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Minutes of the WUSB Delegates' Meeting on 12 May 2023, Tornby

Delegates: Ann de Laet (B), Ane Christiansen (DK), Anne Haapakoski (FI), Didier Basset (F), Annegret Splinter (D1), Bent Brohus Christiansen (D2), Andrej Djomins (LV), Diane Drenthen-Westerhoff (NL), Reto Wiederkehr (CH), Nina Dolinsek (SI), Kari Augestad (E), Antonio Alenda (E), Patricia Epting (CH), Francois van Leugenhaege (B), Lise-Lotte Sønderskov (DK), Taina Nygård (FI), Celine Botussi (F), Ellen Waßmann(D1) Ludmila Forosa-Djomina (LV)

Guests: Wolfgang Splinter (D1), Christine Wiederkehr (CH), Anna Maria Brunner (CH), Ezequiel Medina (E)

Agenda:

1. Welcome by the president and ascertainment of the number of delegates
2. Welcome by the president of the Danish club, information about the WUSB 2023
3. Minutes of the delegates' meeting WUSB 2022 in Nieuwpoort - Belgium
4. Reports of the board:
 - Annual report of the president
 - Report of the treasurer,
 - Auditor and audit
5. Discussion and discharge of the board
6. Election of auditors (2 persons)
7. Current situation of the recognition of the WUSB by the FCI
8. Statutes and show regulations
9. Processing of the application to change the weekend-schedule of the WUSB
10. Short information from Italy about the WUSB 2024
11. Election of the judges for the WUSB-show 2024
12. Election of the next WUSB-shows
13. Reports from the member clubs
14. Miscellaneous

ITEM 1)

Didier Basset welcomes all delegates and guests at 10 a.m. and thanks them for coming all this way. In memory of Karen Bodeving, Didier Basset pays tribute to the life and work of Karen Bodeving and all present rise for a minute's silence.

The invitation to the meeting was sent out properly and in due time. The meeting was quorate.

ITEM 2)

The President of the Danish Club welcomes all participants and gives information about the show on 13.05.23. 67 dogs from 12 countries are entered, 6 Longhair males, 21 Longhair females, 12 Shorthair males and 28 Shorthair females.

Judging will be in 2 rings, one after the other.

The banquet will be held in the meeting house of the neighboring village and will start at 6 pm.

TOP 4)

Annual Report of the President

I welcome you to this 2023 edition of our World Meeting in the North of Denmark.

It is always a pleasure to meet and exchange ideas about our beloved breed. Even though the journey is very long for some, you have come and I thank you very much for that. Despite the global crisis, which has certainly reduced the number of participants at this year's show on Saturday, 12 nations will nevertheless be present at the event.



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We thank our friends from the Danish Club for welcoming us to their country. We know how much work is involved in organising a WUSB event and I think we can sincerely thank them for taking up the challenge. After two years of absence due to the Covid 19 pandemic, we have finally returned to almost normal life since last year. The 2022 edition in Belgium has allowed us to come together again and share our common passion. Just a quick review of 2022 to thank the Belgian club once again for the great organisation. The 2022 edition will forever be remembered as a great year, congratulations to our Belgian friends! Since the 2022 edition, your committee has met four times via video conference to deal with the current urgencies.

As you know, due to the dossier on cooperation with the FCI, we had to revise our show regulations to make them compatible with the FCI regulations.

Without giving away item 7 of this meeting, I can already tell you that we have good news to announce.

This change in the show regulations will come into effect from Saturday, with now one judge per ring, which is of course a big change, but it was the condition requested by the Swiss Kennel Club to move forward on the issue of FCI recognition.

I would like to thank the delegates for voting with a very large majority for this necessary change to take the WUSB into the future.

I would also like to thank all Board members for their willingness to always respond to my numerous requests. So the past year is summarised in a few lines. There is no lack of work, but the motivation of this committee is strong and the desire to keep this "lady" called WUSB alive and accompany it into the future is very present under this board.

I wish you all a wonderful stay in Denmark.

Report of the treasury

Reto Wiederkehr can report a balanced budget. The payment of membership fees also went smoothly.

Report of the auditors

Nina Dolinsek and Martina Ellerova have audited the cash of the WUSB. Everything is properly booked. They recommend the discharge of the board to the delegates.

TOP 5)

Kari Augestad asks whether it is still necessary to make an annual donation to the Fondation Barry. This donation had been decided during the start-up phase of the Fondation. She proposes to use these funds for the work with the judges.

The delegates vote on this and decide unanimously to cancel the annual donation to the Fondation Barry from 2024.

The delegates further vote on the discharge of the Executive Board. With a unanimous vote the Board is discharged.

ITEM 6)

Nina Dolinsek (SI) and Lise-Lotte Sønderskov (DK) are unanimously elected as auditors.

TOP 7)

The judges' brochure and the amended show regulations were sent to the SKG for approval. The SKG supports the activities of the WUSB and has forwarded the documents to the FCI. The next meeting of the FCI will take place in August 2023, at which the proposal of the WUSB regarding a cooperation with the FCI will be discussed. We are on the right track.



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TOP 8)

The changed show regulations will be applied for the first time at tomorrow's WUSB show.

Different national regulations in different countries will be discussed again. We have to collect experiences and react in agreement with the FCI.

TOP 9)

From Spain comes the proposal to hold the judges' and delegates' meeting on one day again. The participants discuss the proposal and confirm it unanimously.

TOP 10)

Following Giovanni Morsiani's proposal last year, the WUSB 2024 was scheduled to take place in Bagnara di Romagna, Italy. Following a disagreement within the club, the proposed venue in 2023 was no longer accepted by the Italian club. Another site may have been possible, but the dates no longer corresponded. The Italian club declined to organise the WUSB 2024 and will submit its bid for another year.

TOP 11)

Delegate votes

Elected judges (after verification of eligibility)

Celine Botussi	16
Christine Wiederkehr	14
Johannes Mayer	14
Antonio Alenda	10

Substitute judges

Andreas Fütterer	9
Ane Christiansen	5
Miriam Winkens	3

ITEM 12)

2024 under consideration

2025 Czech Republic

2026 Netherlands (100th club anniversary) confirmed

2027 Italy (under consideration)

2028 France (120th club anniversary) confirmed

2029 ?

TOP 13)

Germany1: The club has intensified its public relations work at consumer fairs. The homepage is being revised. Club slogan was developed and protection of the wordmark applied for.

France: From 01.09.2023 the submission of a DNA sample is obligatory for dogs going into breeding.

ITEM 14)

Didier Basset conveys the best greetings from the honorary president of the WUSB, Wolfgang Ketzler. Because of his advice the list of judges should be updated.

Didier Basset thanks all participants for the constructive discussion and closes the meeting at 2 pm.