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Presentation and Approval of Amendments to AIBA Statutes

Objectives

- The main purpose of the proposed amendments, approved by the AIBA EC, is to address some urgent and key matters including:
 - Better allocation of powers between President and Executive Committee for balanced governance
 - Secure sufficient Women members in the Executive Committee in view of the next election
 - Clarify some key articles for a better understanding on contents
- Currently, a full review of the AIBA Statutes will be foreseen at the next Ordinary Congress following the undergoing governance consulting “New Foundation Plan” by reputable experts



Article 8.3 Membership

- Current Article 8.3
 - A National Federation cannot be affiliated to or recognized by any non-AIBA professional boxing organization or body or any other world, continental, or international boxing federation or association unless approved by AIBA.
- Proposed Amendment
 - A National Federation ~~cannot~~ can be affiliated to or recognized by any non-AIBA professional boxing organization or body or any other world, continental, or international boxing federation or association if this is approved by AIBA Executive Committee.



Article 13 (L) Obligation of National Federations

- Current Article 8.3
 - National Federations and provisional members have the following obligations:
 - to prohibit any person to hold office on the Executive Committee of AIBA or any Confederation if that person holds, or has previously held, after January 1, 2007, a position in any non-AIBA professional boxing organization or has been involved in the organization, promotion or administration or professional boxing including a professional boxing event, unless approved by AIBA Executive Committee.
- Proposed Amendment
 - National Federations and provisional members have the following obligations:
 - to prohibit any person to hold office on the Executive Committee of AIBA or any Confederation if that person holds a position in any non-AIBA professional boxing organization.



Article 22 - Congress

- Current Article 22.1
 - The Congress is an assembly to which all National Federations are convened at least once every four years.
- Proposed Amendment
 - The Ordinary Congress is an assembly to which all National Federations are convened every two years.
 - The Ordinary Congress with elections shall be held every four years.



Article 27 – Congress Proceedings

- Current Article 27.1
 - The President shall preside over the Congress.
- Proposed Amendment
 - The President shall preside over the Congress; however, if for any reason the President is not able to preside, then the Vice President who has served the longest period will preside over the Congress.



Article 34 – Composition of Executive Committee (I)

- Proposed Amendment to Article 34.1:
 - The Executive Committee will consist of twenty-eight (28) persons as follows:
 - Twenty-four (24) EC Members elected by the Congress including:
 - one (1) President;
 - five (5) Vice Presidents each from a National Federation affiliated to a different Confederation, that is, one from each of AFBC, AMBC, ASBC, EUBC and OCBC;
 - ~~Two (2)~~ three (3) EC Members from a National Federation affiliated to each of AFBC, AMBC, ASBC and EUBC, of which a minimum of one member must be a woman in each continent;
 - ~~One (1)~~ two (2) EC Members from a National Federation affiliated to OCBC, of which a minimum of one member must be a woman;
 - ~~Five (5)~~ four (4) EC Members from any other National Federation; and
 - Four (4) EC Members from a National Federation affiliated to each of AFBC, AMBC, ASBC and EUBC appointed by the elected members of the Executive Committee. The appointed EC Members must be recommended by the President and selected from the EC Member candidates who lost in the election.



Article 34 – Composition of Executive Committee

- Proposed Amendment to Article 34.2:
- Add:
 - All members listed in article 34.1 (elected and appointed EC Members) shall have voting rights.
 - The new composition of the Executive Committee will enter into force at the next Ordinary Congress
- DELETE:
 - ~~In addition to the EC Members elected by the Congress pursuant to article 34.1, the AIBA President may appoint, and dismiss, the following EC Members:-~~
 - ~~one person representing the interest of APB as Vice President of the Executive Committee;~~
 - ~~one person representing the interest of WSB as Vice President of the Executive Committee;~~
 - ~~up to two persons representing the commercial interests of AIBA as Vice President of the Executive Committee-~~
 - ~~the Chairperson of the Technical & Rules Commission as EC Member;~~
 - ~~the Chairperson of the Women's Commission as EC Member; and,~~
 - ~~the Chairperson of the Medical Commission as EC Member;~~
 - ~~The members listed in article 34.2 (appointed EC Members) shall not have any voting right.~~



Article 35.1-3 – Eligibility Criteria

- Proposed Amendment to Article 35.1
 - Candidates:
 - for the Presidency, Vice Presidency and Executive Committee Membership must all be members of and nominated by their respective National Federation.
 - for the Presidency must have a record of serving in the Executive Committee as an EC Member.
 - for the Presidency must be supported in writing by at least twenty (20) National Federations.
 - for Vice Presidency must be supported in writing by at least five (5) National Federations except Oceania where candidates for the Vice Presidency must be supported by at least three (3) National Federations.



Article 38: Power of Executive Committee

- Proposed additions to Article 38.1
 - (NEW) ratify the appointment and dismissal of the members of the EC Bureau
 - (NEW) ratify the appointment and dismissal of the Chairperson and other members of each of the Commissions
 - (NEW) appoint EC members in accordance with article 34.1 of these Statutes
 - (NEW) ratify the appointment and dismissal of the Executive Director of AIBA
 - (NEW) make decisions relating to major AIBA competitions if necessary due to cancellations, postponements, relocations, etc.
 - (NEW) ratify the appointment and dismissal of members of both the Disciplinary and Ethics Commissions including the Chairperson
 - (NEW) ratify the appointment and dismissal of both The Treasurer and Legal Counsel
 - (NEW) appoint and dismiss the External Auditor Company
 - (NEW) ratify the appointment and dismissal of the Executive Vice President
 - (NEW) with a two-thirds vote of no-confidence motion for the removal of the President by the Congress pursuant to Article 23(b). The power of the President shall be provisionally suspended until the next Ordinary or Extraordinary Congress.



Article 39: Power of President

- Current Article 39.1
 - The President represents AIBA legally. The President is responsible for the relations among the Confederations, National Federations, IOC, political bodies, other international sports federations and international organizations.
- Proposed Amendment
 - **The President or the Chairperson of the EC in the case of the absence of the President represents AIBA legally. The President is the highest officer of AIBA. The President represents AIBA in the framework of** the relations among the Confederations, National Federations, IOC, political bodies, other International Sports Federations and international organizations.



Article 39: Power of President

Deleted or Moved Powers

- Current Article 39.2
 - (D) preside over the Congress;
 - (G) appoint and dismiss EC Members in accordance with Articles 34.2 and 34.5 of these Statutes
 - (K) make decisions relating to major AIBA Competitions if necessary due to cancellations, postponement, relocations, etc.;
 - (L) in extraordinary situations, make decisions on matters of importance which must be ratified by the Executive Committee at its next meeting.
- Proposed Amendments
 - (D) preside over the Congress
 - **DELETED (DUPLICATES ARTICLE 27.1)**
 - (G) appoint and dismiss EC Members in accordance with Articles 34.2 and 34.5 of these Statutes
 - **MOVED TO POWERS OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**
 - (K) make decisions relating to major AIBA Competitions if necessary due to cancellations, postponement, relocations, etc.;
 - **MOVED TO POWERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**
 - (L) in extraordinary situations, make decisions on matters of importance which must be ratified by the Executive Committee at its next meeting.
 - **DELETED**



Article 39: Power of President

Amended Powers

- Current Article 39.2
 - (E) appoint and dismiss the members of the EC Bureau;
 - (F) appoint and dismiss the Chairperson and other members of each of the Commissions;
 - (I) appoint and dismiss the Executive Director of AIBA;
- Proposed Amendment
 - (E) appoint and dismiss the members of the EC Bureau **provided it is ratified by the Executive Committee;**
 - (F) appoint and dismiss the Chairperson and other members of each of the Commissions **provided it ratified is by the Executive Committee;**
 - (I) appoint and dismiss the Executive Director of AIBA **provided it is ratified by the Executive Committee;**



Article 39: Power of President

New Powers

- Proposed additions to Article 39.2
 - (NEW) propose the members of the Disciplinary Commission including the Chairperson who will be appointed provided it is ratified by the Executive Committee;
 - (NEW) propose the members of the Ethics Commission including the Chairperson who will be appointed provided it is ratified by the Executive Committee;
 - (NEW) appoint and dismiss the Executive Vice President provided it is ratified by the Executive Committee
 - (NEW) appoint and dismiss the Treasurer and Legal Counsel provided it is ratified by the Executive Committee.



Article 39: Power of President

- Current Article 39.3
 - If the President is unable to exercise his powers for a prolonged period due to absence or illness, the Vice President who has served the longest period will act as Interim President, this for a maximum of one (1) year until an Extraordinary Congress is called and a new President elected.
- Proposed Amendment
 - If the President is unable to exercise his powers ~~for a prolonged period due to any kind of absence or illness~~, the Vice President who has served the longest period will act as Interim President, this for a maximum of one (1) year until an Extraordinary Congress is called and a new President elected.



Dismissal of the President

- Article 38 - Powers of the Executive Committee
 - Proposed addition to Article 38.1:
 - 38.1 The Executive Committee has in particular the power and duty to:
 - **(NEW) – with a two-thirds vote of no confidence motion for the removal of the President by the Congress pursuant to Article 23(b). The power of the President shall be provisionally suspended until the next Ordinary or Extraordinary Congress.**
- Article 23 - Powers of the Congress
 - Current Article 23(B)
 - The Congress has the following powers:
 - elects the President, each Vice President and the other EC Members every four years, and may, in an Extraordinary Congress, convened in accordance with these Statutes, remove any such persons from office by a majority of no-confidence;
 - Proposed Amendment to Article 23(B)
 - The Congress has the following powers:
 - elects the President, each Vice President and the other EC Members every four years, and may, in an **Ordinary or** Extraordinary Congress, convened in accordance with these Statutes, remove any such persons from office by a **two-thirds vote of no-confidence.**



Article 42: Quorum

- Current Article 42
 - Article 42.1: The Executive Committee can convene once eleven (11) elected EC Members are present including the President.
 - Article 42.2: The EC Bureau can convene once three (3) members of the EC Bureau are present in person, by telephone or reply via email, including the President.
- Proposed Amendment
 - Article 42.1: The Executive Committee can convene once **fifty percent (50%) plus one of the EC Members are present. Should for any reason the President not be present, then the EC at its majority can appoint an EC Member in attendance as Chair of the meeting.**
 - Article 42.2: The EC Bureau can convene once three (3) members of the EC Bureau are present in person, by telephone or reply via email, **including the President. Should for any reason the President not be present, then, the EC Bureau at its majority can appoint an EC Bureau Member in attendance to Chair the meeting.**



Article 50: Executive Director

- Current Article 50.3
 - (F) perform special duties for the development of the sport of boxing within the international sports and Olympic community, under the instructions and assignments of the President;
 - (G) conduct special projects and programs on the request of the President.
- Proposed Amendment
 - (F) perform special duties for the development of the sport of boxing within the international sports and Olympic community, under the instructions and assignments of the President **and the Executive Committee;**
 - (G) **On the request of the President,** conduct special projects and programs **which must be ratified by the Executive Committee.**



New Article – Executive Vice President

Creation of the position of “Executive Vice President”

- Proposed New Article 51:
 - **51.1 The President may appoint an Executive Vice President, provided it is ratified by the Executive Committee.**
 - **51.2 The Executive Vice President shall have the following duties:**
 - to perform duties assigned by the President
 - to represent the President in any given event, meeting and function if requested to do so by the President
 - to assist the President to supervise the work of the AIBA HQs
 - to attend Executive Committee Meetings and any other meeting as requested by the President
 - to receive same rights and privileges as any Vice President.
 - **51.3 To be appointable as Executive Vice President, the candidate must be a current or former AIBA Vice President.**
 - **51.4 In the event that a current Vice President is appointed as Executive Vice President, then he or she will maintain his or her current position as Vice President, with the title of Executive Vice President being additional. If the appointed Executive Vice President is not a current Vice President, he or she shall not have voting rights.**



Article 55: External Auditors

- Current Article 55
 - Article 55.1:
 - AIBA will be audited by a qualified, independent auditing firm. The President will appoint an external professional audit company in consultation with the Treasurer.
- Proposed Amendment
 - Article 55.1:
 - AIBA will be audited by a qualified, independent auditing firm. **The President Executive Committee** will appoint an external professional audit company in consultation with the Treasurer.



Article 66: Court of Arbitration for Sport

- Current Article 66.1
 - AIBA recognizes the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS), with headquarters in Lausanne, Switzerland, as the authority to resolve appeals against decisions made in accordance with the AIBA Anti-Doping Rules only. Each Confederation and National Federation must recognize CAS as an independent judicial authority but, in this regard, in accordance with the AIBA Anti-Doping Rules only. AIBA, National Federations, Confederations, Boxers, Officials and Competition Officials must comply with the decisions passed by CAS.
- Proposed Amendment
 - AIBA recognizes the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS), with headquarters in Lausanne, Switzerland, as the authority to resolve appeals against decisions made in accordance with these Statutes and the AIBA Rules and Regulations ~~and the AIBA Anti-Doping Rules only.~~ Each Confederation and National Federation must recognize CAS as an independent judicial authority ~~but, in tis regard, in accordance with the AIBA Anti-Doping Rules only.~~ AIBA, National Federations, Confederations, Boxers, Officials and Competition Officials must comply with the decisions passed by CAS.



Article 66: Court of Arbitration for Sport

- Current Article 66.4
 - Appeals against decisions made in accordance with the AIBA Anti-Doping Rules must be filed in accordance with the provisions of the CAS Code of Sports-Related Arbitration. Appeals shall be lodged with CAS within 30 days of notification of the written decision in question. The appeal shall not have an injunctive effect. The Disciplinary Commission or CAS may order the appeal to have injunctive effect.
- Proposed Amendment
 - Appeals against decisions made in accordance with **these Statutes and the AIBA Rules and Regulations** ~~the AIBA Anti-Doping Rules~~ must be filed in accordance with the provisions of the CAS Code of Sports-Related Arbitration. Appeals shall be lodged with CAS within 30 days of notification of the written decision in question. The appeal shall not have an injunctive effect. The Disciplinary Commission or CAS may order the appeal to have injunctive effect.



Article 67 – Compliance with Decisions of AIBA

- Current Article 67
 - Confederations and National federations must comply fully with any decision passed by the Executive Committee, the EC Bureau, the Disciplinary Commission, the Ethics Commission or any other Commission which such decisions are, according to these Statutes, final and not subject to appeal. Confederations and National Federations must take every precaution necessary to ensure that their own Boxers, Officials and Competition Officials comply with these decisions.
- Proposed Amendment
 - Confederations and National Federations must comply fully with any decision passed by the Executive Committee, the EC Bureau, the Disciplinary Commission, the Ethics Commission or any other Commission which such decisions are, according to these Statutes, final and not subject to appeal **except to the CAS**. Confederations and National Federations must take every precaution necessary to ensure that their own Boxers, Officials and Competition Officials comply with these decisions.

