: Guy Van Middelem expresses his doubts about paying 300, - € as an Associate Member due to the bad functioning & communication of the EUBGF.

Nevertheless, Belgium (trough BGFed.be) will send a team to Denmark in autumn 2016. The selection committee 2015 has finished her duties.

Report of the Rating Committee (Maurits Pino reads a note from Johan Segers, Chairman): end of Bigelo around March 2015 (many thanks to Toon Van Herreweghen), start of a new ranking list end of March 2015. Everything explained: ok.

Creation of a BMS / BPR Committee (Guy Van Middelem in the absence of Michel Lamote, Chairman): explanation.

Board: Tournament Director Luc Palmans remains as Chairman of the 4 Cubes Committee but quits as Board Member (many thanks for your cooperation, Luc). Therefore, BGFed.be is looking for a new Board Member. 2 candidates: Eric Aries & Maurits Pino. Maurits Pino is elected by voting. Congratulations to Maurits.

Varia: website: ok; plans for a Belgian tournament belonging to the European Tour: no news from the EUBGF to our questions.

The meeting closes at 19.45 hours.