World Tenpin Bowling Association
WTBA Congress  December 15-16, 2015
Registration will start at 12.00
Congress will be called to order at 13.00 on December 15, 2015

Agenda

1. Open the meeting.
2. Appointment of Chairman and Secretary of the meeting
3. Roll call, validation of proxies and determination of voting rights.
4. Adoption of minutes of the previous Congress
5. Report of WTBA President and Secretary General
6. Committee reports
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   15.2 WTBA 1st Vice President for a term of four years
   15.3 WTBA 2nd Vice President for a term of four years
16. Close the meeting.
1. Open the meeting
The WTBA President, Kevin Dornberger, welcomed everyone to WTBA Congress. Kevin Dornberger declared the WTBA Congress 2013 opened.

Kevin Dornberger announced

A silent minute was held for John Davis, Roland Mueck, Eduardo Merchandet and Ernest Lopa, who have passed away since last Congress.

2. Appointment of Chairman and Secretary of the meeting
As per the Constitution the WTBA President is chairman of the meeting. The WTBA Secretary General, Christer Jonsson, was appointed secretary of the meeting.

As scrutiners of proxies, together with the Secretary General, and to count votes were appointed Marti Koedijk, Netherlands and Hazel McLeary, Canada.

3. Roll call, validation of proxies and determination of voting rights
Secretary General Christer Jonsson performed the roll call. There were delegates from 31 federations attending the Congress.

19 proxies were validated and accepted, and the total vote count was 50 out of 112 member federations eligible to vote. According to the Statutes a quorum consists of one-third of the member federations eligible to vote including proxies, and accordingly there was a quorum. One proxy from Malta was ruled invalid.

The list of delegates and proxies is shown in Appendix 1

4. Adoption of minutes of the previous Congress
The minutes of the WTBA Congress in 2011 had been circulated to all member federations 16 October 2011, and were also included in the document package distributed to this Congress.

There was no discussion. Norway motioned the minutes to be approved, seconded by Canada. The minutes were adopted as presented.

5. John Davis Memorial Award
The two first recipients of John Davis memorial Award were presented
- Kauko Ahström, Finland
- Jack Reichert, USA

The awards were handed over to representatives for the recipients by John Davis’ son Jonathan Davis and Kegel’s President Chris Chartrand.

6. Report of WTBA President and Secretary General
The WTBA President’s report had been circulated to all member federations before the Congress.

WTBA President and Lars Pedersen, TSE Consulting presented the new trade mark and logo for bowling world wide – World Bowling.

The Secretary General’s report had been circulated to all member federations in due time before the Congress.

There were no questions or comments.

The reports were accepted as presented and put on file.
7. Committee reports

7.1 Competition Committee

The report had been circulated to all member federations in due time before the Congress.

There were no questions.
The report was accepted as presented and put on file.

7.2 Technical Committee

The report had been circulated to all member federations in due time before the Congress.

Technical Committee chairman Neil Stremmel reported from the ongoing work of Potential Specifications for Elite Level Competition.

The report was accepted as presented and put on file.

8. Reports of Presidents of the Zones

8.1 Pan American Confederation

The report had been circulated to all member federations before the Congress.

There were no questions.
The report was accepted as presented and put on file.

8.2 Asian Bowling Federation

The report had been circulated to all member federations in due time before the Congress.

There were no questions.
The report was accepted as presented and put on file.

8.3 European Tenpin Bowling Federation

The report had been circulated to all member federations in due time before the Congress.

There were no questions.
The report was accepted as presented and put on file.

9. Unfinished business

There was no unfinished business

10. Presentation of Financial report and Auditors’ report

Financial reports for the fiscal years 2011 and 2012 had been circulated.

Auditor Marti Koedijk presented the Auditors’ report to the Congress. See appendix 2

The Auditors report were approved.
11. Approval of Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss Statement and Auditors Report

As reported in the Auditors’ report the auditing of 2011 and 2012 have not been finalized. Because of that the Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss statements for 2011 and 2012 could not be approved during the Congress. A final report will be sent by the auditors as soon as possible.

12. Release of Executive Board

As a consequence agenda item 10 and 11 no decision of Release of Executive Board could be taken now.

13. World Championships

13.1 2014 World Men Championships

Kevin Dornberger informed WWC 2014 is scheduled for Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates. Preliminary dates 8 – 19 November 2014. Definite dates will be announced within a few weeks.

13.2 2015 World Women Championships

Kevin Dornberger informed WWC 2015 is scheduled for Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, 17 – 28 November 2015.

13.3 2014 World Youth Championships

Kevin Dornberger informed WYC 2014 is scheduled for Hong Kong, 6 - 15 August 2014.

13.4 2015 World Senior Championships

Kevin Dornberger informed WSrC 2015 is scheduled for Sam’s Town, Las Vegas, Nevada, USA. Preliminary period is July – mid August 2015.

13.5 2016 World Single Championships

Kevin Dornberger informed WSC 2016 is scheduled for Doha, Qatar. Dates to be negotiated.

13.6 2016 World Youth Championships

Kevin Dornberger informed WYC 2016 is scheduled for Lincoln, Nebraska, USA. Preliminary period – 2nd week of July 2016.

14. Legislative session

During the Legislative session an electronic voting system was used which means we have the voting results in numbers for all agenda items.

14.1 Statutes

14.1.1 Rule 1.2.5

Current rule 1.2.5

To recognize the authority of the Olympic movement and to support and adhere to the fundamental principles, rules and by-laws of the International Olympic Committee

Executive Board proposed the following new rule 1.2.5

To recognize the authority of the Olympic movement and to support and adhere to the fundamental principles, rules, by-laws and the Code of Ethics of the International Olympic Committee

The proposal was approved with 49 votes in favour and 1 abstention.
14.1.2  Rule 1.4.2 - Removal of proxies at Congresses

The current rules concerning proxies are as follows:

Article 1.4.2:

To take part in the WTBA Congress in accordance with the stipulations, propose a motion and make election proposals. Each member federation has one vote at the WTBA Congress. The vote may be transferred by proxy to another member federation, but only one proxy vote may be assigned to a member organization.

Article 1.6.5:

A member federation which cannot be represented at the Congress may give its proxy to another federation. Each federation shall be eligible to vote only one proxy. In all cases, the written proxy authority must be submitted to the President or Secretary General in the presence of the Congress for validation before the proxy can be exercised. Such proxy must be submitted in writing to WTBA President or Secretary General, no less than eight (8) days before start of the Congress, stating the name of the country to which the vote is to be transferred and signed by an authorized officer of the federation. In cases of emergency a proxy may be accepted by the vote of the Congress.

Article 1.6.7:

A quorum shall be one-third (1/3) of member federations including proxy votes.

Article 1.6.17.c:

Roll call, validation of proxies and determination of voting rights; validation of proxy will be by the scrutineers.

ETBF had proposed removal of proxies at WTBA Congress (rule 1.4.2) and because of that as consequence changes also of rule 1.6.5; 1.6.7 and 1.6.17 c.

The original proposal had been discussed by Executive Board and a revised proposal was presented as follows:

Rule 1.6.5:

A member federation which cannot be represented at the Congress may give its proxy to another federation. Each federation shall be eligible to vote only one proxy. In all cases, the written proxy authority must be submitted on federation letterhead; signed by the President, Secretary General or CEO of the federation; and be sent to the President or Secretary General in the presence of the Congress for validation before the proxy can be exercised. Such proxy must be submitted in writing to WTBA President or Secretary General, no less than eight (8) days before start of the Congress, stating the name of the country to which the vote is to be transferred and signed by an authorized officer of the federation.

The revised proposal was approved with 42 votes in favour, 7 against and 1 abstention.

14.1.3  Rule 1.5.7 The rights of the Zones

Current rule 1.5.7:

The rights of the Zones

a) To prescribe fees to help finance their activities as authorized by their Congress

b) Establish special rules for their activities provided they are not contrary to FIQ or WTBA regulations

Executive Board proposed to add two new paragraphs to rule 1.5.7:

b) To suspend member federations, which have failed to pay any prescribed fee in due time. Such suspension shall be immediately revoked when the arrears have been fully paid including eventual fines.

c) To recommend the FIQ to terminate the membership of a member federation, which has failed to settle all arrears within one year.

The proposal was approved with 42 votes in favour and 8 against.

Current 1.5.7 b to be renumbered as 1.5.7 d.
14.1.4 Rule 1.11.2 Suspension federation
Current rule 1.11.2

A federation which is in arrears with membership fee payments over 30 days from 31 March due date shall, after due notice by email, fax or registered mail with return receipt, be suspended. For reinstatement of membership rights, there will be annually a 20% fine on payments in arrears. On receipt of all arrears, the FIQ Executive Board will authorize renewed membership.

As a consequence of the proposed and decided change of rule 1.5.7 Executive Board also proposed the following change of rule 1.11.2

Executive Board proposed a new rule 1.11.2

The Zone, to which the member federation belongs, has the right to decide about such suspension. In order for such a suspension to be revoked and for restoring the membership rights, there will be annually a 20% fine on payments in arrears. On receipt of all arrears, the respective Zone will revoke the suspension. If after one year the arrears have not been fully paid, this shall be recommended to the FIQ Executive Board that will decide on termination of the member federation’s membership.

The proposal was approved with 45 votes in favour and 5 against.

14.1.5 Rule 17.1 Athletes’ representative in Executive Board
Current rule

1.7.1 The Executive Board shall be the executive and management body of WTBA. It shall consist of 9 persons as follows
a) The President
b) The First Vice President, who shall also serve as a member of the FIQ Executive Board
c) The Second Vice President
d) The President from each of the three Zones who shall each also serve as a member of the FIQ Executive Board. Each Zone shall designate an alternate to serve if it’s President cannot attend
e) One Delegate from each of the three Zones. Each Zone shall designate an alternate to serve if it’s Delegate cannot attend

Executive Board proposed the following new rule 1.7.1

1.7.1 The Executive Board shall be the executive and management body of WTBA. It shall consist of 10 persons as follows
a) The President
b) The First Vice President, who shall also serve as a member of the FIQ Executive Board
c) The Second Vice President
d) The President from each of the three Zones who shall each also serve as a member of the FIQ Executive Board. Each Zone shall designate an alternate to serve if it’s President cannot attend
e) One Delegate from each of the three Zones. Each Zone shall designate an alternate to serve if it’s Delegate cannot attend
f) One representative for the athletes, elected in conjunction with World Championships for men and women. The election procedure shall be as follows:
   i) Every federation participating at the WC will have one vote each, each gender being entitled to a vote. The vote will be cast by the captain or another nominated player from that federation.
   ii) Voting will take place once every 4 years (to coincide with the Combined World Championships), commencing in 2013. The vote will occur during the World Championships.
   iii) A majority vote will secure the selection of the athlete Delegate to the WTBA Executive Board, who will have such Delegate privileges for a period of 4 years.
iv) If the Delegate is unable to attend any Executive Board functions, or otherwise perform his/her duties, the athlete with the 2nd highest vote total from World Championships will be called to replace the position, or act as alternate delegate, until the next election.

v) To nominate a candidate for athlete Delegate, a submission from the candidate’s federation must be made at least 30 days prior to the start of the World Championships and sent by email to the Chairman of the Athletes Committee. It is highly recommended that a resume, maximum 2 pages, be submitted as well. Any federation can submit a candidate whether or not that federation is competing at the World Championships. For the 2013 WC only, nominations may be made from the floor.

The proposal was approved with 44 votes in favour, 4 against and 2 abstentions.

14.1.6 Rule 1.8.9 – Committee member at Executive Board meetings
Current rule:
WTBA committee members may be invited by the WTBA President to attend the meeting and shall be entitled to voice but no vote

Executive Board proposed the following new rule
WTBA committee members may be invited by the WTBA President to attend the meeting or any portion thereof and shall be entitled to voice but no vote

The proposal was approved with 42 votes in favour and 8 against.

14.1.7 Rule 1.9.1 and 1.9.2 – Term of office
Current rule 1.9.1
The term of Office of the President, First Vice President and Second Vice President shall commence 30 days after their election, and shall continue until 30 days after the 2nd biennial Congress following their election (a term of about four years)

Current rule 1.9.2
The term of office for the Secretary General shall commence 30 days after the confirmation of the Executive Board and shall continue until 30 days after the 2nd biennial Congress following his appointment.

Executive Board proposed the following new rules

Rule 1.9.1
The term of Office of the President, First Vice President and Second Vice President shall commence immediately after their election at WTBA Congress and shall continue until after the 2nd biennial Congress following their election (a term of about four years).
All officers can be re-elected after that period.

Rule 1.9.2
The term of office for the Secretary General shall commence immediately after the confirmation of the Executive Board and shall continue until after the 2nd biennial Congress following his appointment.

The proposal was approved with 43 votes in favour and 7 against.
14.1.8  Rule 1.9.3 and 1.9.4 – appointment committees

Current rule 1.9.3

The term of office for Committee Chairmen, Committee Members and other appointees shall commence at the time specified at the appointment and shall continue until otherwise directed by the President and confirmed by the Executive Board.

Current rule 1.9.4.c

In consultation with the Executive Board he shall appoint the committees and/or any other appointees he deems necessary.

ETBF had proposed procedures concerning compositions of WTBA Committees.

The original proposal had been discussed by Executive Board and a revised proposal was presented as follows:

1.9.3
The term of office for Committee Chairmen, Committee Members and other appointees shall commence at the time specified at the appointment and shall continue until otherwise directed by the President and approved by majority vote of the Executive Board.

1.9.4 Duties of the President

c) He shall appoint the committees and/or any other appointees he deems necessary upon approval by majority vote of the Executive Board. In the event that any committee is not approved by the Board, then the Board members may propose additions and/or deletions to that committee, which as revised must receive majority vote of the board to be approved.

The revised proposal was approved with 45 votes in favour, 4 against and 1 abstention.

14.1.9  New Rule 1.9.4 e – Contracts and agreements

ETBF had proposed procedures concerning external contracts and agreements but the proposal was withdrawn by ETBF.

14.1.10 Rules 1.11.3; 1.11.4 and 1.6.17o - Election auditors

Current rules

1.11.3 The Executive Board is responsible for an audit to be performed before a Congress and that an Auditor's report is presented. All fiscal transactions shall be audited by qualified person(s). The options are to use auditors elected by the Congress, or to hire a certified auditor. Their expenses when on duty for the audit will be paid by WTBA.

1.11.4 The Congress shall elect two qualified Auditors and one Alternate for a term of two years.

1.6.17 o Elections (where applicable)
- President
- First Vice President
- Second Vice President
- Two Auditors and one alternate

The WTBA Executive Board believes that the use of an elected auditor for financial purposes is an outdated model, and has determined that annual financial audits shall be conducted by an independent certifies auditor. Therefore, the EB proposed the following:

1.11.3 The Executive Board is responsible for an audit to be performed before a Congress and that an Auditor's report is presented. All fiscal transactions shall be audited by a certified auditor. Their expenses when on duty for the audit will be paid by WTBA.

Current 1.11.4 to be deleted
Consequently 1.6.17 o) to be

1.6.17 o Elections (where applicable)

- President
- First Vice President
- Second Vice President

It was proposed that the change will be effective immediately.

The proposal was approved with 33 votes in favour, 15 against and 2 abstentions. Effective immediately.

14.1.11 Rule 1.16.2 Betting (Bye Rule)
The following rule was approved by WTBA Executive Board as a By Rule with immediate effect in June 2012

1.16.2 A bowler or member of the team, such as coach or team manager, must not themselves nor through a representative, bet on a World Championships and/or WTBA approved tournaments where he/she participates. The sanction for violence against this rule may be up to two years suspension.

This Bye Rule was effective 22 June 2012.

The Executive Board proposed the Bye law to be approved.

The proposal was approved with 48 votes in favour, 1 against and 1 abstention.

The meeting was adjourned for lunch

After lunch a new roll call. 31 federations present with 19 proxies.

14.2 Chapter 2 – 6 Playing Rules

14.2.1 Frequency World Championships
ETBF has proposed ETBF change of the frequency of World Championships.
Kim Th Jensen, ETBF explained the background for the proposed change. The current cycle causes problem in organizing the zone championships. There have been discussions within Executive Board to find solutions.
Because no acceptable solution has been found now ETBF withdraw the proposal, but the problem still exists.

14.2.2 Rule 2.10.1 – Acceptable list of chemicals (Bye Rule)
At 2011 Congress it was decided to move rule 2.10.1 and 2.10.2 to Chapter 4.
It was a mistake to move rule 2.10.1 because it needs to be in Chapter 2 to be valid for all tournaments – not only for World Championships. The Executive Board had decided after 2011 Congress to keep 2.10.1 in Chapter 2 as a Bye Rule.

Rule 2.10.1
Any use of chemicals must be on the ‘Acceptable list” as listed on WTBA website; www.worldtenpinbowling.com. A full, up to date list of these products is available at WTBA website includes anything listed in the "Acceptable during certified competition" sections. It is not allowed to use anything listed in the "Products Containing Solids or Abrasives" section nor anything listed in the "Not acceptable at any time” sections. The ball must be wiped clean after any adjustments
This Bye Rule 2.10.1 was effective 27 January 2012.

The Executive Board proposed the Bye Rule to be approved

The proposal was approved with 46 votes in favour and 4 against.

14.2.3 Rule 4.10.1, 4.10.2 and 4.11.2 – Altering surface
WTBA Executive Board had proposed changes in rule 4.10.1, 4.10.2 and 4.11.2 based on recommendations by WTBA Technical Committee. Later the Committee has proposed to withdraw the proposal. Because of that the Executive Board withdrew the proposal.

14.2.4 Rule 4.11.3 - Registration bowling balls
Current rule 4.11.3

4.11.3 Registration bowling balls
a) Each player will be permitted to register a maximum of 6 bowling balls during the tournament.
b) Immediately following the official practice (latest one hour after the last practice session) registration shall be made of the bowling balls to be used during the championship events.
c) Additions of maximum two bowling balls to the players’ bowling ball list shall be allowed (up to the maximum of 6) throughout the tournament.
d) Additions to a player’s bowling ball list shall be made no later than 1 hour prior to the start of the squad where the additional bowling ball(s) will be used.
e) In very special circumstances the Tournament Technical Committee may allow a replacement of a registered bowling ball.

WTBA Executive Board proposed the following new rule 4.11.3

4.11.3 Registration of bowling balls
a) Each player will be permitted to register a maximum of 6 bowling balls during the tournament.
b) Immediately following the official practice (latest one hour after the last practice session) registration shall be made of the bowling balls to be used during the championship events.
c) Additions of maximum two bowling balls to the players’ bowling ball list shall be allowed (up to the maximum of 6) throughout the tournament provided they pass rule 4.11.1 above.
d) In addition to the foregoing, a maximum of one ball previously registered may be removed from play during the Championships, and replaced by another ball not previously registered, upon notice to the Technical Delegate. Once this exchange process occurs the ball removed may not be returned to play.
e) Additions to a player’s bowling ball list shall be made no later than 1 hour prior to the start of the squad where the additional bowling ball(s) will be used.
f) In very special circumstances the Tournament Technical Committee may allow a replacement of a registered bowling ball.

The proposal was approved with 35 votes in favour and 15 against.

14.2.5 Rule 4.6.7 – Lane Map Guide (Bye Rule)
The following new rule 4.6.7 was approved as a By Rule with immediate effect June 2012

4.6.7 Whenever it is available and after agreement with the proprietor a LaneMap Guide will be published on championship website.

This Bye Rule was effective 22 June 2012.

The Executive Board proposed the Bye law to be approved.

The proposal was approved with 44 votes in favour, 4 against and 2 abstentions.
14.2.6 Rule 4.16 and 4.17 – Smoking and drinking (Bye Rule)

Current rule 4.16

4.16 Smoking and drinking

4.16.1 The players must not use tobacco products, consume alcohol or be under the influence of alcohol while in competition; i.e. during the entire period of a block of games. In those instances where it is established that a player is in breach of this rule, he may be suspended by the Tournament Technical Committee from the tournament for the block of games then being played.

4.16.2 Non-alcoholic beverages are allowed provided they are not consumed in the player’s area.

4.16.3 During the championships alcoholic beverages may not be served or consumed in the player’s area.

4.16.4 During championships smoking is not permitted in the bowling centre. However, it may be allowed in a closed area, provided it does not affect the environment in the player’s and spectator’s areas.

4.16.5 If a bowler is caught smoking during a game he will have zero pinfall for the game currently being played. If a bowler is caught smoking in between games, he will have zero pinfall for the succeeding game.

Because there is inconsistency between rule 4.16.1 and 4.16.5 and also the need to separate the rules about smoking and drinking alcohol the Executive Board proposed the following changes.

The smoking rule should also include ruling about electronic cigarettes and officials accredited to be in the players’ area.

WTBA Executive Board proposed the following new rules 4.16 and 4.17

4.16 Using alcohol

4.16.1 Players must not consume alcohol or be under the influence of alcohol while in competition; i.e. during the entire period of a block of games.

4.16.2 In those instances where it is established that a player is in breach of this rule, he may be suspended by the Tournament Technical Committee from the tournament for the block of games then being played.

4.17: Smoking and using tobacco products

4.17.1 During championships smoking is not permitted in the bowling centre. However, it may be allowed in a closed area, provided it does not affect the environment in the player’s and spectator’s areas.

4.17.2 Players must not smoke, use tobacco products or use any kind of synthetic cigarettes or e-cigarettes while in competition; i.e. during the entire period of a block of games.

4.17.3 If a bowler is caught smoking during a game he will have zero pinfall for the game currently being played. If a bowler is caught smoking in between games, he will have zero pinfall for the succeeding game.

4.17.4 For the second offence by the same player, the player will be excluded from the rest of the championship by the Tournament Technical Committee.

Neil Stremmel, USA proposed to include “coaches” in 4.16.6. Seconded by Costa Rica.

The amendment to include “coach” to the definition and the penalty to lose of entire game was not approved. The voting result was 21 in favor of the amendment, 27 against and 2 abstentions.
Ulf Sjöblom, Sweden proposed to separate the two issues (seconded by Venezuela)
- Adding the coach to the definition who are not allowed to smoke
- The penalty for catching a coach smoking

It was approved to separate the two issues with 39 votes in favour, 9 against and 2 abstentions.

The first amendment to the proposal to include coach to the definition who are not allowed to smoke was approved with 41 votes in favour and 9 against.

As penalty for a coach caught smoking the following was amended to the original proposal
1. The first penalty is “Suspension from the block of games when he violated the rule”
2. In case of a second violation suspension from the rest of the Championship

The amended penalty was approved with 46 votes in favour, 2 against and 2 abstentions.

The original proposal by the Executive Board with the two approved amendments was approved with 46 votes in favour, 1 against and 3 abstentions.

14.2.7 Rule 5.2.2 - Eligibility/Qualification (Bye Rule)
The following new rule 5.2.2 d-e was approved as By Rule to be effective in June 2012

Former rule 5.2.2 d-e said
  d) Each Zone decides if they want to replace a withdrawn team/federation from their Zone
  e) A withdrawn team/federation cannot be replaced by a team/federation from another zone

Former 5.2.2 d-e were replaced by the following 5.2.2 d and-e
  d) Two deadlines will be defined by WTBA
     ii) for each Zone to present to WTBA the standing of zone qualification of teams/federations
     iii) a final date for invitation of teams/federations
  e) WTBA invites the federations according to the qualification rules above following the standing in each zone qualification. If there are any vacant spots the WTBA may fill these vacancies for one zone by team(s) from any zone

Ulf Sjöblom, Sweden proposed a three months deadline, but no one seconded the proposal, so it was not discussed.

This Bye Rule was effective 22 June 2012.

The Executive Board proposed the Bye law to be approved.

The proposal was approved with 39 votes in favour and 11 against.

14.2.8 All Events – All Team Around medals
WTBA Executive Board proposed that All Events medals will be replaced by a Team All Around medal in WC, WMC, WWC WYC and WSrC.

The detailed calculation system for the proposed Team All Around medals to be decided by WTBA Executive Board after a positive decision at the Congress.

The calculation system will be based on
- The total number of participants
- All participants’ performances will be included
- The total “points” awarded for each discipline (Single, Double, Trios, Team and Masters) will be as equal as possible
Sonja Jäine, Sweden proposed to split the proposal in two issues (seconded by Norway)
  - Removal of All Event medals
  - Introduce All Team Around medals

The proposal to split in two issues was approved by 42 votes in favor, 7 against and 1 abstention.

The proposal to remove All Event medals was rejected with 18 votes in favor, 31 against and 1 abstention.

The proposal to add Team All Around medals was rejected with 15 votes in favor, 34 against and 1 abstention.

14.2.9   Rule 5.8 - WSC format

Current Rule 5.8
5.8  Singles in WSC
5.8.1 Maximum two players of each gender per federation.
5.8.2 12 games per player, divided in 2 squads of 6 games.
5.8.3 Each game shall be played on a different pair of lanes.

WTBA Executive Board proposed the following new 5.8
5.8.1 Maximum two players of each gender per federation, which players may be scheduled for qualification purposes on the same pair of lanes in the discretion of the Tournament Director.
5.8.2 16 games per player, divided in 2 squads of 8 games.
5.8.3 Each game shall be played on a different pair of lanes if possible under the physical conditions of the host bowling center.

ETBF proposed 3 squads of 6 games instead of 2 squads of 8 games. Seconded by Norway.

The amendment to the Executive Board proposal to change to 3 squads of 6 games was approved with 41 votes in favor, 8 against and 1 abstention.

The revised WSC format was approved with 42 votes in favor and 8 against.

14.2.10   Rules 5.17.1 and 5.17.2 – Masters tie rules (Bye Rule)

As a consequence of the 2011 Congress decision to change the Master’s format, new tie rules had to be considered.

Executive Board decided in January 2013 By Rules for 5.17.1 and 5.17.2 with immediate effect. The same rules also effective for 6.13.1 and 6.13.2.

Former rule 5.17.1 and 5.17.2 said
5.17.1 The player or team with the highest score in each event of the championships shall be the winner.
5.17.2 In case a tie exists in the standings for any position in Singles, Doubles, Trios or Team event before the semi final the highest positioned will be the singles, doubles, trios or team with the highest last game. If a tie still exist the highest positioned will be the singles, doubles, trios or team with the highest second last game, then the singles, doubles, trios or team with the highest third last game etc.

5.17.3 In case a tie exists in the semi finals or finals a one ball roll off will be played, repeated until the tie is broken
In Doubles, Trios and Team all players will play.
The highest ranked player/team after the qualification will choose the order of play and the lane which the player/team starts to play. For a second roll off delivery the order of deliveries and the lane to play will be opposite to the first one etc.
5.17.4 If two or more players have the same total score after All Events the highest positioned will be
the player with the highest last game in the last discipline of All Events. If a tie still exist the
highest positioned will be the player with the highest second last game, then the player with the
highest third last game etc.
In case of tie for the medal positions in All Events there will be no tie-breaking for the medals.
The players will be declared co-winners

5.17.5 In case of a tie in any head to head match in the Masters Final the following tie rules will apply
a) In case of a tie in a game a one ball roll-off will be played, repeated until the tie is broken
b) The roll off delivery will be positioned on the lane where they played the game. The highest
ranked player after the qualification will choose the order of play. For a second roll off
delivery the order of deliveries will be opposite to the first one etc

Executive Board decided the following By Rule to be effective from 1 February 2013.

5.17.1 Ties for scores decisive for being qualified to the Masters, or ties in scores decisive for either
position 1 or 4 before Semi Finals in Singles, Doubles, Trios, Teams or Masters, will be broken
by allowing each player involved in the tie to play a one ball roll off on a full set of pins.

The team with the highest accumulated score will be the winner of the tie.

The lineup of both teams must be similar to the lineups in the last game of the event.

A draw will decide on which lane in the pair the rolloff will be played, and another draw will
decide which team shall start. When the rolloff includes more than one player, players of the
competing teams shall alternate after each shot.

In case of a further tie, the procedure will be repeated on the second lane of the pair and the
order of teams to start will be opposite to the first rolloff. This procedure will be repeated until
the tie is broken.

A warm up pair shall be provided for both teams involved. The warm up time shall be in the
discretion of the Tournament Director. Prior to the rolloff, each player involved will be allowed
one shot per lane on the lane pair in use.

5.17.2 Ties in Semi Finals or a Final will be broken by allowing each player involved in the tie to play a
one ball roll off on a full set of pins.

The team with the highest accumulated score will be the winner of the tie.

The lineup of both teams must be similar to the lineups in the game where the tie occurred.

The highest ranked player or team will decide on which of the lanes in the pair the rolloff will be
played and which of the teams will play the first shot. When the rolloff includes more than one
player, players from the competing teams shall alternate after each shot.

In case of a further tie, the procedure will be repeated on the second lane of the pair and the
order of teams to start will be opposite to the first rolloff. This procedure will be repeated until
the tie is broken.

5.17.3 In case of tie for the medal positions in All Events there will be no tie-breaking for the medals.
The players will be declared co-winners
5.17.6 In case of a tie in Step 3 or Step 4 of the Masters in WC, WMC or WWC, a one ball roll-off will be played, repeated until the tie is broken.

The highest positioned player, by the conclusion of Step 2, will choose the order of play and the lane, where both players are delivering their shots. For a second roll off delivery, the players will switch lane and order of deliveries. A third roll off delivery will be played like the first roll off delivery etc.

5.17.5 In case of a tie in any game in the Masters of WSC, a one ball roll-off will be played, repeated until the tie is broken.

The players will be positioned on the lanes, where they ended the game. The highest positioned player, by the conclusion of the qualification, will choose the order of play. For a second roll off delivery, the players will switch lanes and order of deliveries. A third roll off delivery will be played like the first roll off delivery etc.

The same changes affected rule 6.13.1 and 6.13.2

The Executive Board proposed the Bye laws to be approved.

The Bye Rule was approved with 42 votes in favor and 8 against.

14.2.11 Semifinals and finals in World Championships

Swedish Bowling Federation had proposed change of rules for Semi finals and finals in World Championships. They proposed a kind of bonus points to give some advantage to the top seeded players/teams after the qualification.

The proposal was rejected with 4 votes in favor and 46 against.

Kevin Dornberger expressed understanding for the principle to give some advantage to the top seeded players/teams. The issue will be referred to WTBA Competition Committee to consider a solution.

14.2.12 Age limit WYC

Norwegian Bowling Federation has proposed change of age limit for World Youth Championships

Current rule 6.1.3 a

Age limits
a) The players in WYC must not have reached the age of 21 years on 1st January of the year of the championships. Also see 4.9.5 a

Norwegian Bowling Federation proposes the following

Age limits
a) The players in WYC must not have reached the age of 23 years on 1st January of the year of the championships. Also see 4.9.5 a

The proposal was rejected with 25 votes in favour and 25 against.

There is an interest to have the same age limits in all Zone and World Championships and the intention is to find an agreement until next Congress in 2015.
15. New business
15.1 International Bowling Museum & Hall of Fame
Kevin Dornberger informed he is chairman in a committee which is working on creating an International Hall of Fame for bowling and if it is of interest all federations should be involved in that process.

16. Financial projections and establishment of dues
The Executive Board proposed no change in the membership dues.

No questions or comments.

17. Elections
17.1 Two Auditors and one alternate auditor for a term of two years
As a consequence of the decision in agenda item 14.1.10 this agenda item was removed.

18. Closing the meeting
Kevin Dornberger proposed a resolution from the Congress stating that the Congress authorises the World Bowling leadership to work actively for the inclusion of bowling in the next IOC round of short-listed sports for inclusion in the Olympic Games programme.
The proposed resolution was unanimously supported by the Congress.

2013 WTBA Congress was closed at 15.00 by Kevin Dornberger.

Minutes were prepared by: Christer Jonsson
WTBA Secretary General

Minutes were approved for circulation: Kevin Dornberger
WTBA President
Chairman of Congress
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AUDITOR’S REPORT

To the Congress of World Tenpin Bowling Association (WTBA).

As auditors it is our task to audit the financial statements, the accounts and the administration of the Executive Board for the years 2011 and 2012. These accounts and the administration of WTBA are the responsibility of the Executive Board. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statements and the administration based on our audit.

In 2011 both Cathey Innes of Canada and Marti Koedijk of the Netherlands were elected as auditors for 2011 and 2012. Unfortunately Cathey Innes was not able to come to Las Vegas to do the audit. So the substitute auditor, José Aguilar of Mexico took over her place.

We conducted the audit in accordance with Generally Accepted Auditing Standards in The Netherlands and Mexico. Those Standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and their application by the Executive Board, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of information in the financial statements. We examined significant decisions, actions taken and circumstances of the WTBA in order to be able to determine the possible liability to WTBA of any Executive Board member or whether they have in some other way acted in contravention of WTBA’s Act, the Annual Accounts Act or the Articles of Association.

From the year 2011 many things changed in WTBA. We got a CEO working for WTBA with an employment agreement. In this agreement it said that the CEO will report to the Executive Board. From 2011 there were more travelling expenses for different reasons. We as auditors have not examined the reasons nor the reports of these travels, only the expenses itself.

There was a discussion between the Executive Board and the auditors concerning an income received in 2011. This income was about the host fee in 2013 for the combined World Championship held in Sunset Station in Las Vegas in 2013. This tournament just finished. The total of the host fee would be paid in three parts, the first part in 2011, the second in 2012 and the last part in 2013. The first part of this host fee was booked as an income for 2011 and we as auditors thought it to be an advanced receivable for 2013. In our opinion an income for 2013 and not for 2011, because in 2013 were also the costs for this event. The executive Board said the income concerning the host fee was not needed to cover up the expenses for this event. The event should be self-supporting. Within a few weeks we will know if the event was self-supporting and if so there is no reason to book the income received for the host fee in 2011 as a pre receivable for the year 2013.

When we started auditing the year 2012 we noticed that it was possible to book in former years, although these years were already closed, audited and approved by the Congress. As we could not find out how many times this has happened and it would take a lot of more time to find out, we stopped the audit and discussed this with the Executive Board. Both the Executive Board and the auditors realised the impact for the Congress, because for the second time we, as auditors, will not have a comment about adopting the financials. This means we have to take more time and the Executive Board must find a way that all possible bookings made in former years will be booked only in 2011 and 2012. In due time, after the Executive Board found an solution, we will continue the audit and report to you when we have completed the audit.
We are sorry we have to make this move again.

Members of Congress of WTBA, as auditors we like to thank you for the trust you gave us during many years to be your auditor.
The Executive Board asks the members of Congress later on during this Congress to change the Statutes and if adopted there will no longer be auditors from the Congress to perform the audit anymore.
Up till now it is a commission of the Congress and after changing the statutes it is in the hands of the Executive Board.
An external accountant will take over this task and this accountant is and will be appointed by the Executive Board for now and in the future.
This accountant will report to the Executive Board and no longer to the Congress.
I hope members of the Congress of WTBA realize the impact.

Las Vegas, August 31, 2013

Marti Koedijk

José Aguilar
WTBA CONGRESS

Abu Dhabi – December 15, 2015

WTBA President’s Report for the period August 2013 to December 2015

1. World Championships. My sincere congratulations to the Emirates Bowling Federation, the Hong Kong Tenpin Bowling Congress, and Sam’s Town, our Tournament Directors and Technical Delegates, and bowling center staff for their superb management of the 2014 World Men Championships in Abu Dhabi, the 2014 World Youth Championships in Hong Kong, and the 2015 World Senior Championships in Las Vegas. While our new World Championships model is working well we need to continue to improve our events, particularly to the outside media and spectators. The World Women Championships will be contested December 5-14, 2015 in Abu Dhabi. Based upon the 2014 WMC I am convinced that the Emirates Bowling Federation will do an excellent job as host for the event, as well as the FIQ and WTBA Presidium and Congress meetings.

2. Olympic effort. You have previously received numerous pieces of correspondence from this office regarding our efforts to gain entry as a medal sport into the 2020 Tokyo Olympics. While we were successful in attaining Tokyo shortlist status along with 7 other sports, bowling was not recommended to the IOC for inclusion in the 2020 Games. While this was a great disappointment to all of us, we cannot forget two important facts: first, our current Olympic effort was focused on the 2024 IOC shortlist that is normally announced in late 2015 or early 2016, and the Tokyo opportunity was a bonus that did not exist until January of this year; and second, this is the first time that the sport of bowling has been on a shortlist.
We have to put our disappointment behind us and continue united in the long-term Olympic effort. We have work to accomplish in several key areas, including the image of our sport and our athletes; the perceived lack of youth appeal; and the presentation of our events to the outside world. You will be provided with a game plan for becoming involved in our joint efforts during this year's Congress. I would be remiss if I did not thank all those that have contributed to our Olympic effort, including the BPAA, USBC, Brunswick, Storm and Kegel for their efforts through the Friends of Bowling program; and Round One Corporation and the Japan Bowling Congress, for their substantial use of resources in pursuing the Tokyo 2020 opportunity.

3. World Bowling Tour. The 2015 World Bowling Tour consists of 20 event, including 5 in calendar year 2014 and 15 in 2015, as we have changed to a calendar year. and the WBT Finals presented by the PBA, Las Vegas, USA. Tremendous global interest has been generated by the WBT, particularly including the 2 hours of ESPN television coverage of the WBT Finals courtesy of our partner the PBA. PBA events were rebroadcast in 169 countries in 2014; this is exposure that would be impossible for us to obtain otherwise. My personal thanks to all of the event promoters, Brunswick and PBA, who see value in a true world tour. The Tour is an important element of our global image and integral to our continuing Olympic effort; I urge all of you to support the Tour in any manner you can.

4. FIQ final Reorganization proposal – World Bowling. I attended the 2015 Congresses of ABF and ETBF, as well as a meeting of PABCON, to explain the final Reorganization plan proposed by the WTBA Executive Board (unanimously), and the FIQ Presidium. The proposal has 3 significant effects: first, we will officially change the name of WTBA and FIQ to World Bowling, and that will become our legal name, rather than our current trade name; and in effect, FIQ and WTBA will merge. Second, we will clean up several loose ends in the current statutes. Third, the Executive Board structure will become the same as the current WTBA Executive Board, with WNBA/ninepin becoming a Committee of World Bowling, without voting rights and without any obligation to pay World Bowling dues.

WNBA has responded that they do not wish to become a Committee and don’t want any change in the current FIQ structure. While WTBA has some feeling for ninepin’s desire to remain a full partner in the World Bowling family, the WTBA Executive Board determined that the continued involvement of ninepin as a World Bowling Committee was the best compromise. WTBA remains open to
any other reasonable solution, however, any solution must resolve the continuing issues between ninepin and tenpin: first, the payment of dues in a timely and complete basis by ninepin; second, the accounting for dues on a timely and complete basis by ninepin; third, the continued involvement of ninepin voting on tenpin matters, despite a verbal agreement that this would discontinue, and sometimes against the tenpin opinion on the issue; and fourth, the allocation of the debt that has been created to WTBA on account of the legal fees and expenses incurred by FIQ in the two Catalonia CAS cases, which exceed $100,000 USD. FIQ does not have the financial ability to pay these bills, and as a result WTBA will be required to do so. Unless a better and complete solution is found before the Congress, the WTBA continues in its belief that the 2015 proposal is the best solution for the combining of FIQ, WTBA and WNBA into World Bowling.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kevin Dornberger, President
World Tenpin Bowling Association  
WTBA Congress 15-16 December 2015  
Agenda item 5.2 Secretary General report

The report covers the period September 2013 – 10 October 2015

Executive Board meetings
Three Executive Board meetings and five email meetings have been held during the reporting period.

In beginning October 2013 email meeting
Matters for discussion and decisions were
  – CEO agreement

In beginning November 2013 email meeting
Matters for discussion and decisions were
  – World Bowling trade mark and logo

27-28 February 2014 meeting in Doha, Qatar
Important matters for discussion and decisions were
  – World Bowling Tour rules
  – Preparations for championships bidding process

15 – 16 December 2014 meeting in Abu Dhabi, UAE
Important matters for discussion and decisions were
  – New World Games format
  – Rule changes ball registration
  – Rule change Gripping hole
  – Decisions about championship hosts 2017 – 2020
  – Update Anti-Doping rules

In January 2015 email meeting
Matters for discussion and decisions were
  – Changed nationality for player

In July 2015 email meeting
Matters for discussion and decisions were
  – Creating an Athlete’s Entourage Committee

4 – 5 August 2015 meeting in London, England
Important matters for discussion and decisions were
  – 2020 Olympic inclusion
  – New World Games format
  – Masters format
  – Semi finals and finals in championships
  – World Single Championship format
  – Re-organisation FIQ/WTBA
  – Proposals from Sweden

In beginning October 2015 email meeting
Matters for discussion and decisions were
  – Proposals for 2015 Congress
**Statutes and Playing Rules**

The WTBA Statutes and the WTBA Playing Rules were updated:
- January 2014 based on the decisions taken by the 2013 Congress
- January 2014 based on the Executive Board decisions
- 1 June 2015 based on Executive Board decisions (update rules to be effective June 1)

The updated issues have been distributed to all member federations and published on WTBA website. The latest update was 1 June 2015.

**Championships**

Since the World Championships 2013 we have worked in a Championships Administrative system, created by WTBA. In the system we handle registrations of players, result service and statistics.

I have been involved in all world championships since 2013 to manage the system before and during the event. We have during this period further developed the system which now also include online registration of bowling balls.

In most events we also have had live scoring on internet and live streaming.

Here follows the Results from World Championships during the period.

**WYC 2014**

13th World Youth Championship was conducted in Hong Kong 6 - 15 August 2014.
262 participants (96 girls and 166 boys) from 46 nations participated.
Tournament Director: Danny Santos, Philippines
Technical Delegate: John Janawicz, USA

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- Shion Izumune, Japan

#### Silver
- Kamron Doyle, USA
- Mary Wells, USA

#### Bronze
- Jesper Svensson, Sweden
- Lizabeth Kuhlkin, USA

### Masters

#### Gold
- Jesper Svensson, Sweden
- Mirai Ishimoto, Japan

#### Silver
- Wesley Low, USA
- Sanna Pasanen, Finland

#### Bronze
- Pontus Andersson, Sweden
- Jenny Wegner, Sweden
- Daria Kovalova, Ukraine

### WMC 2014

20th World Men Championship was conducted in Abu Dhabi, UAE 4 – 15 December 2014. 272 participants from 49 nations participated.

Tournament Director: Pekka Korpi, Finland
Technical Delegate: Marios Nicolaides, Cyprus

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- Denmark
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  - Carsten W Hansen
  - Tomas Larsen

#### Silver
- USA
  - Mike Fagan
  - Sean Rash
  - Marshall Kent

#### Bronze
- Australia
  - David Porto
  - Sam Cooley
  - Jason Belmonte
- Korea
  - Jongwoo Park
  - Haesol Hong
  - Kyungmin Kim

### Team

#### Gold
- Korea
  - Jongwoo Park
  - Bokeum Choi
  - Heewon Kang
  - Haesol Hong
  - Seunghyeon
  - Kyungmin Kim

#### Silver
- USA
  - Mike Fagan
  - Chris Barnes
  - Marshall Kent
  - Bill O'Neil
  - Sean Rash
  - Tommy Jones

#### Bronze
- Sweden
  - Robert Andersson
  - Martin Paulsson
  - Joachim Karlsson
  - Jesper Svensson
  - Martin Larsen
  - Daniel Fransson
- Australia
  - David Porto
  - Jayden Leming
  - Paul White
  - Brendan Meads
  - Sam Cooley
  - Jason Belmonte

### All Events

#### Gold
- Bokeum Choi, Korea

#### Silver
- Mike Fagan, USA

#### Bronze
- Dan MacLelland, Canada

### Masters

#### Gold
- Heewoon Kang, Korea

#### Silver
- Mike Fagan, USA

#### Bronze
- Bokeum Choi, Korea
  - Jongwoo Park, Korea
**WSrC 2015**

2nd World Senior Championship was conducted in Las Vegas, USA 6 - 15 August 2014. 206 participants (89 women and 117 men) from 33 nations participated.

Tournament Director: Martin Faba, Costa Rica

Technical Delegate: Marios Nicolaides, Cyprus

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Communication

Correspondence with member federations is mainly done by email. Because of that it is important that all member federations, as stated in WTBA Statues and Playing rules 1.4.5.h, inform about their current addresses. I am sad I have to repeat what has been said before, that too many federations do not answer the questionnaire where we try to get information about the members’ contact information and also other important information about all member federations.

Presently the WTBA has 109 member federations.

World Bowling/WTBA Newsletter

We have regularly sent out a World Bowling/WTBA Newsletter to all member federations and the Newsletters are also published on World Bowling website. World Bowling/WTBA Newsletters have been distributed the following dates:

- 25 September 2013
- 16 October 2013
- 22 December 2013
- 2 January 2014
- 8 February 2014
- 6 March 2014
- 5 April 2014
- 21 April 2015
- 24 April 2015
- 18 May 2014
- 1 July 2014
- 11 July 2014
- 17 August 2014
- 17 September 2014
- 13 October 2014
- 19 October 2014
- 17 November 2014
- 22 December 2014
- 2 January 2015
- 3 March 2015
- 4 April 2015
- 14 May 2015
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- 13 July 2015
- 14 August 2015
- 24 September 2015
- 25 September 2015
- 5 October 2015

Press releases

During this period more than 20 Press releases have been sent to media worldwide. Our distribution list consists of around 150 addresses. All Press releases are copied to all member federations. During 2015 administration of Press Releases have been moved to World Bowling office in Lausanne.

Thank you

After 12 years as your Secretary General I have no decided to retire from this position. It has been 12 interesting years where our sport has made a lot of progress, but we still have challenges to work on. I take this opportunity to thank all WTBA member federations for cooperation. I wish you and our sport a successful future.

Stockholm, Sweden 10 October 2015

Christer Jonsson
WTBA Secretary General
Competition Committee
Report to the Congress 2015

Members:
Danny Santos (chairman)
Pekka Korpi
Mike Seymour
Veronica Rajii
Bill Hoffman
Sergey Lissitsyn

The competition committee tackled the following:

1. **World Games**
The committee has a proposal to the congress for amending the format of the World Games. Among some of the more pertinent points of the proposal includes:
   a. Men and women are now in separate divisions. The previous format includes a mixed doubles format which is not favorable to some of the federations since not all federations have women bowlers.
   b. There are now a total of 4 gold medals (men singles, women singles, men doubles and women doubles) at stake. The previous format has 3 gold medals (men singles, women singles and mixed doubles).
   c. The format of the world games is in the proposal for congress.

2. **Stepladder format in Championships**
   a. The proposal is to retain the semi-finals and finals for each event.
   b. For the Doubles, Trios and Team, they will bowl Baker’s Format best of 3 games.

3. **World Singles Championships**
The committee has a proposal for the format of the World Singles Championships. This is to make the championships more exciting and has a similar format to football where bowlers will be divided into 4 groups. The detailed format is in the proposal.

4. **World Championships All events and Masters**
The committee is proposing a new masters format.
   a. The all-events will be the same.
   b. Pinfalls are dropped after all-events.
c. The top 24 bowlers will proceed to the Masters finals where they will retain their original seeding
d. Bowlers seeded 9 – 24 will bowl head to head best of 3 games
e. Bowlers seeded 1 – 8 will meet the winners of the previous step. This will at least give the bowlers seeded 1 – 8 a bye in on step
f. The match continues until finals.
g. The details of the format are in the proposal

Dr. Danny Santos
Chairman
Competition Committee
WTBA Technical Committee Report to Congress

December, 2015

The committee consists of Marios Nicolaides, Gus Falgien, Kim Eui Young, Chris Barnes and Neil Stremmel (Chair). Over the past year we have met via skype on multiple occasions. A portion of the team has been able to sit down from time-to-time based on events and travel schedule. A list of discussion items, recent recommendations as well as current recommendations from the committee include;

WTBA Recent Rule Changes

1. Recently changes to the registration of bowling balls has changed to allow a bowler to exchange one ball as desired, perform a visual inspection of the static weight and a clarification on modifying a ball during competition.

2. Also a clarification/change to the balance hole(s) of a bowling ball has been changed. If a hole in a ball is not used as a gripping hole it is therefore a balance hole and each ball is only allowed one balance hole.

Patterns

Most of the 12 patterns in the 3 banks are being adjusted and tested during the remainder of 2015. They will be introduced January 1, 2016. A couple will be completely eliminated and replaced while others are being modified so that they can be used as tweaks off of each other and/or allow for better selections to balance scoring pace between pattern banks.

Recommended Rule Changes

1. The announcement of the pattern bank(s) shall be a minimum of 90 days (up from 60 days).

2. While not an official rule change, the Technical Committee recommends that a full lane mapping be incorporated into the contract with the host centers.

Discussion Items

We were asked our opinion regarding the use of 1 pattern at Championship events. Please see our comments below starting with item #1. Conclusion – It is doable but there are risks and costs. If the WTBA Congress decides to move to one pattern we would then also recommend that the pattern banks be split in 2 (we have the patterns set up to do so), with shorter (patterns of distance in the 30’s) and longer (patterns of distance in the 40’s).

1. Technical Committee discussion on going to one pattern…
   a. Concern is this will bring us back to the issues of “The pattern” from the past.
b. When it was one pattern it allowed for a small group of people to lead/lap the field = lefties, spinners, deep, straight, etc… The winner became the one who matched up – not someone who was respected as the winner.

c. When it was one pattern if someone couldn’t “hit” that pattern, it was the pattern or the laneman, etc. But if you cannot “hit” either pattern, you have to look at yourself and your ability. 2 patterns has greatly reduced the amount of complaints about the pattern – as well as the discussion that the overall winner was just someone who matched up, not the best bowler. 2 patterns brings back the respect and legitimacy of the event.

d. It can be done with 1 pattern, but every TD and laneman must know “they can’t miss!” If you miss on the one and only pattern, the discussion will be all about the pattern. If you miss on 1 of the 2 patterns, while still bad, the discussion is still about the competition and doesn’t focus on the patterns. Extra time and effort (and therefore, money) prior to each event would be recommended in order to make sure no one ever “misses.”

e. When the stakes are high, you don’t want the environment to favor one bowler over another. Whether it’s 1x per year or once every 4 years, 2 patterns gives more fairness.

f. Is this just about making the event smoother from a logistics standpoint?

g. We agree that the use of one pattern is doable, will smooth out some logistics of the events and can be made fair. We just have the above concerns in assuring this is accomplished.

The committee is truly a group of volunteers that are dedicated to the sport and have worked hard on these items over the past few years. We will continue to focus on what we have been charged to do and further develop programs, rules and data that can be used by all.

Yours in sport,

Neil Stremmel
WTBA TC Chair
President Report

The 4th Asian Indoor & Martial Arts Games was held in Incheon, Korea from June 29 – July 6, 2013. There were 3 events for both the Men and Women Division respectively, namely Singles, Doubles and Team of 4. The Bowling Competition was held in the same venue as for the 2014 Asian Games. 20 NOCs sent their bowling teams to the Games.

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The Bowling Competition of the World Games was held in Cali from August 1 – 4. Korean bowler Hwang Dongjun won the Bronze Medal in the Men Singles.

ABF has 12 Men and 12 Women Teams participating in the World Championships held in Henderson, Nevada, USA from August 18 – 30, 2013. ABF Federations that send both a Men Team and Women Team are Australia, Hong Kong, China; Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Macau, China; Malaysia, and Singapore. Bahrain, Kuwait, Thailand, and UAE send a Men Team while China, Chinese Taipei, New Zealand and Philippines send a Women Team.

The Korean Women Team’s performance was most outstanding pocketing 4 Gold, 2 Silver and 2 Bronze medals. Chinese Taipei won 1 Silver medal and both Malaysia and Japan won a Bronze medal respectively in the Women Division. In the Men Division, Korean Men Team grabbed 1 Gold, 2 Silver and 4 Bronze medals.

There were many complaints received by ABF from our member federations. There were much to be desired in the organization of the competition. The conditions of the lanes were far from satisfactory as there were no rectification of the lanes after lane inspection. There were practically no tournament officials to take care of the championships. There was definitely a big difference between this world championships and the organization of official championships in the Asian Zone.
Hong Kong hosted the 17th Asian Youth Tenpin Bowling Championships in September. 21 federations participated in the championships, which was held in SCAA Bowling Centre from September 7 – 14, 2013. The Step-ladder Finals for the Boys and Girls Division were held in the newly built training centre in the Hong Kong Sports Institute.

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China hosted the 6th East Asian Games in Tianjin in October. 7 out of 8 NOCs, China, Guam, Hong Kong, China; Japan, Korea, Macau, China; Mongolia and Chinese Taipei sent their bowling teams. The Korean Women and Men Team continued their dominance by bagging 11 out of the 12 Gold medals with Hong Kong Men Team’s Wu Siu Hong denying them of a clean sweep in the Men Masters event.

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### Year 2014

Due to heavy flooding in Jakarta in January 2013, Jaya Ancol Bowling Centre was also flooded. Subsequently, the Asian School Championships scheduled end of March was postponed to 9 – 16, February 2014. However, the age eligibility remained the same as for 2013. PBI also cancelled holding the leg of the WTBA WBT.
The 2013 ABF Tour – Tournament of Champions was held in Kuwait on March 16 and 17, 2014. The Winner of the Men Division is Surasak Manuwong of Thailand while the winner of the Women Division is Sharon Limansantosa of Indonesia.

Due to the political instability of Thailand in the early part of the year, the 23rd Asia Tenpin Bowling Championships scheduled to be held in Bangkok in May was postponed to be held in January, 2015.

Hong Kong Tenpin Bowling Congress hosted the 13th World Youth Championships from August 6 -15, 2014. Subvented by the Art and Sport Development Fund under the Home Affairs Bureau it was awarded the “M” Mark branding by the Major Sports Events Committee under the Sports Commission of the HKSAR Government. This championships was also given the “Brand Hong Kong” logo of Asia’s World City. HKTBC solicited a Title Sponsor with a sponsorship fee of HK$1 million. A $1 million back to back matching fund from the Major Sports Events Committee was given to HKTBC. Fringe activities to promote the championship to the Hong Kong community included fund raising for a charity organization, demonstration and clinics for the physically handicapped and intellectual disabled bowling athletes, secondary students and underprivileged youth and children. More than HK$ 1 million was spent on publicity and advertising of the event on bus, tram and taxi bodies, promotional TV advertisment in more than 2000 buses and on LED screen in the commercial areas as well as advertisement on newspapers, A one-hour delayed broadcast of the finals was shown on local TV. 166 boys, 96 girls and 120 team officials from 46 countries took part in this 13th edition of the World Youth Championships.

The championships was a great success. Everything was running smoothly and orderly and with proper protocol. I would like to congratulate Hong Kong Tenpin Bowling Congress for the dedication and commitment in organizing a championships of this magnitude.

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Officiating VIPs of the Opening Ceremony included IOC Member and President of the HKNOC, Legislative Councillor, Chairman of the Major Sports Event Committee and Assistant Director of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department.

In September, the 17th Asian Games was held in Incheon, Korea from September 19 to October 4. The bowling competition started with the official practice on September 20 and ended on October 2 with 177 players from 19 countries to battle for the glory of their countries. It was announced in the OCA General Assembly in Incheon that Indonesia would be the host for the 2018 Asian Games after Vietnam has withdrawn from hosting the Games in 2019.

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Since then a lot of effort has been put in lobbying for bowling to continue to be a medal sport in the 2018 Indonesia Asian Games. We are most appreciative that WTBA President Mr. Kevin Dornberger has also written to the NOC of Indonesia to include bowling into the Games.

Ms. Vivien Lau, Hon. Life President and Vice-President of the Hong Kong NOC was invited by OCA to attend the ANOC General Assembly as the representative of women delegate from OCA in Bangkok on November 6 - 8, 2014. During the General Assembly IOC made a presentation of the Olympic Agenda 2020. She came back with information which I think would be of interest to the Congress. There was a presentation of the IOC Olympic Agenda 2020 which was accepted at the IOC Session in December in Monaco. Some of the important recommendations were:

Recommendation 6

Cooperate closely with other sports event organizers:
1. The IOC and the International World Games Association (IWGA) to closely cooperate regarding the sports programme composition and their respective evaluations.
2. The IOC and the International Masters Games Association (IMGA) to study the possibility for Olympic Games host cities to benefit from an option to organize the Masters Games in the years following the Olympic Games.
3. The IOC to consider including a “sports lab” or sports initiation programmes as part of the Olympic Games or Youth Olympic Games to trigger youth involvement and benefit the host community.

Recommendation 9

Set a framework for the Olympic programme

Set limits for accreditations:
1. The IOC to limit the number of athletes, officials and events for the Games of the Olympiad to approximately:
   • 10,500 athletes
   • 5,000 accredited coaches and athletes’ support personnel
   • 310 events
2. The IOC to limit the number of athletes, officials and events for the Olympic Winter Games to approximately:
   • 2,900 athletes
   • 2,000 accredited coaches and athletes’ support personnel
   • 100 events
3. The IOC to study ways in which the overall number of other accreditations at the Olympic Games can be reduced.

Recommendation 10

Move from a sport-based to an event-based programme

1. Regular reviews of the programme to be based on events rather than sports, with the involvement of the International Federations, and with the following restrictions to be respected:
   • For the Games of the Olympiad: approximately 10,500 athletes, 5,000 accredited coaches and athletes’ support personnel, and 310 events,
• For the Winter Games, approximately 2,900 athletes, 2,000 accredited coaches and athletes’ support personnel, and 100 events.

2. The IOC Session to decide on the inclusion of any sport (IF) in the programme.
3. The IOC to allow the OCOGs to make a proposal for the inclusion of one or more additional events on the Olympic programme for that edition of the Olympic Games.

**Recommendation 27**

Comply with basic principles of good governance

All organization belonging to the Olympic Movement to accept and comply with the Basic Universal Principles of Good Governance of the Olympic and Sports Movement (“PGG”).

1. Such compliance to be monitored and evaluated. Supporting tools and processes can be provided by the IOC in order to help organizations become compliant with the principles of good governance, if necessary.
2. Organizations to be responsible for running self-evaluation on a regular basis. The IOC to be regularly informed of the results of the organizations’ self-evaluations. In the event of missing such information, the IOC to request such an evaluation at its discretion.
3. The “PGG” to be updated periodically, emphasizing the necessity for transparency, integrity and opposition to any form of corruption.

**Year 2015**

The 23rd ABF General Assembly was held in Bangkok on January 15, 2015 during the 23rd Asian Tenpin Bowling Championships which was held in Blu-O Rhythm & Bowl from January 15 – 26. Teams from 22 member federations participated in the championships. The Opening Ceremony was attended by Mrs. Kobkarn Suritasat Wattanavrangkul, Minister of Tourism and Sport of Thailand. After 10 days of keen competition, the medal tally was as follow:

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The 2014 ABF Tour – Tournament of Champions was held in Kuwait from March 16 – 17, 2015. Yousif Falah of Bahrain won his first TOC title in the Men Division. In the Women Division, Chan Shuk Han of Hong Kong picked up her third TOC title equaling the three wins set by Wendy Chai of Malaysia.

The 18th Asian Youth Tenpin Bowling Championships was held in Macau from March 22 – 31, 2015. It was participated by 15 member federations. After 8 days of competition, the medal tally was as follows:

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The South East Asian Games was held in Singapore in June, 2015. The Bowling Competition was held from June 8 – 14. Seven NOCs sent a bowling team to the Games. Medal Tally was as follows:

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As part of the Olympic Agenda 2020 reforms, Organizing Committees for the Olympic Games can make a proposal for the inclusion of one or more additional events on the Olympic programme for that edition of the Games. Thanks to the dedicated effort of Japan Bowling Congress under the able leadership of their President, Mr. Tsutomu Takebe, Tokyo 2020 has shortlisted eight International Federations for inclusion in 2020 – those governing baseball/softball; bowling; karate; roller sports; sport climbing; squash; surfing and wushu. Tokyo 2020 would make a decision on the event or events to be proposed to the IOC on September 28, 2015. A final decision would be made by the 129th IOC Session in Rio de Janeiro in August 2016.
World Bowling Tour Major event “Bowling World Open” was organized in Tokyo to promote bowling to be chosen into the final shortlist sports recommended by Tokyo 2020 Organizing Committee to the IOC. JBC invited players from all around the world to the tournament. Our heartfelt congratulations to young Joey Yeo of Singapore Bowling Federation who clinched the Women Division Title. Osku Palearmaa of Finland was the winner in the Men Division. Unfortunately bowling was not among the final 5 shortlisted sports that the Tokyo Olympic Organizing Committee has chosen to be recommended to the IOC as additional sports for the 2020 Tokyo Olympic Games.

In the third week of July, Hong Kong organized the 16th Asian School Tenpin Bowling Championships in SCAA Bowling Centre from July 25 – 31, 2015. A 3-days activities was organized to promote bowling to the Hong Kong community involving bowling athletes of the Paralympic and Special Olympic, students from secondary schools and ethnic minority students and children from charity organization as well as a fund-raising bowling competition for a Charity Organization. Hong Kong Tenpin Bowling Congress has invited the Malaysian Team to go to Hong Kong earlier to join these activities.

The Asian School Championships was participated by 19 boys teams and 14 girls team from 13 countries and territories. The country winner for boys was Japan and the country winner for girls was Korea. The overall country winner was Korea.

The 7th Men and 3rd Women Arab Team Championship was held in Bahrain in September and it was widely promoted by World Bowling focusing on West Asian women athletes in our quest to be shortlisted for the 2020 Tokyo Olympic Games.

Reported by

Sheikh Talal Mohd. Al Sabah
President
December 2015
REPORT FROM THE PRESIDENT OF
THE EUROPEAN TENPIN BOWLING FEDERATION

WTBA Congress, December 2015 in Abu Dhabi, UAE.

This is a progress report to the Congress of the World Tenpin Bowling Association (WTBA). The report covers the period from August 2013 till December 2015

1. Presidium meetings

The Presidium of the European Tenpin Bowling Federation consists at the moment of 6 persons. The duties and responsibilities in the Presidium are:

a. A.A.Th. Ophelders, President. Leadership and Finance.

b. K. Th. Jensen, Vice President. Website and Tournaments

c. R. Ashkenazi, Member. Technical affairs

d. S. Lisitsyn, Member. Tournament affairs and EBT Consultant

e. V. Gudbjartsson, Member. General Secretary, Tournament Affairs and EBT Consultant.

f. O. Gurkan, Member. Education committee.

Since August 2013 the Presidium met seven times. The meetings were handled in a very professional way and in a good atmosphere.

2. The Congress of the European Tenpin Bowling Federation

During the above mentioned period ETBF held two Congresses: on 20 October 2013 in Bratislava, Slovakia during the European Championships Cup and the second one on 2 June 2015 in Aalborg, Denmark.

The European Tenpin Bowling Federation has at the moment 47 member federations.

3. Championships conducted by ETBF

a. European Champions Cup. The ECC is held every year; national champions of the member federations meet. In 2013 it was hosted by Bratislava, Slovakia. In 2014 the Icelandic Bowling Federation was the host and San Marino was the host for the ECC 2015.
b. **European Championships.** The championships for WOMEN were held in 2014 in Berlin, Germany; the MEN travelled to Aalborg, Denmark in 2015.

c. **European Youth Championships** are held every year. In 2014 the championships were held in Odense, Denmark and in 2015 Leipzig, Germany was the host.

4. **International meetings (FIQ and WTBA)**

The Presidium of FIQ met once: on 15 December 2014 in Abu Dhabi, UAE


5. **European Bowling Tour**

The main task for the ETBF Tournament Committee is the flagship of tournament activities in Europe, The European Bowling Tour, which in 2016 will start its 17th season.

We have 4 tour categories in the tour:

EBT Platinum Tournaments with a minimum of 100.000 € in the prize fund

EBT Gold Tournaments with a minimum of 60.000 € in the prize fund

EBT Silver Tournaments with a minimum of 40.000 € in the prize fund

EBT Satellite Tournaments with a minimum of 20.000 € in the prize fund

19 tournaments were adopted in the EBT 2015, 16 tournaments were adopted in the EBT 2015 and 18 tournaments will be adopted in the EBT 2016.

The average number of players has been around 200 per stop since the beginning of the tour.

The total prize pool has in the 10 last years of the tour been between 900.000 and 1.100.000 Euros per year, with an average of 50.000 - 65.000 Euros per stop.

The final of the European Bowling Tour, the EBT Masters, was played in Tilburg in 2014 and in Madrid, Spain in 2015. In 2016 the EBT Masters will be played in San Marino.
6. Education

ETBF Educational Committee had an active year by hosting about 9 events and 3 new instructors joined our committee.

ETBF Level I, II and III Coaching programs were presented in Kuortane, Ankara, Teheran and trained 35 new coaches. Our Level III coaches trained 32 new Level I and II coaches. Our Level III program which is the highest coaching education program in Europe welcomed coaches from three continents (Europe, Asia and America).

ETBF introduced the first Advanced Coaching Camp for Coaches. The main topic of the camp was Championships Lane Play and Mental Game in the Championships. Six participants followed the theoretical presentations and also participated in interactive coaching with Kuortane Bowling High school students.

ETBF also introduced its first Ball Drilling and Pro-shop Management Program and Technical Certification Program in Kuortane, Finland. Our Ball Drilling program was followed by 11 students and Technical Certification Program is followed by 4 students. ETBF will also present the Technical Certification class in Scotland.

Our biennial iCoach | ETBF International Coaching Conference by Kegel was held for the third time in Kuortane Finland between 18-20 September and followed by 78 people from 27 countries.

Addie Ophelders

President European Tenpin Bowling Federation
Pan American Bowling Confederation

AMERICAN ZONE
PRESIDENTS REPORT
October 2013 – October 2015

WTBA / FIQ Congress
December 2015, Abu Dhabi, U.A.E.

The following short report should be used for the next WTBA / FIQ congress to be conducted in Abu Dhabi on December 2015

Elections
On October 19th, 2013 PABCON conducted a Congress in San Jose, Costa Rica with elections for the board for period 2013 to 2017 with following results:

President: Martin Faba / Costa Rica
1st Vice President: Jorge Franco / Colombia
2nd Vice President: Neil Stremmel / USA
Treasurer: William Rodriguez / Uruguay
1st Director: Catherine Innes / Canada
2nd Director: Jose Aguilar / Mexico
3rd Director: Agustin de Faria / Venezuela

From October 2013 till July 2015 the Executive Board have had 2 meetings and several meeting using the Internet.

Championships

We have organized following international events since October 2013:

3rd Senior and 1st super Senior Pabcon Championship – San Jose, Costa Rica
4th Senior and 2nd Super Senior Pabcon Championship – Cali, Colombia
3rd Female Pabcon Championship – Cali, Colombia
3rd Male Pabcon Championship – San Juan, Puerto Rico
16th Youth Pabcon Championship – Panama City, Panama
1st Pan American Sports Festival – Puebla, Mexico
Pan American Games – Toronto, Canada
Also, we have had fully recognized and sanctioned other Olympic cycle events such as:

South American Games (bowling) in Santiago, Chile
Central America and Caribbean Games (bowling) in Veracruz, Mexico

Seminars

Pabcon in cooperation with Pan American Sport Organization (Paso) and USBC conducted a Coaching Seminar in Cali, Colombia from October 4th to October 10th, 2014, in which several themes were developed, including:

- Bronze coach certification
- Mental game
- Physical game
- Ball drilling
- Lane patterns

We have also conducted a referee seminar in which we have recognized 5 new referees from south America that are fully prepared to work in any international event.

Economics

To this day we have 25 bowling federations or associations fully recognized by Pabcon and WTBA / FIQ and all of them are in good order with all fees up to date.

Legal constitution

Since my arrival as President of Pabcon, I noticed that the organization was not fully incorporated and was just a name on a paper. With cooperation from our 2nd Vice President Mr. Neil Stremmel we have proceed to Incorporate Pabcon as a legal entity and as a Non Profit Organization in Texas, U.S.A.

Meetings

We have been part and included as a recognized sport in Pan American Sport Organization (Olympic representative for the Americas) and with such rights have been part of 2 general assemblies with full rights. So we have full support and have been part of Pan Am Games and once again will be present in Lima, Peru on 2019.

Also, we have been present in all WTBA / FIQ EB meetings conducted till this day.

Calendar 2016

Attached is our calendar for 2016

Martin Faba
President
# CALENDARIO 2016

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WORLD TEN PIN BOWLING ASSOCIATION

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011 AND
DECEMBER 31, 2012

JOE CONNELL HIGGINS
P O BOX 121022
ARLINGTON, TX 76012
WORLD TEN PIN BOWLING ASSOCIATION
ARLINGTON, TEXAS

TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:


MANAGEMENT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PREPARATION AND FAIR PRESENTATION OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES GENERALLY ACCEPTED IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND FOR DESIGNING, IMPLEMENTING, AND MAINTAINING INTERNAL CONTROL RELEVANT TO THE PREPARATION AND FAIR PRESENTATION OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS. I HAVE FOUND THESE PRINCIPLES AND ITS INTERNAL CONTROL TO BE ACCEPTABLE.

MY RESPONSIBILITY IS TO CONDUCT THE AUDIT IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATEMENTS OF STANDARDS FOR ACCOUNTING AND AUDIT STANDARDS ISSUED BY THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC
ACCOUNTANTS. THOSE STANDARDS REQUIRE ME TO PERFORM PROCEDURES TO OBTAIN ASSURANCE THAT THERE ARE NO MATERIAL MODIFICATIONS THAT SHOULD BE MADE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

JOE CONNELL HIGGINS

OCTOBER 15, 2015
WORLD TEN PIN BOWLING ASSOCIATION  
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION  
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2012

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**Fund Balance**

| Unrestricted - As of January 1, 2012 | 148,573.08 |
| Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets    | (110,781.32) |
| Decrease - Prior Period Adjustment   | (13.67) |
| Unrestricted - As of December 31, 2012 | 37,778.09 |
| Total Liabilities and Fund Balance   | 100,313.57 |
World Ten Pin Bowling Association  
Statement of Financial Condition  
As of December 31, 2011

**Assets**

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Total Liabilities and Fund Balance: 166,121.48
## WORLD TEN PIN BOWLING ASSOCIATION
### STATEMENT OF NET CHANGES IN ASSETS
#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2012

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<p>| Net Change in Assets                  | (110,781.32) | (51,757.94) |</p>
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| LIABILITIES & EQUITY      |            |
| Liabilities               |            |
| **Current Liabilities**   |            |
| Accounts Payable          |            |
| Accounts Payable          | 48,588.07  |
| **Total Accounts Payable**| 48,588.07  |
| Other Current Liabilities |            |
| Payroll Liabilities       | -367.92    |
| **Total Other Current Liabilities** | -367.92 |
| **Total Current Liabilities** | 48,220.15 |
| **Total Liabilities**     | 48,220.15  |
| **Equity**                |            |
| Opening Balance Equity    | 267,370.40 |
| Retained Earnings         | -229,592.31|
| Net Income                | 78,754.94  |
| **Total Equity**          | 116,533.03 |
| **TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY** | 164,753.18 |
## Ordinary Income/Expense

### Income
- Congress Fees: 5,050.00
- Development Programs: 10,000.00
- Membership Dues: 117,920.00
- Miscellaneous Income: 6,781.20
- Tournament Approval Fees: 5,600.00
- WC Combined: 270,742.18
- WC Men: 129,752.50
- WC Senior: 74,932.80
- World Bowling Tour Event Fee: 58,708.16
- Total World Bowling Tour: 58,708.16
- World Games: 29,262.00
- Total Income: 708,748.84

### Gross Profit
708,748.84

## Expense

### Expense
- Audit and Accounting: 5,052.62
- Bank Service Charges: 10,330.36
- Committee/WG Meetings Competition: 100.40
- Technical Committee: 5,413.96
- Total Committee/WG Meetings: 5,514.36
- Congress: 9,861.12
- Consulting: 28,263.62
- Development Programs: 10,190.09
- Executive Board: 15,756.53
- Legal: 5,247.18
- Marketing and Promotion: 14,391.11
- Miscellaneous Expense: 750.00
- Payroll Expenses Employee: 24,064.98
- Payroll Expenses - Other: 119,235.13
- Total Payroll Expenses: 143,300.11
- President Office: 4,684.09
- President Travel: 12,878.23
- SG Stipend/office expense: 28,000.00
- WADA Compliance: 3,300.02
- WBT Finals Bonus Pool: 70,000.00
- Promotion and Marketing: 7,227.71
- Total WBT: 77,227.71
- Website: 4,966.00
- World Championship: 10,410.00
- World Combined Strike Gold: 10,612.59
- World Combined - Other: 148,836.74
- Total World Combined: 159,449.33
- Total Expense: 629,993.90

### Net Ordinary Income
78,754.94

### Net Income
78,754.94
### WTBA

**Balance Sheet**

As of December 31, 2014

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# WTBA
## Profit & Loss
### January through December 2014

### Ordinary Income/Expense

#### Income
- Membership Dues: $109,040.00
- Miscellaneous Income: $0.82
- Tournament Approval Fees: $5,700.00

#### WC Men
- Entry Fee - WMC: $96,525.00
- Other - WMC: $4,724.04
- WC Men - Other: $70,255.00

#### WC Women
- WC Women: $121,679.50

#### WC Youth
- Entry Fee - WYC: $19,100.00
- Other - WYC: $2,950.00

#### World Bowling Tour
- Event Fee: $55,000.00

### Total Income
- $484,974.36

### Gross Profit
- $484,974.36

### Expense

#### Audit and Accounting
- $303.34

#### Bank Service Charges
- $5,494.82

#### Committee/WG Meetings
- Appeals: $207.50
- Coaching: $7,408.96
- Olympic Development: $70.83
- Technical Committee: $114.24

#### Consulting
- $6,145.03

#### Executive Board
- $15,209.04

#### Friends of Bowling
- $0.00

#### Legal
- $17,088.51

#### Marketing and Promotion
- $5,362.46

#### Miscellaneous Expense
- $3,182.22

#### Payroll Expenses
- Employee: $3,866.80
- Payroll Expenses - Other: $126,871.68

#### Total Payroll Expenses
- $130,738.48

#### President Office
- $6,120.61

#### President Travel
- $18,842.24

#### SG Stipend/office expense
- $30,072.53

#### WBT
- Finals Bonus Pool: $70,000.00
- Promotion and Marketing: $6,105.53
- WBT - Other: $980.99

#### Total WBT
- $77,086.52

#### Website
- $369.99

#### World Championship
- $1,300.00

#### World Combined
- Management - WCC: $4,936.23

#### Total World Combined
- $4,936.23
### WTBA
#### Profit & Loss
January through December 2014

**Accrual Basis**

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WHEREAS, the Board of Directors (the “Board”) of the Company, after careful analysis and consideration of the Company’s mission and purposes and after examination of the available alternatives, has determined that the Merger is in the best interests of the Company.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Merger be, and it hereby is, authorized, adopted and approved;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Agreement and Plan of Merger, by and between the Company and FIQ, in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit A (the “Plan of Merger”), be, and it hereby is, authorized, adopted and approved;

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RESOLVED FURTHER, that upon approval of the Plan of Merger by the members of the Company, the officers of the Company be, and each of them individually hereby is, authorized to take such actions and execute such documents as any such officer deems necessary and appropriate to accomplish the intent and purpose of these resolutions, including without limitation executing the Plan of Merger (with such changes and modifications thereto as the officer executing the same on behalf of the Company shall approve, such approval to be conclusively evidenced by the execution and delivery thereof), causing to be prepared a Certificate of Merger and the execution, delivery and filing of the Certificate of Merger with the Secretary of State of the State of Texas; and

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World Championship pattern categories

Current Rule 4.6.2

4.6.2 In conjunction with the inspection of the lanes the WTBA Technical Delegate shall take into account lane wear and topography while testing and selecting the lane dressing patterns to be used during the championships.

a) In WWC, WMC, WC and WYC two lane conditions shall be selected with two distinct styles from two of the three oiling pattern categories. A bank of patterns shall be available to the Technical Delegate by the Technical Committee Chairperson. The bank shall consist of 3-4 patterns in each of 3 oiling pattern categories - Short (33'-36'), Medium (37'-41') and Long (42'-47'). The categories selected shall be announced at least 2 months in advance of the tournament.

Executive Board proposes the following new rule 4.6.2

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Lane mapping

Current Rule 4.5.3

4.5.3  An agreement shall be signed by the bowling centre management to correct eventual discrepancies by a date prior to the start of the championships as determined by WTBA.

Executive Board proposes the following new rule 4.5.3 a

4.5.3  An agreement shall be signed by the bowling centre management to correct eventual discrepancies by a date prior to the start of the championships as determined by World Bowling. A full lane mapping shall be incorporated into the agreement with the host wherever possible.
Rule 4.11.3 - Registration bowling balls (Bye Rule)

The following new rule 4.11.3 was approved as a By Rule effective June 2015

4.11.3 Registration bowling balls

a) Each player will be permitted to register a maximum of 6 bowling balls during the tournament. Prior to the start of the Official Practice the bowling balls to be used during competition shall be inspected and registered. The inspection shall be limited to
   i. Eligibility of the ball as specified in the list of approved bowling balls published latest the day the tournament starts
   ii. Serial number
   iii. Visual inspection with regard to material, surface, plugs, etc.

b) Immediately following the official practice (latest one hour after the last practice session) registration shall be made of the bowling balls to be used during the championship events.

c) Additions of maximum two bowling balls to the players’ bowling ball list shall be allowed (up to the maximum of 6) throughout the tournament provided they pass rule 4.11.1 above.

d) In addition to the foregoing, a maximum of one ball previously registered may be removed from play during the Championships, and replaced by another ball not previously registered, upon notice to the Technical Delegate. Once this exchange process occurs the ball removed may not be returned to play.

e) Additions to a player’s bowling ball list shall be made no later than 1 hour prior to the start of the event where the additional bowling ball(s) will be used.

f) No modifications of a bowling ball shall be permitted apart from the altering of the surface as described above.

g) In very special circumstances the Tournament Technical Committee may allow a replacement of a registered bowling ball.

The Executive Board proposes the Bye Rule to be approved
The following rules 11.11.2 and 11.13.2 were approved as a By Rule effective June 1, 2015.

11.12.2 Holes or indentations for gripping purposes shall not exceed five and shall be limited to one for each finger and one for the thumb, all for the same hand. The player is not required to use all finger holes in any specific delivery, but they must be able to demonstrate, with the same hand, that each gripping hole can be simultaneously used for gripping purposes. Any thumb hole that is not used for gripping purposes during the delivery would be classified as a balance hole.

11.13.2 Weight more than 10 pounds (4.53 kg)
   a) Not more than 3 ounces (85 grams) difference between the top half of the ball (gripping holes side) and the bottom half of the ball (side opposite the gripping holes).
   b) Not more than 1 ounce (28 grams) difference between the half of the ball to the left and the half of the ball to the right of the center of grip (side weight).
   c) Not more than 1 ounce (28 grams) difference between the half of the ball toward the thumb hole side of the center of grip and toward the finger holes side of the center of grip (thumb/ finger weight).
   d) A ball used without any gripping holes or indentations may not have more than 1 ounce of difference between any two halves of the ball.

The Executive Board proposes the Bye Rule to be approved.
Rule 4.16 Drinking alcohol

Current rules:

4.16 Drinking alcohol

4.16.1 Players must not consume alcohol or be under the influence of alcohol while in competition; i.e. during the entire period of a block of games.

4.16.2 In those instances where it is established that a player is in breach of this rule, he may be suspended by the Tournament Technical Committee from the tournament for the block of games then being played.

Executive Board proposes the following new rules 4.16

4.16 Drinking alcohol

4.16.1 Players must not consume alcohol or be under the influence of alcohol while in competition; i.e. during the entire period of a block of games. The penalty for violation of this rule shall be an appropriate penalty determined by the Tournament Technical Committee, including the possibility of suspension from the tournament for the block of games then being played.

4.16.2 Players, coaches or administrators may not consume alcohol while wearing the standard uniform of their national federation in the bowling centre, or within 100 meters thereof, during the period commencing with the start of official practice through the completion of the Masters competition. The penalty for violation of this rule shall be a warning for the first violation, and an appropriate penalty determined by the Tournament Technical Committee for any subsequent violation, including the possibility of suspension for the duration of then Championships.
Rule 4.17 Smoking and using tobacco products

Current rule 4.17:

4.17 Smoking and using tobacco products

4.17.1 During championships smoking is not permitted in the bowling centre. However, it may be allowed in a closed area, provided it does not affect the environment in the player's and spectator's areas.

4.17.2 Players and their coach(es) must not smoke, use tobacco products or use any kind of synthetic cigarettes or e-cigarettes while in competition; i.e. during the entire period of a block of games.

4.17.3 If a bowler is caught smoking during a game he will have zero pinfall for the game currently being played. If a bowler is caught smoking in between games, he will have zero pinfall for the succeeding game.

4.17.4 For the second offence by the same player, the player will be excluded from the rest of the championship by the Tournament Technical Committee.

4.17.5 If a coach is caught smoking during a game
   a) the first penalty is suspension from the block of games where he violated the rule
   b) in case of a second violation the penalty is suspension from the rest of the Championship

Executive Board proposes the following new rule 4.17

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4.17.3 The player penalty for smoking during a game will be zero pinfall for the game currently being played. The penalty for smoking in between games will be zero pinfall for the succeeding game. The penalty for the second offence by the same player shall be exclusion from the rest of the championship by the Tournament Technical Committee.

4.17.4 The coach penalty for smoking during a game shall be suspension from the block of games in which he violated the rule. The penalty for a second violation is suspension from the rest of the Championship.

4.17.5 Players, coaches or administrators may not smoke, use tobacco products or any kind of synthetic or e-cigarettes while wearing the standard uniform of their national federation in the bowling centre, or within 100 meters thereof, during the period commencing with the start of official practice through the completion of the Masters competition. The penalty for violation of this rule shall be a warning for the first violation, and an appropriate penalty determined by the Tournament Technical Committee for any subsequent violation, including the possibility of suspension for the duration of then Championships.
Rule 4.18 Playing uniform, advertising

Current rule 4.18
4.18 Playing uniform, advertising

4.18.1 Players shall wear a standard uniform approved by their national federation. In a team event (Doubles, Trios and Team) players of the same Doubles, Trios or Team must wear uniforms of the same colour and type

4.18.2 The name of the country must appear on the back of the uniform. The name of the country may be printed
   - In English or in the country’s language
   - As abbreviation recognized by IOC or ISO 2000 if no IOC abbreviation (abbreviations published on WTBA website)

4.18.3 The following may appear on the uniform
   a) Name of player
   b) Logo of the country or member federation, which the player represents
   c) Advertisement: The number of advertisements is decided by each federation.
   d) A place on all federations uniforms, situated on the left side of the breast, is reserved for a WTBA sponsor. No later than six months before the start of the championship WTBA has to inform all member federations if this right will be used by WTBA and provide all federations with an original design for printing

4.18.4 IOC rules should apply for tournaments conducted under the auspices of IOC

4.18.5 Coaches and officials in the player’s area should be in the uniform specified by the national federation

Executive Board proposes the following new rule 4.18

4.18 Playing uniform, advertising

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   - In English or in the country’s language
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Further, the last name of the player shall be printed in English on the back of the uniform, in letters between 7 and 10 centimetres high
Semi finals and Finals in World Championships

Executive Board proposes changes in the format of Semi finals and Finals in Doubles, Trios and Team event in WC, WMC, WWC, WYC, WSrC.

EB proposes all Semi Finals and Finals to be played by Baker’s format one game.

The proposed change will affect the following playing rules:

**5.9 Doubles**

**Current rules 5.9.4 and 5.9.5:**

5.9.4  Top 4 in the final standing is qualified for two one game semi finals, where the doubles positioned 1 meets the doubles positioned 4 and the doubles positioned 2 meets the doubles positioned 3.

5.9.5  The winners of the two semi finals are playing a one game final.

**Proposed new rule 5.9.4 and 5.9.5**

5.9.4  Top 4 double in the final standing are qualified for two one game semi-finals, where the doubles positioned 1 meets the doubles positioned 4 and the doubles positioned 2 meets the doubles positioned 3. The games will be played in Baker’s format.

5.9.5  The winners of the two semi finals are playing a one game final. The game will be played in Baker’s format.

**5.10 Trios**

**Current rules 5.10.4 and 5.10.5:**

5.10.4  Top 4 in the final standing is qualified for two one game semi finals, where the trios positioned 1 meets the trios positioned 4 and the trios positioned 2 meets the trios positioned 3.

5.10.5  The winners of the two semi finals are playing a one game final.

**Proposed new rules 5.10.4 and 5.10.5**

5.10.4  Top 4 trios in the final standing are qualified for two one game semi-finals, where the trios positioned 1 meets the trios positioned 4 and the trio positioned 2 meets the trios positioned 3. The games will be played in Baker’s format.

5.10.5  The winners of the two semi-finals are playing a one game final. The game will be played in Baker’s format.
5.11 Team

Current rules 5.11.7 and 5.11.8:

5.11.7 Top 4 in the final standing is qualified for two one game semi finals, where the team positioned 1 meets the team positioned 4 and the team positioned 2 meets the team positioned 3.

5.11.8 The winners of the two semi finals are playing a one game final.

Proposed new rules 5.11.7 and 5.11.8

5.11.7 Top 4 teams in the final standing are qualified for two one game semi finals, where the team positioned 1 meets the team positioned 4 and the team positioned 2 meets the team positioned 3. The games will be played in Baker’s format.

5.11.8 The winners of the two semi finals are playing a one game final. The game will be played in Baker’s format.

5.15 Procedure for Semi finals and Finals

Proposed new rule 5.15.8

5.15.8 In the Doubles, Trios and Team events, the semi-finals and finals will be played in Baker’s format.

6.5 WYC and WSrC events

Current rule 6.5.3:

6.5.3 One game semi finals and finals in all events except in the All Events and Masters (1 vs. 4 and 2 vs. 3 in each event standing to be matched for the semi finals).

Highest ranked team/player to choose the dressing

The two losers in the semi finals will get bronze medals

Proposed new rule 6.5.3

6.5.3 One game semi finals and finals in all events except in the All Events and Masters (1 vs. 4 and 2 vs. 3 in each event standing to be matched for the semi finals). In the Doubles and Team events, the semi-finals and finals will be played in Baker’s format.

Highest ranked team/player to choose the dressing

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6.7 Doubles

Current rules 6.7.4 and 6.7.5

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6.7.5 The winners of the two semi-finals are playing a one game final.

Proposed new rules 6.7.4 and 6.7.5

6.7.4 Top 4 doubles in the final standing are qualified for two one game semi-finals, where the doubles positioned 1 meets the doubles positioned 4 and the doubles positioned 2 meets the doubles positioned 3. The games will be played in Baker’s format.

6.7.5 The winners of the two semi-finals are playing a one game final. The game will be played in Baker’s format.

6.8 Team

Current rules 6.8.6 and 6.8.7

6.8.6 Top 4 in the final standing is qualified for two one game semi-finals, where the team positioned 1 meets the team positioned 4 and the team positioned 2 meets the team positioned 3.

6.8.7 The winners of the two semi-finals are playing a one game final.

Proposed new rules 6.8.6 and 6.8.7

6.8.6 Top 4 teams in the final standing are qualified for two one game semi-finals, where the team positioned 1 meets the team positioned 4 and the team positioned 2 meets the team positioned 3. The games will be played in Baker’s format.

6.8.7 The winners of the two semi-finals are playing a one game final. The game will be played in Baker’s format.

6.11 Procedure for Semi-finals and Finals (except Masters)

Proposed new rule 6.11.7

6.11.7 In the Doubles and Team events, the semi-finals and finals will be played in Baker’s format.
Masters in WWC, WMC, WC, WYC and WSrC

Current rule 5.13

5.13 Masters in WWC, WMC and WC

5.13.1 The Masters includes four steps (1-4).

5.13.2 The Masters will be played on dual lane conditions, with the left lane dressed with the longer oil-pattern and the right lane dressed with the shorter oil-pattern.

5.13.3 The players will, within the pair of lanes, change lanes after each frame. Step 1 and 2 will be played the regular style, while Step 3 and 4 will be played the match play style.

5.13.4 The lane assignments for Step 1 will be decided by a draw. The lanes in Step 2 will, based on positions after Step 1, be assigned according to a pre-defined schedule, ensuring each player to end their games on the right lane 3 or 4 times. In Step 3 and 4, the highest positioned player after Step 2, will in each match decide whether he wants to throw his first shot on the left lane or on the right lane.

5.13.5 In Step 1, Top 24 from the All Event standing will play 6 games with the pin fall from the 24 all event games carried forward. By the conclusion of Step 1, the standing will consists of accumulated scores from 30 games.

5.13.6 In Step 2, Top 8 in the standing of Step 1 will play a round robin, with the pin fall from the preceding 30 games carried forward. The round robin will consist of 7 rounds of one game matches, where 20 bonus points is awarded for a won match and 10 bonus points is awarded for a tied match. By the conclusion of Step 2, the standing will consists of accumulated scores and bonus points after 37 games.

5.13.7 In Step 3, Top 4 in the Standing of Step 2 will play two semi-finals over one game; the highest positioned in Step 2 vs. the fourth highest positioned in Step 2 and the second highest positioned in Step 2 vs. the third highest positioned in Step 2.

5.13.8 In Step 4, the two winners of the matches in step 3 will play a one game final.
Executive Board proposes the following changes in Rule 5.13 about the format of Masters event in WC, WMC, WWC, WYC, WSrC. The same changes is also proposed in Rule 6.10 for WYC and WSrC.

5.13 Masters in WWC, WMC and WC

5.13.1 The Masters includes five steps (1-5), all starting from scratch.

5.13.2 The Masters will be played on dual lane conditions, with the left lane dressed with the longer oil-pattern and the right lane dressed with the shorter oil-pattern.

5.13.3 The 24 highest positioned players in the final all event standing are qualified for the masters event, seeded 1-24. The players will retain their seeding throughout the entire final.

5.13.4 In all steps there will be head to head matches, where the highest seeded players will be matched against the lowest seeded player, match play style (see 4.19.1)

5.13.5 Each match will played as best of 3 games. If the same player is the winner of the first two games, the 3rd game will not be played.

5.13.6 In each match the highest seeded player will choose whether he wants to begin the first game on the left or on the right lane. In the second game the starting lane of the players will be opposite to the first game and in a possible third game the starting lane of the players will be the same as in the first game.

5.13.7 In step 1, the 16 players seeded 9-24 will bowl 8 matches with the winners of the matches continuing to step 2.

5.13.8 In step 2, the 8 players seeded 1-8 and the 8 winners from step 1 will bowl 8 matches with the winners of the matches continuing to step 3.

5.13.9 In step 3, the 8 winners from step 2 will bowl 4 matches with the winners of the matches continuing to step 4.

5.13.10 In step 4, the 4 winners from step 3 will bowl 2 matches with the winners of the matches continuing to step 5.

5.13.11 In step 5, the 2 winners from step 4 will bowl 1 match with the winner of the match being declared the champion.

5.13.12 Lane Assignments in the Masters Event

a) Lanes will be dressed before Step 1 and before Step 2 of the Masters event
b) The Tournament Director will perform an impartial draw for matches to be assigned to lanes in Step 1 and Step 2 of the Masters event
c) Unless the same pair of lanes is in use for more than one match, there will be seven different pair of lanes in use for Step 3, Step 4 and Step 5 of the Masters event
World Singles Championships

Executive Board proposes changes in the format of World Single Championships (WSC). The proposed changes presented below will affect rule 5.8 and 5.14.

EB proposes the following format for WSC:

1. Step 1: All bowlers will bowl 8 games to determine their seeding. In due time before the start of the championships, the Tournament Director will decide the number of squads and the number of lanes in use for each squad.

2. Step 2: The top 32 bowlers will advance and bowl according to the bracket below:

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   If there is a tie for any of the positions 1-32 then a 9th and 10th frame roll off will be played, repeated until the tie is broken.

4. Each qualifying group shall bowl eight qualifying games over 4 adjacent pair of lanes, in one block.

5. Each player in the qualifying group shall bowl against every other player in the group every game. Points shall be awarded on the following basis:

6. The highest scoring player in each game shall be awarded 7 points, the second highest scoring shall be awarded 6 points, the third highest 5 points etc. down to the eighth highest, who will receive 0 points.

7. If there is a tie in a game the points will be awarded on the following basis; The points available to the tied players shall be added together and then divided by the number of players that have tied.

   Example: If there is a tie between 3 players at positions 3, 4 and 5, the sum of points for the three players is 12 (5+4+3 points), which divided by 3 will give each player 4 points.

8. Top 2 from the point standing of each group will advance to Step 3. If there is a tie for position 2 in a group, a 9th and 10th frame roll off will be played, repeated until the tie is broken.

9. The 8 players in step 3 will play 8 games in one group with a system as specified in 4-7 above.
10. Top 4 players from the point standing of each group will advance to the Semi Finals, seeded 1-4. If there is a tie for position 4 in the group, a 9th and 10th frame roll off will be played, repeated until the tie is broken.

If there is a tie for any other qualifying position, the highest qualified player is the player with the highest pin fall in Step 3, if there is still a tie, a 9th and 10th frame roll off will be played, repeated until the tie is broken.

11. The player seeded one from Step 3 shall play a one game match against the player seeded four, and the player seeded 2 shall play a one game match against the player seeded 3, with the higher ranked players having choice of starting lane. The losers of both matches will receive bronze medals.

12. The winners from shall play a one game match for the Championships, with the higher ranked player having the choice of starting lane. The winner of this match will receive a gold medal, and the loser a silver medal.

13. In case of a tie in the semi-final or final, a one ball roll-off will be played, repeated until the tie is broken.

14. The players will be positioned on the lanes, where they ended the game. The highest seeded player will choose the order of play. For a second roll off delivery, the players will switch lanes and order of deliveries. A third roll off delivery will be played like the first roll off delivery etc.
World Games

IWGA (International World Games Association) has offered us to have more players in World Games in future World Games. They have also indicated some changes in the format. After discussions with IWGA WTBA Executive Board proposes the following new Chapter 7 for World Games, which has been tentatively approved by IWGA.

The following paragraphs in Chapter 7 will be affected by the proposed changes.

7. World Games

7.3.1 In the World Games 16 federations will qualify to participate.

   a) The host federation is automatically qualified with two male and two female bowlers.
   b) The remaining 15 federations will comprise 5 federations both male and female from each zone.
   c) Each country will be required to send 2 male bowlers and/or 2 female bowlers.
   d) Two deadlines will be defined by World Bowling;
      i) for each Zone to present to World Bowling the standing of zone qualification of teams/federations
      ii) a final date for invitation of teams/federations
   e) WTBA invites the federations according to the qualification rules above following the standing in each zone qualification. If there are any vacant spots the World Bowling may fill these vacancies for one zone by team(s) from any zone.

7.8 Tournament format

7.8.1 The following format should be used. However, the final decision will be made by the IWGA Executive Committee for each specific World Games event, and will be listed in the IF-Passport.

7.8.2 The World Games will be conducted in two separate divisions Men and Women.

7.8.3 The events will be men's and women's singles and men's and women's doubles. A total of four gold medals will be awarded.

7.8.4 Singles

   a) Both male and female players will bowl one 6 game block.
   b) The 16 highest positioned players (male and female) after the 6 games will qualify for the finals, seeded as 1-16 in all steps of the finals.
   c) The finals will be single elimination format and will be played in accordance with a pre-determined 16 person single elimination schedule. (See attached).
   d) The single elimination finals will be the best of 3 games. Once a bowler loses a match they are eliminated.
   e) In each match of the finals the highest seeded player will choose starting lane (i.e. left lane or right lane). In the second game the order of players will be opposite to the first game and in a possible third game the order of players will be the same as in the first game.
   f) The losers of the semi-final match will proceed to the Bronze Medal match. The winner of this match will be awarded the bronze medal.
g) The winners of the semi final match will proceed to the Gold Medal Match. The winner of this match will be awarded the gold medal and the loser will be awarded the silver medal.

h) If there is a tie for positions 1-16, a 9th and 10th frame roll of will be played, repeated until the tie is broken.

i) In case of a tie in a game in a match, a one ball roll off on a full set of pins will be played, repeated until the tie is broken.

7.8.5 Doubles

a) Played in two stages with 16 federations represented in both male and female divisions.

b) Federations will be seeded according to the last World Championships results (top two players in All Events).

c) Ties in seedings will be broken by the federation which has the higher position of their third highest ranked player in the All Event standing.

d) The top 8 seeded Federations will be placed into pools based on the table below.

e) The remaining 8 Federations will be allocated to the various pools by a draw.

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Stage 1. Elimination round.

f) 3 matches in each pool where each team will play each other once (two games total pinfall to count).

g) Points will be allocated on the following basis
2 points for a win
1 point for a draw
0 points for a loss

h) The top two point-scorers from each pool will continue to the Stage 2 finals.

i) If there is a tie for position 2 in any pool then a 9th and 10th frame roll off will be played by both members of the team, repeated until the tie is broken.

j) An impartial lane draw will be conducted before the start of the matches. Each match shall be played on a different pair of lanes if possible under the physical conditions of the host bowling centre.

Stage 2. Finals.

k) The top 8 teams from the Stage 1 Elimination Round will contest the finals.

l) The finals will be played over 3 rounds using the following format;

m) Round 1
Match 1 - Pool 1 winner v Pool 2 second place (winner to round 2 - loser out)
Match 2 - Pool 1 second place vs Pool 2 winner (winner to round 2 - loser out)
Match 3 - Pool 3 winner vs Pool 4 second place (winner to round 2 - loser out)
Match 4 - Pool 3 second place vs Pool 4 winner (winner to round 2 - loser out)
n) Round 2
   Match 5 - Winner Match 1 vs Winner Match 3 (winner to Gold Medal Match - Loser to Bronze Medal Match)
   Match 6 - Winner Match 2 vs Winner Match 4 (winner to Gold Medal Match - Loser to Bronze Medal Match)

o) Round 3
   Bronze medal Match – Loser Match 5 vs Loser Match 6
   Gold Medal Match - Winner Match 5 vs Winner Match 6

p) In each match of the finals a coin toss will be used with the winner to choose starting lane.

q) If there is a tie in any match then a 9th and 10th frame roll off will be played by both members of the team, repeated until the tie is broken.

7.9 Awards

7.9.1 IWGA medals of gold; silver and bronze will be presented to each of the individuals winning those positions in the Singles.

7.9.2 IWGA medals of gold; silver and bronze will be presented to each of the individuals winning those positions in the Doubles.
Proposal to the WTBA Congress 2015
Return to single-oil pattern events in all WTBA Championships

The break down speed of the oil-pattern has increased a lot
Numerous measurements have shown a huge depletion rate over six games of bowling with two players per lane. It has also proven that lanes are changing very fast even in a single oil-pattern competition. So in a squad, where lanes are dressed with one oil-pattern only, players are in reality already confronted with multiple oil-patterns.

Negative impacts for the game
By observing score levels in some of the latest World Championships, it seems that the selection of two oil-patterns for the same championships is a choice between two evils. Either most players can play both patterns fairly, but then the difference between the patterns is marginal. Or the difference in scores becomes extreme, when there is a bigger difference between the two patterns, i.e. many players do 1100-1200 in six games on the one pattern and 1400-1500 on the other, and vice versa. This is not acceptable.

Complexity
Two oil-pattern championships have increased the need of bowling balls and/or have demanded more ball adjustment possibilities. It has introduced many situations, where players have to choose between various options and following all these many new possibilities, the rule book has grown with many pages.

In other words: using two oil-patterns is increasing the complexity of both the game itself and its administration. This is acceptable, as long as it increases the value of the game, but it is not acceptable, if the outcome of the initiative is negative or just neutral.

Proposal
Using two oil-patterns in championships was introduced to serve a mission, and it did, since we got a higher diversity and more challenges in our championships, which was what we wanted. But since then the development in balls and skills has changed that much that it is time to return to single oil pattern championships.

The ETBF Presidium Proposes that only one oil-pattern will be used in all WTBA Championships as of 2016.
Age limit WYC

Norwegian Bowling Federation has proposed change of age limit for World Youth Championships.

See separate document 12.2.13
Proposal to the 2015 WTBA-Congress: Rule Change

The proposal applies to Chapter 6: World Tenpin Bowling Youth and Senior Championships

The rule in question is 6.1.3: Age limits, point a):

"The players in WYC must not have reached the age of 21 years on 1st January of the year of the championships. Also see 4.9.5 a"

The proposal is to change the text in 6.1.3 to:

"The players in WYC must not have reached the age of 23 years on 1st January of the year of the championships. Also see 4.9.5 a"

The proposal does not influence 4.9.5 a - the proposal is to maintain this point as it is.

Reasoning for the proposal:

- Most players will only be able to play/qualify for WYC once before getting too old. At the same time it is a fact that the transition from competing on junior/youth level to competing on adult/senior level, is rather tough for many young players, especially the late bloomers. An increased age limit for the WYC will secure more experience on a high, but still suitable level for more young players; before facing the ultimate competition on the adult level. An increased age limit should make the transition less challenging, securing more and better players on the highest level over time.

- In order to secure and maintain recruitment to the sport of bowling = more players playing longer - an increase in the age limit of the WYC is regarded to be a logical and cost effective tool to accomplish such an important goal. Subsequently an increased age limit should lead to increasing numbers of players in all age brackets, contributing to increasing the overall quality of the game.

- The age bracket upwards for WYC is too similar to the age limit for regional junior championships, i.e. no more than 3 years in most cases. The outcome is that many players are playing both championships in the same year; thus not making the WYC as attractive and unique as anticipated.

This proposal is forwarded by Norway - supported by Finland, Denmark and Iceland.

Best regards
Norwegian Bowling Federation

Halgeir Ludvigsen
President

Per Iversen
Secretary General
World Tenpin Bowling Association
WTBA Congress  December 15-16, 2015
Agenda item 15 - Elections

The following nominations have been received until deadline for nominations September 15, 2015

15.1 WTBA President

Kevin Dornberger, USA
Sheikh Talal Mohammad Al-Sabah, Kuwait

15.2 and 15.3 WTBA 1st and 2nd Vice Presidents
Pekka Korpi, Finland
Mike Seymour, Australia
Marios Nicolaides, Cyprus
Suwalai Satruee, Thailand
Ulf Sjöblom, Sweden

Attached are the nominations of all nominated officers.

Extract from WTBA Statutes regarding nominations and elections

1.9.8 Elections
a) The elections of officers shall always be conducted by secret ballot unless there is only one candidate for the position. All elections will be by majority vote, which means a number of votes which is above the total number of all other votes cast. This term is sometimes referred to as absolute majority
b) The Executive Board shall be authorized to make recommendations and to provide reasons therefore
c) In the event more than two individuals are nominated for the same office, the voting shall proceed as follows
   - If, after the first ballot, one of the candidates has not received the majority of the votes cast, there shall be successive ballots until one candidate receives the majority of the votes cast
   - If no candidate receives a majority of the votes cast on any ballot, the candidate receiving the lowest number of votes shall be dropped from the ballot

1.9.9 Nominations
a) All incumbent officers who intend to run for re-election shall so advise the Secretary General of his interest at least five months before an elective Congress
b) This information will be reported to the member federations at least four months before the Congress
c) All other nominations shall be submitted to the Secretary General at least three months before the Congress
d) All incumbent and other nominations will then be reported to the member federations at least two months before the Congress.
e) If nominations are received pursuant to the above process, no additional nominations from the floor will be accepted at the Congress.
f) If no nominations are received pursuant to the above process, then nominations from the floor will be accepted.
g) All candidates must be members of and authorized by their respective federation to be eligible for election.
July 16, 2015

Christer Jonsson  
World Bowling Secretary General

Dear Mr. Jonsson,

I am writing on behalf of the United States Bowling Congress to nominate Kevin Dornberger of the United States for the office of president of the World Tenpin Bowling Association. Mr. Dornberger is a life member of our federation and is considered a member in good standing.

If there are any questions regarding this nomination, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Andrew Cain, President  
United States Bowling Congress

cc Chad Murphy, USBC Executive Director  
Neil Stremmel, USBC Managing Director/NGB
September 14, 2015

Mr. CHRISTER JONSSON
Secretary General
World Tenpin Bowling Association

RE: WTBA Congress, December 15 – 16, 2015 in Abu Dhabi, UAE

Dear Sir:

On behalf of the Kuwait Bowling Federation, we would like to respectfully nominate SHEIKH TALAL MOHAMMAD AL-SABAH for the position of President of World Tenpin Bowling Association in the captioned congress.

Thank you.

Truly yours,

Salem Alaradah
Secretary General
Kuwait Bowling Federation

Cc: Mr. Kevin Dornberger, President of WTBA
Nomination

Finnish Bowling Federation nominates its Secretary General Mr. Pekka Korpi for the election of the WTBA First and Second Vice President in the WTBA Congress in Abu Dhabi in December 2015.

Pekka Korpi has been a bowler since 1967 and involved in different kinds of bowling activities for more than forty years. He is 61 years old. His CV is attached.

Yours Faithfully

[Signature]

Harri Järvinen
President
Finnish Bowling Federation
Pekka Korpi  Curriculum Vitae

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Born 13.9.1953

Education
Bachelor of Physical Education, University of Jyväskylä, Finland 1978

Occupational Career
PE teacher Hämeenkylä School and Nakkila School, 1978–1979
Finnish Bowling Federation, Training Secretary, 1980-1984
Manager, Tapiola Bowl, 1984–1987
Manager, Joensuu Sports Center (bowling, squash, tennis), 1987-1990
Proprietor, Joensuu Sports Center, 1991-1997
Finnish Bowling Federation, Training Secretary, 1997-1999
Finnish Bowling Federation, Secretary General, 1999-

Experience in Bowling
Bowled since 1966
National Team Juniors and Youth, 1971
Finnish Proprietors’ Association, President, 1987-89
Finnish Corporative Bowling Association, President, 1995-1999
Bowling European Corporatif (BEC), Board, 1995-1999
Level five Bowling Coach (highest level in Finland)
As National Team Coach and Secretary General taken part to numerous Championships and Congresses 1980-
WTBA 1st Vice President 2011-

Tournament managing
Finnish Championships 1986 and 1990, Tournament Manager
Finnish Corporative Championships 1993, Tournament Manager
FIQ World Championships 1987, Helsinki, Tournament Manager
Santa Claus Pro Tournaments 1988 and 1989, Helsinki, Tournament Manager
Nordic Championships 1992, Helsinki, Tournament Manager
ETBF European Youth Championships 1994, Helsinki, Tournament Manager
ETBF European Team Cup 1996, Helsinki, Tournament Manager
World Games 1997, Lahti, Tournament Manager
ETBF European Cup Individuals 1997, Tampere, Tournament Manager
Bowling European Corporatif (BEC) Championships, Helsinki 1998, Tournament Manager
Bowling European Corporatif (BEC) Championships, Helsinki 2002, Tournament Manager
European Senior Bowling Championships (ESBC) 2004, Helsinki, Tournament Manager
Ballmaster Open 1999-2008, Tournament Manager
WTBA World Women’s Championships 2005, Aalborg, WTBA Tournament Director
WTBA World Youth Championships 2006, Berlin, WTBA Tournament Director
ETBF European Youth Championships 2008, Helsinki, Host Tournament Manager
WTBA World Youth Championships 2010, Helsinki, Host Tournament Manager
ETBF European Champions Cup 2011, Lahti, Host Tournament Manager
WTBA World Championships 2013, Henderson, NV, USA, WTBA Tournament Director
WTBA World Men Championships 2014, Abu Dhabi, UAE, WTBA Tournament Director
to come
WTBA World Women Championships 2015, Abu Dhabi, UAE, WTBA Tournament Director

Interests
I have played golf since 1970 and still enjoy it a few rounds per short Finnish summer.
7th July 2015

World Tenpin Bowling Association
Christer Jonsson
Tulpanvägen 11
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SWEDEN

Dear Christer,

Tenpin Bowling Australia Limited would like to nominate Mr. Michael Seymour from Australia for the positions of 1st & 2nd Vice President of the World Tenpin Bowling Association.

If I can be of further assistance or you require more information please let me know on my email address ttrelaxed2@bigpond.com.au

Yours sincerely,

Trevor Thiele
Chairman
Tenpin Bowling Australia Limited
Name: Michael Seymour

General
I offer the following information for your consideration in support of my nomination for Vice President of the WTBA.

I commenced bowling in 1970 and have been a continuous member of the Australian Federation (Tenpin Bowling Australia) since that time. I have been passionately involved in the sport of Tenpin Bowling in Australia and internationally as both a competitor and administrator for approximately 45 years.

I have also been an elected representative on many associations and committees.

In 2011 I was elected as 2nd Vice President of WTBA and have since that time been an active member of the Executive Board and Competition Committee.

In 2012 I was elected as Vice President (Oceania) of the Asian Bowling Federation.

In 2006 I was elected to the Tenpin Bowling Australia (TBA) Board of Directors and subsequently to the role of Chairman/President. I was also a member of the TBA rules and ethics committee.

I was reappointed to the TBA Board in August 2010 to fill a casual vacancy and re-elected as Deputy Chairman of TBA in May 2011. I was also Chairman of TBA’s Seniors Committee.

I have been a representative of my state in National competitions on 24 occasions and I have also represented Australia on 2 occasions.

I have managed various State (23) and National teams (5) including the teams to the World Youth, Women’s and Men’s Championships.

I am a certified USBC Silver Level coach and also a TBA and Australian Sports Commission accredited Level 2 coach.

Employment
Since July 2012 I have been employed by the Hong Kong Sports Institute as a Bowling Coach with the Hong Kong National Team.

Prior to that I was employed by the Australian Department of Defence as the Executive Director Science Resource Management in the Defence Science & Technology Organisation (DSTO). I was employed in the Department for 37 years.

As a senior manager in the organisation I was responsible for a number of areas, including:

- the management of approximately 50 staff;
- representational responsibilities, both internal and external;
- the management of the DSTO budget (some $450m) and the provision of financial management support to senior executives within DSTO.

To enable me to carry out those responsibilities effectively, I have skills in the following areas:

- financial management/business and strategic skills and achievement orientation;
- communication, representation and interpersonal/conflict resolution skills;
- people management; and
- conceptual and analytical skills and judgement.

Conclusion
In conclusion I believe that I have the experience, qualities and skills required to fulfil the requirements of Vice President of the WTBA. I have adaptability, flexibility and the desire to succeed at new challenges and would be willing to contribute in any way that the organisation sees fit.

Summary
Education
Advanced Diploma of Business (Accounting)
Certified USBC Silver Level Coach and Accredited Level 2 Coach (Tenpin Bowling Australia and Australian Sports Commission)

Member of Associations/Organisations.
2011 - Current - 2nd Vice President World Tenpin Bowling Association
2012 – Current – Vice President (Oceania) Asian Bowling Federation
2010 - 2013 Deputy Chairman/Director Tenpin Bowling Australia
2006 - 2007 Chairman/Director Tenpin Bowling Australia
1999 - 2011 Tenpin Bowling Australia Australian Capital Territory (A.C.T.) Manager
1995 - 2006 Director/President Tenpin Bowling Association (A.C.T.T.B.A.)
1985 - 1991 Director/ Vice President South Australian Tenpin Bowling Association
1976 - 1980 Director/Vice President (A.C.T.T.B.A.)
Nicosia, Friday, September 11th 2015

To: Mr. Christer Jonsson
   WTBA Secretary General

Dear Sir,

Cyprus Bowling Federation nominates Mr. Marios Nicolaides from Cyprus for both 1st and 2nd Vice President Candidacy for the congress December 2015, in Abu Dhabi.

Mr. Nicolaides will represent Cyprus Bowling Federation with voice and vote for both congress WTBA and FIQ.

Regards,

G. Secretary CBF                                     President CBF
September 15, 2015

Mr. Christer Jonsson
Secretary General
World Tenpin Bowling Association

Re: WTBA Congress, December 15 – 16, 2015 in Abu Dhabi, UAE

Dear Sir:

On behalf of the Thai Tenpin Bowling Association, we would like to respectfully nominate MRS. SUWALAI SATRULEE for the position of 1st and 2nd Vice President of World Tenpin Bowling Association in the captioned congress.

Thank you.

Truly yours,

Mr. Chanyut Hengtrakool
President
Thai Tenpin Bowling Association
To
World Tenpin Bowling Association

Stockholm, 14th of September 2015

Nomination to World Tenpin Bowling Association presidium

The Swedish Bowling Federation hereby nominates Ulf Sjöblom, Sweden, as a candidate for 1st or 2nd vice president to the WTBA presidium.

Yours sincerely,

Lena Sulkanen
Secretary General
Swedish Bowling Federation
Curriculum Vitae

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Personal Profile
I am 60 years and is married with Lena and we have one son. We are living in Gothenburg Sweden and we have a genuine interest in all sports and specifically in Bowling. I have taken a decision to take early retirement which will be effected by end of October 2015. This means that I can devote time to other areas of interest and as a consequence I see an opportunity to contribute to World Bowling and its development by this application to.

Professional profile and experience
36 years of experience in General Management (32 years in SKF) with a focus on Manufacturing and Management of Technology during the last 16 years.

Since 2001 I have established manufacturing R&D centres starting with 30 employees to where we are today with some 130 employees based in India, China and Sweden. This experience has given me an insight in differences in cultural and the importance of respect for every individual.

During the years I have had several assignments in the industry but also and mainly at universities and institutes. Assignments have been to Advisory and Scientific boards.

Bowling experience
I started my carrier in bowling in early 1970 and has during my active periods been initiating, establishing and driving new bowling clubs, bowling schools for young people, leadership in bowling clubs (chairman, secretary) and coaching and training of a very successful team in Gothenburg.

During 2012 I got a request from the Swedish Bowling Federation about an interest in a position as President of the Federation which I have held since then.

How can I contribute
Bowling is a sport which as many other sports need to change and adapt to future requirements and needs from the future athletes. There is not one single solution, but we have to work hard to grow the bowling family and to introduce bowling to new countries, for all people and for all ages to enjoy our fantastic sport everywhere and everyday.

If we want to become a part of the Olympic family, where we all believe we belong, we have to work even harder to promote bowling in order to become a member by 2024. I strongly believe that my experience from both my professional carrier and from Bowling, will contribute towards a great future for World Bowling.