

IFR AGM 2005

Thursday 23 June 2005, San Francisco
Att- as per list

9.15am start – opening by AC – thanks to SFFR for hosting.
SFFR Pres Garrett made some admin comments and thanked his organizing committee.

ROLL CALL IFR Treas read out attendance list
24 present

There was no request to hold a teleconference with any club representative.

BOARD AC introduced the Steering committee

AGENDA – AC gave overview of Officers of IFR

PROXY – Ottawa to Dave Mc, Les Galopins to Rachel and Canberra FR to Wayne

BOARD REPORT...

AC gave overview of past year – FGG and GLISA. A letter was sent to FGG about any conflict of interest (AC read it out). The response from FGG was also read out..

A SGM meeting was conducted electronically and as a result IFR decided to join GLISA.
GLISA has approved our membership in a letter dated 25/4/05.

Proposed changes to constitution will be determined at this AGM.

Len Tritsch & Greg Larocque were appointed as interim delegates to GLISA.

Soren Molmberg (Copenhagen FR) was elected as European rep.

Warren Snaider spoke about the OUTreach committee's work. There will be a break out session later today.

OUTreach to women committee – Denver D produced a list of 28 ideas to target women into Frontrunners.

Reminder to all clubs to keep the website info up-to-date. It's important.

There is also available a "Starters Kit" – 6 sent out last year. Kits are available from Boston FR club. CDs available. Brad M asked for any updated marketing material to be sent to him electronically.

New IFR member clubs: Lyon, Dublin, Adelaide, Oslo,

64 Frontrunner clubs are members of IFR – 40 clubs are not members.
Some of these may be inactive.... Brad would like to be informed of any updates.

There will be a b/out session on club Treasurers and admin officers of club.

Each member club may have as many delegates at the IFR AGM but each member club can only have one vote.

Treas report.

Paper reports.

Balance Cr \$5159.09

A few larger clubs have not paid their fees this year – this will be chased up.

Regional reps encouraged to chase up clubs who have not yet paid.

Moved by Warren S & 2nd Wayne M that the Treas report be accepted.

Break.

10.55am restart

FGG Delegates report: Richard Newman

Paper presented.

General discussion on the what is happening in FGG over the next 6 months. Major role is to select the hosts for GG8 in 2012.

Moved Warren S seconded by Gary F – report accepted.

The Proxy situation was clarified – there being 3 proxies.

GLISA

Len Tritsch – paper presented.

Needs of T&F have been highlighted to GLISA Board and North American G&L Sport Federation.

Rachel C also provided an update of NAGLSF.

Much discussion on how the GLISA reps would take care of IFR interests when it was continental based.

Jim Smith moved and Warren S seconded that we accept the report.

2006 IFR AGM

AC spoke on Chicago AGM to be held July 12 & 14th 2006.

LUNCH

Resume 1.45pm

The actual voting delegates for each club with multiple delegates was defined.

The minutes of the 2004 AGM was previously circulated electronically.

Motion to accept the minutes of the IFR AGM 2004 was moved Gary F and seconded by Len T. Accepted.

GLISA report and delegate roles.

- Rachel C provided an overview of some items for a delegate job description
- Scheduling of events
- Our expertise in field events
- How can we assist with expertise generally
- Reps should feedback to the IFR board
- Reps to be involved with sub-committee activities
- Combining age groups
- Combing track & field with distance running to “Athletics”

M2006 Update – Rachel Corbett

- new marathon course (possible cobblestones)
- half marathon will not have cobblestones
- triathlon will be in a basin area with treated water
- papers presented
- 5000 participants

CGG Update – Suzi Arnold

- Powerpoint presentation
- Advised on Track and Field, Distance Runs and the Rainbow Run
- Accommodation
- 3000 paid participants

BREAK

Proposed constitutional changes

AC outlined reasons for proposed changes

Clause Section 9.1 – general discussion of makeup of IFR Steering committee

Session deferred until Friday

Breakout sessions

Close of day 1 – 5.15pm

DAY TWO

Friday 25 June 2005 – San Francisco Pride Centre

Start 9.00am

AC thanked the organisers from SFFR who arranged the hosted dinners last night.

Welcome to John Miles from Baylands FR who joined the conference.

IFR Constitution – readjourned

Discussion on changes to constitution

Historical foundation of IFR; future of multi-sports events;

Gary F moved that Pres appoint a task force to come up with a recommended changes to the mission statement of IFR constitution. Seconded Richard N

Roll call was made by Treasurer

Discussion continued on motion on the table.

Amendment to motion – “that and aims and objectives” be added to the task force activity.

Amendment to motion - That task force be completed within 30 days

In favour	12
Against	07
Abstain	01

Motion will now be “that Pres appoint a task force to come up with a recommended changes to the mission statement and aims and objectives of IFR constitution – this activity to be completed within 30 days.” AGREED

Task force will comprise

Warren S, Dave Mc, Richard N, Brad M & Gary F

Section 2 change:- Motion was put

Favour	20	
Opposed	nil	
Abstain	nil	ACCEPTED

Section 9.1 - whether to make a change to the IFR constitution

Favour	18	
Opposed	03	
Abstain	nil	ACCEPTED

The two alternative proposed amendments for Clause 9.1 were discussed....

9.1

First option

Favour 1

Second option

Favour 17

Abstain 03

The second option with minor amendments was ACCEPTED

Clause 9.3

Approved 19

Opposed nil

Abstain 02 ACCEPTED

Clause 9.4

Approved 19

Opposed 01

Abstain nil ACCEPTED

Motion By Richard N that to amend the mission statement taskforce to evaluate the constitution of IFR in order to attain organisational neutrality. Seconded by Gary F

Approved 21

Opposed nil

Abstain nil ACCEPTED

Clause 9.8

Approved 19

Opposed 03

Abstain nil ACCEPTED

Clause 10.1

Approved 21

Opposed nil

Abstain nil

Resume 11.15am

NEW BUSINESS

1. CGG Partnership programme:-

WM spoke about becoming part of the partnership programme with Chicago Gay Games. AC read from the official email about the programme.

Motion by Wayne M that IFR join the CGG Partnership programme. Seconded by Richard N

Approved	20	
Opposed	nil	
Abstain	01	ACCEPTED

2. Benefits of joining IFR

Discussion on how IFR can let general membership of clubs know what is happening at IFR AGM's. Not just minutes but highlights of activities so that members are aware of benefits. Discounts to IFR members. IFR membership cards.

Motion moved by Jim Smith "That IFR President appoint a task force be appointed to make recommendations on how IFR can bring value to clubs/individuals and communicate those values/benefits to individual frontrunners. Jim Smith to be part of the task force. Seconded by Warren S
ACCEPTED

Volunteers – Jim Smith, Richard Newman, Phil Slater, Alden Clark, Jeff Holman. To be completed by 206 AGM

LUNCH

Resumed 1.30pm

New Business continued.

IFR activity for CGG? AC called for ideas – decided that the OUTreach group might like to further develop this activity.

Breakout sessions report:

i)TREASURERS & ADMIN – individual membership cards

ii)WOMEN IN FRONTRUNNERS – (everyone has been emailed this item).

Denver D presented the paper to the conference

- discussed how to attract and keep women in our clubs

- Anne Ludwig from SFFR will assist with Task force. Brad M & Denver D will also join this group. AC will email clubs for further volunteers.

Gary F moved that the IFR President form a task force to investigate Women's Outreach. Seconded by Brad M
ACCEPTED

Suggestion that Gender Parity and Diversity be included in every IFR AGM.

iii)OUTREACH Group

Warren S reported.

IFR ads? May work but have to be carefully designed/worded

Pre Games social event (both events) – to encourage new runners into the FR world.
CGG & M2006 will be able to supply names beforehand.

Twinning/Sister cities – work with local councils/cities to encourage clubs in new areas.

Eurogames – target this event for invitations to form new clubs

Target women; target walkers; stage an event in another country; Rainbow run at CGG ability to invite all runners to join in. Rachel C will compile a full list of suggestions and will be distributed.

We will be mindful to use other languages than English in our literature.

All breakout sessions groups will follow up throughout the year.

BUDGET

Gary F presented a budget for IFR for the forthcoming year.

Decided to increase Delegate reimbursements from \$500 to \$1000 (\$500 for each Games)

Outreach, development will have a budget of \$500 for each Games ...CGG & M2006 Ttl \$1000

Moved by Wayne M and seconded by Brad M that the Treasurers proposed budget be accepted. ACCEPTED

It was agreed to include the four Organisational delegates on the Steering committee.

In favour	21
Opposed	nil
Abstain	nil

2007 IFR AGM

- a Eurogames venue might be suitable
- AC read out the IFR AGM requirements
- WM suggested Hong Kong/Fiji as a possible venue
- maybe Honolulu – Richard N – February

- IFR needs to contact NYFR if they are keen to host the 2008 meeting with a T&F event
- there will be electronic vote on the venue

ELECTION OF FGG DELEGATES

Richard N was nominated Elected unopposed

ELECTION OF GLISA DELEGATES

Len Tritsch was nominated - two year period

Greg Larocque (Running Moose Squad) was nominated – one year period

Elected unopposed

ELECTION OF REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

EASTERN USA

Alden Clark was re-elected

SOUTH/CENTRAL USA

Gary Fracassi was re-elected

EUROPE

- No delegate at this stage but AC will contact Soren to have the European clubs get together and make a decision

AC requested that the Steering committee get together soon after this mtg to formulate officers.

A vote of acclamation was made to thank the President and members of San Francisco Frontrunners for their hard work in making the AGM so successful.

Vote of thanks to Alden C for chairing the AGM.

The meeting closed at 3.45pm