



Minutes of the CTIF Delegates Assembly

June 14, 2018

Start: 08.30h

Las Vegas, USA

Opening and Minute of Silence	President
Welcome speech Presentation NFPA	Organisers
1. Quorum	General Secretary
2. Approval of the minutes of the Delegates Assembly in Villach July 2017	President
3. Activity report of the president	President
4. Activity report of the general secretary	General Secretary
5. Financial report of the treasurer, report of auditors, approval of the budget for 2019, confirmation Auditors	Treasurer Auditors
6. Designation Honorary members 7. New members / resignations and exclusions other members	President
8. Presentation Members Ordinary member: Spain Associate member: THW Germany Associate member: SWELP France Associate member: ZUMTOBEL Austria	New Members
9. Preview Games and Delegates assembly 2019	General Secretary and Organizer
10. Preview Delegates assembly 2020	General Secretary and Organizer
Reports of Vice Presidents and commissions	V/ Pdt , Commission Chairmen
11. Report of CTIF Statistics Centre	
12. Report of Commission Extrication and New technologies	
13. Report of Commission Hazmat	
14. Report of Youth Commission	
15. Report of Fire Prevention Commission	
16. Report of Airport Commission	
17. Report of Commission Women in Fire and Rescue Services	
18. Report of Commission Volunteers	
19. Report of Health Commission	
20. Report of Wild Fire Commission	

21. Report of Commission History and Museum	
22. Report of Associate Members	
23. Report Fire London	
24. Report Indoor Fire	
25. Report Fire Russia	
26. Suggestions to and from the President National Committees	President
27. Miscellaneous	President
28. Closing Delegates Assembly	President

MINUTES

The ceremony started with welcome speeches from hosting country, Russ Sanders, honorary member of CTIF and and President of the USA CTIF Delegation and Jim Pauley, President and CEO of the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA).

The CTIF Delegates Assembly Grand Opening Ceremony began with a Silent Minute for Fallen Firefighters around the World, accompanied by the bagpipes and military drums of the Las Vegas Firefighters' Marching Band.

1. Quorum

21 countries present (of 39).

2. Approval of the minutes of the Delegates Assembly in Villach July 2017

Minutes were approved by delegates.

3. Activity report of the president

Tore Eriksson, president of CTIF, presented his work during the year. First, he devoted some words to the organization CTIF, member countries, executive committee, commissions and working groups. Because CTIF Office was moved to Ljubljana, he presented the new secretary, Neža Strmole. The President also presented the following topics: ISO standards and best practice procedure.

4. Activity report of the general secretary

Michel Bour, general secretary of CTIF, reported meetings and conferences he attended. Especially he pointed out the visit, a few days before DA, to Russia where he was representative of CTIF and he attended the international conference "International humanitarian assistance: experience, realities and prospect".

He also presented his daily work and pointed out the dates for the next Delegates Assembly. The DA will be held on Thursday, 18. 7. 2019 in Martigny, Switzerland. In 2020 Delegates Assembly will be organized in Germany and in 2021 in Slovenia, where are also the next games will take place.

5. Financial report of the treasurer, report of auditors, approval of the budget for 2019, confirmation of Auditors

Treasurer Marc Mamer presented:

- financial situation for year 2016 in 2017
- profit and loses for year 2017

A plan for year 2019 was presented by the Treasurer.

FINAL REMARKS: *Financial report and report from auditors and plan for year 2019 were approved by delegates.*

6. Designation of Honorary members

President announced we have one proposal, this is Pentti Partanen from Finland. CTIF proposed him to become a honorary member. He has now all benefits for CTIF and is entitled to attend meeting and other events.

Unfortunately he was absent. The medal was handed to the representative from Finland who thanks for this important and special award for Mr. Partanens long time work for CTIF.

FINAL REMARKS: *Honorary member were approved by delegates.*

7. New members / resignations and exclusions other members

We have a new national member: SPAIN. The President explained, they were members already in the past, but they exited because of financial trouble. Now they are back and have signed an official application form again.

Exclusion of the country Montenegro. President explained they came just once, later we have tried to get in touch with them several times but not with success.

FINAL REMARKS: *Delegates approved Spain as a new member and exclusion of Montenegro.*

8. Presentation Members

Presentation of new ordinary member Spain was not made. Representatives were absent.

The following presentations of Associate member were made:

- THW Germany
- ZUMTOBEL Austria
- SWELP France
- LION USA
- SIOEN France

9. Preview Games and Delegates assembly 2019

A letter with information about the next Delegates Assembly was distributed to all delegates. The Youth Games 2019 will take place between 17. and 20 July 2019 in the city Martigny. The next Delegates Assembly will be on Thursday, 18. 7. 2019 in Martigny, Switzerland.

FINAL REMARKS: *Delegates approved location and date for Games and Delegates assembly 2019.*

10. Preview Delegates assembly 2020

The President of the firefighter association of Germany, Hartmut Ziebs, presented where the Delegates assembly 2020 will organized. The meeting will be held during the Interschutz fair.

FINAL REMARKS: *Delegates assembly 2020 were approved by delegates.*

11. Preview Games and Delegates assembly 2021

A representative of Firefighter association of Slovenia presented the city Celje where the games and delegates assembly in the year 2021 will be hosted and the location for games and training.

REPORTS OF VICE PRESIDENTS AND COMMISSIONS

12. Report of CTIF Statistics Centre

Since the representatives were absent, president Tore Eriksson presented their report. The report is published on website.

13. Report of Commission Extrication and New technologies

Tom Van Esbroeck, Chairman, presented the plans for a CTIF seminar in Brussels (9. and 10 of November): Fire, Rescue & New Challenges. More official information will be published on our website and sent to all members. He presented also the work of the commission and proposals for ISO standards.

14. Report of Commission Hazmat

President of Commission, Robert Sykora, made a review of year 2016 – 2018. He pointed out importance of such a seminar that is being prepared by Tom Van Esbroeck with Commission Extrication and New technologies. They went together on several international conferences around the world, China, Iran.

15. Report of Youth Commission and Competition

Zdenek Nytra, vice president of CTIF and member of Competition Commission, presented a report from the Youth and the Competition Commissions because the Chairperson were absent. He also added his own conclusion regarding games in Villach and thanked for their organisation.

16. Report of Fire Prevention Commission

Dr. Aleš Jug, chairperson of the commission, briefly introduced their work, purpose, goals etcetera.

17. Report of Airport Commission

Ole Hansen, vice president and chairperson of commission, reported about meetings, conferences and seminars members attended. The Commission has been involved in the work with the new EASA regulation for airport firefighting services and he pointed out the Environmental problems with Foam.

18. Report of Commission Women in Fire and Rescue Services

President Tore Eriksson introduced commission and showed page of commission on website. It has a lot of good information.

19. Report of Commission Volunteers

Hubert Vetter, Vice President and chairman of the Commission, reported about last meeting in Paris. They discussed important topics such as insurance, firefighting and worktime.

20. Report of Health Commission

Michel Bour reported activities of Health Commission. He presented suggestions for members and encouraged delegates to send a more delegates. Michel mentioned some topic for discussion. They will connect also with Hazmat Commission and work together in the future.

The general secretary presented the project of a new working group Tunnel, accepted by the EC. A letter will be send in July to all ordinary and associated members. DA accepted his proposal.

21. Report of Commission Europe

Seamus Murphy reported work of Commission Europe.

22. Report of Wild Fire Commission

Mario Starčević presented work from year 2016 – 2018 and topics that were discussed at the meetings.

23. Report of Working group „Danube countries”

Mario Starčević presented items that were discussed at the meetings in past years. He briefly mentioned refugee crises in 2015 and role of firefighters and announced items for the next meeting in October: Floods, EU-guidelines for floods.

24. Report of Commission History and Museum

The written report had been distributed to members before the meeting.

25. Report of Associate Members

Ole Hansen, vice president, takes care of the connection between CTIF and the associate members. He pointed out their interest for exhibitions at conferences and meetings.

26. Report Fire London

Dennis Davids reported about Grenfell Tower Fire London – beginning and cause of fire, rescuing, investigation, expert witnesses, faults... He presented also a book, Building a Safer Future – Independent Review of Building Regulations and Fire Safety: Interim Report.

On the 14 of June has passed 1 year from the fire.

27. Report Indoor Fire

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28. Report Fire Russia

Don Bliss presented report about Winter Cherry Mall Fire in Russia - beginning and cause of fire, rescuing, faults, Russian fire problems...

Dr. Aleš Jug added that Fire Prevention Commission was helping Russian members with this situation. They worked on two items, evacuation related to kids and development standard how to educate staff, who work in place where children are and how to help them to evacuate.

29. Suggestions to and from the chairmen of the National Committees

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30. Miscellaneous

No other issues were presented.

31. Closing Delegates Assembly

President Tore Eriksson thanked the organizer, NFPA and the translators.

The meeting closed at 16:00.

Minute taker:
Neza Strmole

President of CTIF
Tore Eriksson