

Minutes of the WUSV General Annual Assembly
on
September 26th, 2022
in Nuremberg

Beginning: 9.00 hours

Item 1) Formalities

1.1. Greetings of the President

The president, Professor Dr Heinrich Meßler, welcomes the WUSV board of directors, the delegates, and the guests as well as the representatives of the WUSV headquarters to the WUSV General Annual Assembly 2022.

1.2. Official Opening of the Assembly

The meeting was opened in an orderly fashion at 09.42 hours. The president asks the congregation present to rise and commemorate Clemens Lux, Luciano Musolino, Rafael de Santiago, and Hans W. Müller who all passed away this year.

Elena Shchyra – delegate of the Ukrainian German Shepherd Dog club and WUSV Continental Director – gives thanks for the generous donations and strong support her club received during this time of hardship and war against her country.

1.3. Invitation to the Assembly – confirmation compliance with deadline for delivery

The Secretariat General sent out the invitation letters, the agenda, and the corresponding attachments to the member organizations and board members in due time on August 12th, 2022. Thus, the deadline according to § 16 of the WUSV statutes was properly complied with.

1.4. Determination of Presence of the WUSV Member Associations and Quorum

Those present were:

The President to the WUSV:

Professor Dr Heinrich Meßler; 1 vote

The Board Members to the WUSV:

René Rudin, Schweiz 1 vote

Roberto Caputi, Ecuador 1 vote

Mr. Imran Husain, Pakistan 1 vote

The Secretary Generals to the WUSV:

Mr. Hartmut Setecky, Deutschland no vote

The Member Clubs to the WUSV:

Argentina:

Club Argentino de Criadores del Perro Ovejero Alemán 3 votes
Gustavo Tarantino & Ezequiel Landera

Australia:

German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia Inc. 4 votes
Melanie Groth & Janet Haase

Austria:

Österr. Verein für Deutsche Schäferhunde (SVÖ) 7 votes

Josef Schallegruber & Edgar Pertl

Belgium:	
Vereniging voor Dutise Herdeshonden (VVDH)	3 vote
Philip Michielsen	
Bulgaria:	
Bulgarian Club for German Shepherd Dogs	0 vote
Kancho Tanev & Dimitar Yordanov	
Canada:	
German Shepherd Schutzhund Club of Canada	3 votes
Sarah Barnes	
China:	
Chinesischer Verein für Deutsche Schäferhunde (CSV)	6 votes
Qing Li	
Columbia:	
Asociación Columbiana Perros Pastores Alemanes	2 votes
Felipe Rodriguez	
Cyprus:	
Cyprus German Shepherd Club	2 votes
Evagoras Theodosiou & Loukas Zouridis	
Czech Republic.:	
Breeder Club for German Shepherd Dogs	3 votes
Otakar Meloun & Dr. Jiri Tychý	
Ecuador:	
Asociación de Criadores de Perros Ovejeros Alemanes	2 votes
Roberto Caputi Maldonado & Roberto Caputi Tinoco	
Egypt:	
German Shepherd Club of Egypt – GSDCE	2 votes
Ashraf Sileem	
El Salvador:	
Asociacion Salvadorena del Pastor Alemán	2 votes
Maria Teresa Escalante Sol & José R. Espinal Escobar	
Finnland:	
SPL-Saksanpaimenkoraliitto ry	5 votes
Sami Baggström & Tuula Baggström	
Germany:	
Verein für Deutsche Schäferhunde (SV) e.V.	51 votes
Helmut Buß & Bernd Weber	
Greece:	
The Hellenic German Shepherd Dog Club	2 votes
George Giannoulis & Katarina Papakonstantino	
Great Britain:	
German Shepherd Dog League of Great Britain	2 votes
Carole Lister & Paul Bradley	
Guatemala:	
Asociación Guatemalteca del Pastor Alemán (AGPA)	2 votes
Alberto Gamboa & Carlos Rivera Gallardo	

Hong Kong:	
German Shepherd Dog Club of Hong Kong	2 votes
Yat Kuen Kwan & Yip Hay Tang	
Hungary:	
Magyar Ebtenyésztők Országos Egyesülete (MEOESZ)	2 votes
Andrea Dér & Dr. Diana Zubericsány, interpreter	
India:	
The German Shepherd Dog Club of India	2 votes
Jaskirat Singh Sethi	
Indonesia:	
Indonesian German Shepherd Club	2 votes
Thie Hong Peng & Hery Lau	
Israel:	
German Shepherd Dog Club of Israel	2 votes
Nataly Koifman & Zeev Koifman	
Italy:	
Società Amatori Schäferhunde (SAS)	7 votes
Michele Pianelli & Carlo Prastaro	
Morocco:	2 votes
Club du Chien Berger Allemand (CCBA)	
Dr Karim Laraki	
Mexico:	
Club Canofilo Mexicano de Pastor Alemán	2 votes
Luis Eduardo Alonso Aceves & Dr. Francisco Navarro Reynoso	
Mongolia:	
GSD Association of Mongolia (Patenmitglied)	2 votes
Soronzonbold Otgonzul	
The Netherlands:	
V.D.H Netherlands	5 votes
Romy Vondenhoff-Snijders & Toine Jonkers	
Norway:	
Norsk Schaeferhund Klub HS Hauptverein	4 votes
Svein Nilsen & Leif Vidar Belgen	
Pakistan	
German Shepherd Dog Club of Pakistan	4 votes
Nasir Ishaq Malik	
Paraguay: Club Ovejero Alemán Del Paraguay	2 votes
José Roberto Arzamendia Caselli & Eduardo Du Bois	
Peru:	
Asoc. Peruana de Criad.de Perros Pastores Alemanes	2 votes
Almudena de la Guerra & Luz María Harten	
Philippines:	
German Shepherd Dog Federation of the Philippines	2 votes
Ryan Sia & Jacinto Tan	

Poland: Klub Owczarka Niemieckiego KON Krzysztof Dobrzanski & Dariusz Makarewicz	2 votes
Portugal: Pastor Alemão Clube de Portugal José Manuel Machado Ferreira	2 votes
Sweden: Svenska Schaeferhundklubben Peter Schorling	3 votes
Switzerland: Schweizerischer Schäferhunde Club (SC) René Rudin	5 votes
Serbia: Asocijacija nemackih ovčara Srbije (ANOS) Ivan Lukic	2 votes
Singapore: German Shepherd Dog Club of Singapore Say Teck Yap	2 votes
Slovak Republic: Slovenska unia chovateľov nemeckých ovčiakov Albin Majsniar & Ivan Kocajda	3 votes
Spain: Real Club Español del Perro de Pastor Alemán Rodrigo González Campuzano & Luis Soldevilla Benito	3 votes
Southern Africa: German Shepherd Dog Federation of South Africa Frikkie van Kraayenburg & Spencer Tarr	3 votes
South Korea: Korean Kennel Club Young-Bai Lim & Joo-Young Lee, interpreter	3 votes
South Korea: Korean Kennel Federation Ha Kyung Song & Hye Lin Kim	2 votes
Taiwan: German Shepherd Dog Association of Taiwan Ting-Ye Kao	2 votes
Taiwan: Taiwan Kennel Association (TKA) Ching-Te Hsu	2 votes

Ukraine:
Central Club for German Shepherd Dogs in Ukraine 2 votes
Elena Shchyra & Tatjana Kolotrinova

USA:
German Shepherd Dog Club of America 4 votes
Pamela Wolf-O'Dell & Candee Foss

USA :
United Schutzhund Clubs of America 5 votes
Vadim Plotsker

The WUSV Junior Member Clubs:

Brazil:
Clube Brasileiro do Pastor Alemão (CBPA) no vote
José Graca Aranha

Kuwait:
Kuwait K9 Association – KK9A (Patenmitglied) no vote
Ali Al Naser & Astrid Poirier

Lebanon:
Societe du Chien de Berger Allemand (Patenmitglied) no vote
Christian Christoforidis & Samir Abi Farah

Aspirants for Junior Membership (with no voting power):

Uganda: German Shepherd Dog Club Uganda (GSDCU)
Gideon Amahoro Odijie

Jordania: German Shepherd Dog Club of Jordan
Waleed Itum

Poland: Klub Hodowcow Rasy Owczarek Niemiecko (KHRON)
Pawel Swiniarski & Aneta Urbaniak (interpreter)

The Keeper of the Minutes:

Helga Seidel, Germany

The Continental Directors (with no voting power)

Great Britain – Heather Macdonald
Guatemala – Carlos Enrique Rivera Gallardo (also see delegate Costa Rica)
Morocco – Dr Karim Laraki (also see delegate Morocco)
Perú – Dr Jorge Vega Soyer
Singapore – Seng Teck Yap (also see delegate Singapore)
Spain – Rodrigo González Campuzano (also see cash auditor & delegate Spain)
Ukraine – Elena Shchyra (also see delegate Ukraine)
USA – Dr Morton Goldfarb

The Cash Auditors: (with no voting power)

Josef Schallegruber (also see delegate Austria)
Rodrigo González Campuzano (also see Continental Director & delegate Spain)
Shirleyanne Hutchinson – UK (Deputy Cash Auditor)

The Judges: (with no voting power)

Bernd Weber – Germany (also see delegate Germany)
Lutz Wischalla – Germany

Guests to the Meeting (with no voting power)

Wolfram Behrendt – WUSV Press Officer

Those not present were:

Algeria: Societe Algerienne Du Chien de Berger Allemand (Junior Member)

Belarus: Club of German Shepherd Dog Owners in Belarus

Belgium: Royal Club du Berger Allemand de Belgique

Bolivia: Club Boliviano de Criadores del Pastor Ovejero Alemán

Bosnia-Herzegovina: Association of German Shepherd Breeder Clubs in Bosnia and Herzegovina (Junior Member)

Chile: Club Chileno de Criadores Ovejeros Alemanes Chilcoa

Costa Rica: Asociación Ovejero Alemán de Costa Rica

Croatia: Zajednica Udruga Uzgajivaca Njemackih Ovcara Hrvatske

Denmark: Schaeferhundeklubben for Danmark

Estonia: Eesti Saksa Lambakoerte Ühing (ESLÜ)

Great Britain: British Association for German Shepherd Dogs

Hungary: Magyarorszagi Nemet Juhaszkutya Klub (MNJK)

Indonesia: Indonesian German Shepherd Club

Iran: German Shepherd Dog Club of Iran

Ireland: The National German Shepherd Working Dog Association

Ireland: German Shepherd Dog Club of Ireland

Japan: GSD Association of Japan (JPDS)

Jersey/ Chan. Isl. German Shepherd Schutzhund Center Jersey (Junior Member)

Kazakhstan: Club for German Shepherd Dogs of the Republic of Kazakhstan

Kenia: East Africa German Shepherd Dog League (Junior Member)

Kyrgyzstan: Club for German Shepherd Dogs of the Republic of Kyrgyzstan (Junior Member)

Letvia: Club for German Shepherd Dogs Letvia

Lithuania: Deutscher Schäferhunde Verein in Litauen

Luxemburg: Centrale Luxembourgeoise du Sport pour Chiens d' Utilite

Malaysia: German Shepherd Dog Club of Malaysia

Macedonia: Macedonian German Shepherd Dog Club (Junior Member)

Moldavia: Moldovan Club for German Shepherd Dogs (Junior Member)

Montenegro: Asocijacija nemackih ovcara Crne Gore – ANOCCG (Junior Member)

Nicaragua: Asociación del Pastor Alemán Nicaragüense (Junior Member)

Panamá: Federación Canofila de Perros Pastores Alemanes Panamá

Rumania: Clubul National de Ciobanesc German

Russia: Russian Club for the Proprietors of German Shepherd Dogs

Slovenia: Kinolosko DNOS

Thailand: German Shepherd Dog Association of Thailand

Trinidad & Tobago: German Shepherd Breed Club of Trinidad & Tobago

Turkey: German Shepherd Dog Breed and Sport Club
Uruguay: Soc. Uruguayana de Criad. D. Perros Ovejeros Alem.(SVU)
Uzbekistan: Commonwealth of the Proprietors of Germ. Sheph. (Junior Member)
Venezuela: Asoc.de Criadores del Perro Pastor Aleman d.V. (Junior Member)
Vietnam: German Shepherd Dog Club of Vietnam (VSV)
The Continental Director Jinfei Chen (China)

The results of the vote tallying are as follows:

The WUSV member clubs are called up individually by the Secretary General. The congregation composed of the delegates and the board of directors consists of 192 votes out of 248 possible votes, and thus quorum is reached.

The delegate from India arrives late at 11.00 hours. Thus, the assembly has two more votes – 194 in total.

1.5. Approval of the Agenda

The agenda of the WUSV General Annual Assembly 2022 is approved of by all authorized parties present. No additions are requested by the delegates.

The delegate of the Czech Republic requests a change of the order of the present agenda and first start with the voting for the proposals. The elections of the WUSV Board of Directors and cash auditors shall then be held after item 10 is finalized. The proposal is voted upon by acclamation.

Vote: The majority of the party present votes to continue with the order of the present agenda.

Item 2) Minutes of the Meeting 2019

The minutes of the meeting dated September 09, 2019 is unanimously approved of. No complaints were raised.

Item 3) Annual Reports & Lectures

3.1. Report of the President

3.1.1. State of Affairs – FCI

President Meßler reports about the outcome of the legal procedure against the FCI and that the monopolistic conduct of this organization was punished. A separate case in Spain against the FCI-Club in that country even entailed a considerable monetary penalty.

By the same token he points out that the WUSV is also an organization with monopolistic structures and thus it is important to work on amendments and changes of the WUSV Statutes where relevant. This topic shall be addressed under item 6.

3.2. Report of the Secretary General

No additional information is to be reported.

Item 4) Finances

4.1. Report of the Cash Auditors for the business years 2019, 2020 & 2021

The cash auditor, Mr. Rodrigo González Campuzano, reports about the business years 2019, 2020 and 2021, and comments upon the major items on the balance sheet. He furthermore reports that the Augsburg Trust Company (ATG) carried out the orderly audit required. Mr. Schallegruber gives thanks to the WUSV Board of Directors and to the General Manager for their work during the past business year and requests the discharge of the WUSV Board of Directors for the beforementioned business years 2019, 2020 and 2021.

4.2. Audit Report & Economic Report

The delegates received the business plans for the years 2019, 2020 and 2021 as an attachment to the agenda as follows. No questions are asked.

4.2.1. 2019

4.2.2. 2020

4.2.3. 2021

4.3. Discharge of the WUSV Board of Directors

Vote: The proposal is unanimously accepted by the delegates with no dissenting votes and no abstention.

4.4. Election of the External Auditors

Hitherto, the Augsburgener Treuhand, branch of the ATG was in charge of the accounting of the WUSV. The secretary general proposes to continue the successful co-operation with the ATG. The proposal is unanimously accepted, with no dissenting votes or abstentions.

4.5. Election of Cash Auditors & Deputy Cash Auditors

The elections shall take place through acclamation. As candidates the gentlemen Mr. Josef Schallegruber from the SVÖ in Austria and Rodrigo Campuzano Gonzales from the Real Ceppa in Spain are proposed. Both gentlemen confirm their willingness to run for the office and accept their election in case of a positive vote.

Ms Shirleyanne Hutchinson from the German Shepherd Dog League of Great Britain is proposed as a deputy cash auditor. She likewise confirms her willingness to run for the office and accept her election in case of a positive vote.

Vote: The proposal is unanimously accepted by the delegates with no dissenting votes and no abstention.

Ms Hutchinson and the two gentlemen accept their respective elections with thanks.

4.6. Contribution Payments/ Deposit Payments/ Admission Fees – State of Affairs

Mr. Setecki reports about the membership fees that are still due for payment

4.7. Budget Plans

No questions are raised by the delegates.

4.7.1. Budget Plan 2019

4.7.2. Budget Plan 2020

4.7.3. Budget Plan 2021

4.8. Annual Review of Contribution Payments (proposal of the WUSV Board of Directors)

4.8.1. Open Items – Receivables Membership Fees 2020 to 2022

No adjustments are proposed by the board members.

Item 5) Election of WUSV Board of Directors

5.1. Appointment of Electoral Committee

The president proposes Mr. Hartmut Setecki and Shirleyanne Hutchinson as well as Helga Seidel as members to the electoral committee. The proposal is unanimously agreed to by the congregation.

At this instant the president passes on the chairmanship to the electoral committee which chose Mr. Setecki as their chairman.


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Professor Dr. Heinrich Meßler
WUSV President


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Hartmut Setecki,
WUSV Secretary General


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Helga Seidel, Keeper of the Minutes

5.2 Election of the

5.2.1. Vice President

As candidate Mr. René Rudin, is proposed. Mr. Rudin would be willing to take the office in case of a positive vote. He is the only candidate proposed by the assembly. The vote takes place by acclamation. Mr. Rudin is approved unanimously, with no opposing votes and no abstentions as WUSV Vice President. He gives thanks to the congregation and happily accepts his office.

5.2.2. Second Board Member

As candidate Roberto Caputi Tinoco is proposed. Mr. Caputi Tinoco would be willing to take the office in case of a positive vote. He is the only candidate proposed by the assembly. The vote takes place by acclamation. Mr. Caputi Tinoco is approved unanimously, with no opposing votes and no abstentions as WUSV Board of Directors member. He gives thanks to the congregation and gladly accepts his office.

5.2.3. Third Board Member

A written proposal was received on September 22nd, 2022, from the WUSV member club in the Slovak Republic – Slovenska unia chovatelov nemeckych ovciakov (SUCHNO) – for MU Dr Jiří Tichý from the Czech Republic. Upon request, Dr Tichý informs the assembly that he would not be available for the position to be elected since he cannot combine the office with his other commitments.

As candidates the gentlemen Vadim Plotsker and Jinfei Chen are proposed by the assembly.

Mr. Chen is not present to the assembly. No written statement in terms of a proxy by Mr. Chen is available in which he confirms his willingness to run for the office. WUSV Continental Director Rodrigo González Campuzano points out that the WUSV statutes do not provide for proxy and video conference voting. Secretary General Setecki explains that a person not present can only be voted for if a written consent was received. Thus, Mr. Chen cannot stand for the present election.

President Meßler proposes Imran Husain for re-election. Mr. Husain is not available to run for the office again after twelve years' time.

President Meßler gives thanks for the many years of fruitful cooperation and honours his tireless commitment for the WUSV. He wishes Imran Husain the very best for his future to come and the assembly bids him farewell with standing ovations.

Mr. Seng Teck Yap is proposed.

Dr Karim Laraki is proposed.

All three gentlemen Dr Karim Laraki, Vadim Plotsker and Seng Teck Yap would be willing to take the office in case of a positive vote.

Election Result:	184 cast votes
Vadim Plotsker	123 votes
Yap Seng Teck	47 votes
Dr Karim Laraki	14 votes
Void	04 votes

Thus, Vadim Plotsker is elected as a WUSV Board of Directors member. He gives thanks to the congregation for the trust he feels honoured with and happily accepts his new office.

The elections are now finalized and Mr. Setecki gives thanks to the members of the election committee and passes the chairmanship of the assembly back to the president, Professor Dr Meßler.



Hartmut Setecki
Chairman of the Electoral Committee



Helga Seidel
Keeper of the Minutes

Item 6) WUSV Statues – Changes & Amendments

6.1. **Proposal Establishment Working Committee review WUSV Statutes because of the antitrust legislation pending & for the review of the proposals for statutory amendments as listed below at 6.2 to 6.12. – Proposal WUSV Board of Directors 2022**

The proposal is unanimously accepted, and it is agreed that a working committee with the following persons shall be established: José Graça Aranha, Carlos Enrique Rivera, Rodrigo González Campuzano, Toine Jonkers, Edgar Pertl, Dr Jiri Tychý, and Dr Jorge Vega.

Secretary General Setecki now proceeds and addresses the following proposals for explanatory purposes and to find out the opinion of the assembly as a guideline for the working committee.

6.2. **General Provisions § 1 Name, Domicile, Sphere of Business, and Fiscal Year – WUSV Secretary General – Germany 2021 –**

Old Version:

The Umbrella Association is registered under the name "Weltunion der Schäferhundvereine (WUSV), e.V." at the local registration court in Augsburg/ Germany.

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New Version:

The Umbrella Association is registered under the name "**Weltunion der Vereine für Deutsche Schäferhunde (WUSV), e.V.**" at the local registration court in Augsburg/ Germany.

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The assembly is unanimously in favour of the proposal and wishes it to be passed on to the working committee.

6.3. § 4 Responsibilities and Legal Foundation – Slovak Republic 2022 –

Old Version:

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- (2) In addition to that, the WUSV controls its own business units based on the WUSV By-Laws the statute and regulations of the SV, unless specific regulations as issued by the WUSV will be provided for.

The applicable regulations are as follows:

- a) Regulations for Breed Surveys,
- b) Regulations for Breed Exhibitions
- c) Examination Regulations,
- d) Regulation for Judging Rules,
- e) Herding Regulations,

Those rules and regulations are on par with the statute.

Based on the breeding regulations of the SV, the WUSV issues international breeding regulations. Those are supposed to meet the different requirements in the countries affected, and at the same time to ensure a positive and general development of the breed in accordance with the objectives of the SV. Due to the crucial importance of this guideline competence the SV enjoys the right of veto in this respect.

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New Version:

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- (2) In addition to that, the WUSV controls its own business units based on the WUSV By-Laws the statute and regulations of the SV, unless specific regulations as issued by the WUSV will be provided for.

The applicable regulations are as follows:

- a) Regulations for Breed Surveys,
- b) Regulations for Breed Exhibitions
- c) Examination Regulations,
- d) Regulation for Judging Rules,
- e) Herding Regulations,

Those rules and regulations are on par with the statute.

Based on the breeding regulations of the SV, the WUSV issues international breeding regulations. Those are supposed to meet the different requirements in the countries affected, and at the same time to ensure a positive and general development of the breed in accordance with the objectives of the SV. ~~Due to the crucial importance of this guideline competence the SV enjoys the right of veto in this respect.~~

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The majority of the assembly is in favor of the proposal with one vote against it and wishes it to be passed on to the working committee.

6.4. § 9 Termination of Membership – Slovak Republic 2022

Old Version:

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- (6) Member organizations can be cancelled from the members list by the General Assembly upon proposal of the Board of Directors in case that the affected organization has failed to send a representative to attend the General Annual Meeting for three consecutive times, or if their organization demonstrably does no longer engage in activities, or if the minimum requirements in terms of the numbers of members is no longer met.

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New Version:

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- (6) Member organizations can be cancelled from the members list by the General Assembly upon proposal of the Board of Directors **in case that the affected organization has failed to send a representative to attend the General Annual Meeting for three consecutive times, or** if their organization demonstrably does no longer engage in activities, or if the minimum requirements in terms of the numbers of members is no longer met.

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The assembly is unanimously in favor of the proposal and wishes it to be passed on to the working committee.

6.5. § 11 Rights of Member Organizations – Slovak Republic 2022

Old Version:

- (1) The member organizations have equal rights. Exceptions hereof are defined in the statute. Member organizations shall not be entitled to any claims in terms of the umbrella association's assets. This also applies in case of the termination of membership in compliance with the above-mentioned stipulations. Exceptions hereof are defined in the statute.

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New Version:

- (1) The member organizations have equal rights. **Exceptions hereof are defined in the statute.** Member organizations shall not be entitled to any claims in terms of the umbrella association's assets. This also applies in case of the termination of membership in compliance with the above-mentioned stipulations. Exceptions hereof are defined in the statute.

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The assembly is unanimously in favor of the proposal and wishes it to be passed on to the working committee.

6.6. § 12 Duties of Member Organizations – Slovak Republic 2022

Old Version:

- (1) The member organizations are to comply with the commitments below:

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8. Ideally, the WUSV member organizations shall recognize the results of examinations, breeding valuations, certificates, and/ or breed surveys as issued by the other member organizations.

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New Version:

- (1) The member organizations are to comply with the commitments below:

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8. ~~Ideally, the~~The WUSV member organizations shall recognize the results of examinations, breeding valuations, certificates, and/ or breed surveys as issued by the other member organizations.

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The assembly is unanimously in favor of the proposal and wishes it to be passed on to the working committee.

6.7 § 16 Convocation of the General Assembly – proposal WUSV Secretary General 2022

Old Version

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- (2) Proposals shall be submitted to the head office by May 31 of the calendar year at the latest and shall be duly substantiated.

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New Version

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- (2) Proposals shall be submitted to the head office by ~~May 31~~ **March 10th** of the calendar year at the latest and shall be duly substantiated.

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The majority of the assembly is in favor of the proposal with two votes against it and wishes it to be passed on to the working committee.

6.8. § 17 Voting and Quorum of the General Assembly – Slovak Republic 2022

Old Version:

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- (6) As far as amendments of the statute and regulations according to § 15 (2), e) are concerned, and with respect to asset related issues of significant importance, the SV enjoys the right of veto in its capacity of the founding organization

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New Version: To be deleted

The assembly is unanimously in favor of the proposal and wishes it to be passed on to the working committee.

6.9. § 19 – Board of Directors – Slovak Republic 2022

- (1) Composition of the Board of Directors:

The Board of Directors consists of four members:

- a) the President,
- b) the Vice President
- c) two more members ...

New Version:

- (1) Composition of the Board of Directors:

The Board of Directors consists of **nine** members:

- a) the President,
- b) the Vice President
- c) ~~two more members~~ **seven more members elected by the General Assembly**

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The assembly is unanimously against the proposal.

6.10. § 19 – Board of Directors – Spain 2022

Old Version:

- (1) Composition of the Board of Directors:
The Board of Directors consists of four members:
a) the President,
b) the Vice President
c) two more members

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New Version:

- (1) Composition of the Board of Directors:
The Board of Directors consists of **five** members:
a) the President,
b) the Vice President
c) two more members
d) **the past president, if different from the SV president-elect. The maximum term of office shall be one legislative term.**

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Vote: 19 delegates vote in favor of the proposal – 18 delegates vote against the proposal.

The proposal is to be passed on to the working committee.

6.11. § 21 – Election and Term of Office of the Board of Directors – Slovak Republic 2022

Old Version:

- (1) The president of the WUSV is also the president of the SV. Optionally, the SV can assign another member of the SV Board of Directors for that office

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New Version:

- (1) **The president of WUSV is elected by the members of the Board of Directors (9 members) from among themselves.**

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This is a follow up decision regarding the number board members and likewise goes to the committee

6.12. § 29 – Amendments of Statutes and Regulations – Slovak Republic 2022

Old Version:

- (1) Changes and amendments to the statutes and regulations require a two thirds majority of the votes of the members to the General Assembly. Resolutions are to be taken on the occasion of the General Assembly. The founding association SV enjoys the right of veto. The general manager of the SV is to be informed about intended changes to the statute. If the information is passed on in a timely fashion that allows the Federal Assembly of the SV to address the subject before the next General Assembly of the WUSV, the power of veto shall be exercised on the occasion of the next General Assembly at the latest. If the information is not passed on in a timely fashion that allows the SV Federal Assembly to address the subject before the next WUSV General Assembly, the SV has to exercise its power of veto one month after the SV Federal Assembly following the last WUSV General Assembly at the latest possible date. A written vote is not admissible.

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New Version:

- (1) Changes and amendments to the statutes and regulations require a two thirds majority of the votes of the members to the General Assembly. Resolutions are to be taken on the occasion of the General Assembly. **The founding association SV enjoys the right of veto. The general manager of the SV is to be informed about intended changes to the statute. If the information is**

~~passed on in a timely fashion that allows the Federal Assembly of the SV to address the subject before the next General Assembly of the WUSV, the power of veto shall be exercised on the occasion of the next General Assembly at the latest. If the information is not passed on in a timely fashion that allows the SV Federal Assembly to address the subject before the next WUSV General Assembly, the SV has to exercise its power of veto one month after the SV Federal Assembly following the last WUSV General Assembly at the latest possible date.~~ A written vote is not admissible.

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The assembly is unanimously in favor of the proposal and wishes it to be passed on to the working committee.

Item 7) WUSV By-Laws – Changes & Amendments

It is decided that all following items down to top 10 shall go into the working committee.

7.1. § 13 – Charges & Membership Fees WUSV Member Clubs – Germany 2021

Old Version:

§ 13 Changes and Amendments to the By-Laws

Changes and amendments to the By-Laws shall be decided by the WUSV Board of Directors.

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New Version:

§ 13 Contribution Payments, Charges and Levies

1. The WUSV charges contribution payments and fees

1.1. Membership Fees

a) Junior Members

Upon submission of the proposal for membership within the WUSV a one-time fee amounting to 500.00 € shall be charged. Regardless of the result of the application procedure this amount shall not be reimbursed. Reference is made to § 8 of the WUSV Statutes. The annual membership fee for junior members is 1000.00 € and payable at the beginning of each calendar year. Upon request statistical data are to be provided.

b) Trial Membership/ Full Membership

The annual membership fee for trial- and full members include

- a basic annual rate amounting to 750,00 €
- plus, a per capita contribution amounting to 0.50 € per member
- the annual minimum fee amounts to 800.00 €, regardless of the amounts as listed above.

For the calculation of the membership fees the member clubs are obligated to submit statistical data in terms of their membership numbers as per December 31st of the previous calendar year. In case that a member club does not meet with this requirement the WUSV is entitled to take the average number of memberships of the past three years as a basis. The membership fee is payable in accordance with the deadline specified in the invoice.

Changes of the membership fees require the vote of the delegates to the General Annual Assembly with a two-thirds majority of the total votes.

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- For special services rendered, fees can be charged. The determination of the fees falls under the responsibilities of the WUSV Board of Directors.

2. Levies

In case of extraordinary financial requirements, the delegates to the WUSV General Annual Assembly can resolve levies upon proposal of the WUSV Board of Directors.

The levying can only be imposed once during a given business year. The levy raised may not exceed 50% of the annual membership fee of the individual member clubs.

7.2. § 13 – Change of the By-Laws – Conversion of § 13 in § 14 with the purpose of the inclusion of a new item for § 13 – Germany 2021

Old Version:

§ 13 Changes and Amendments to the By-Laws

Changes and amendments to the By-Laws shall be decided by the WUSV Board of Directors.

New Version:

§ 14 Changes and Amendments to the By-Laws

Changes and amendments to the By-Laws shall be decided by the WUSV Board of Directors.

Item 8) Change of WUSV Awarding Regulation – proposal WUSV Secretary General 2022

8.1. § 3 – Awards for Special Merits to the Benefit of the WUSV – WUSV Secretary General – 2022

Old Version:

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1. The WUSV Badge of Honor in Silver can be awarded to persons having performed long-term services to the benefit of a WUSV member organization, and thus contribute to the benefit, and reputation of the WUSV, and the German Shepherd Dog breed at national level.
 - The award can be presented to persons dedicated to the field of breeding, training, and organizational services. The persons to be awarded have to be a member of their national clubs for a minimum period of at least ten years, and for the same period of time serve as volunteers to their organization.
 - The Awarding Ceremony has to be carried out in a festive setting on the occasion of an event celebrated by the national club, and the badge of honor is to be accompanied by a certificate that reflects upon the merits of the person to be honored.
 - Proposals can be submitted by the Board of Directors of the national club. As a rule, every WUSV member organization shall be allocated one WUSV Badge of Honor in Silver per 1000 members respectively per year.
 - The award can be revoked in case of undeserving respectively unworthy conduct upon resolution of the General Annual Assembly.

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New Version:

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1. The **WUSV Badge of Honor in Bronze** can be awarded to persons having performed special and long-term services to the benefit of their national clubs in terms of breeding, training, and organizational contributions, and thus contribute to the overall benefit and reputation of the WUSV, in particular at international level. This award is meant to be for persons who have already received the awards as listed under § 2 for previous events.
 - The person to be honored has to be a member to a WUSV member organization.
 - The Awarding Ceremony has to be carried out in a festive setting, and the needle of merit is to be accompanied by a special certificate that reflects upon the merits of the person to be honored, and has to be presented on the

occasion of either a WUSV event or on a major event of the person's national club.

- Proposals can be submitted by the WUSV Board of Directors and/ or the Board of Directors of the local club of the person to be honored.
- The award can be revoked in case of undeserving respectively unworthy conduct upon resolution of the General Annual Assembly.

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If consent is granted by the delegates to the WUSV General Annual Assembly in terms of the insertion of number 1, the following paragraphs of the regulation shall be renumbered accordingly.

8.2. § 3 – Awards for Special Merits to the Benefit of the WUSV – WUSV Secretary General – 2022

Old Version:

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5. The **WUSV Needle of Honor in Gold with Brilliants** can be awarded to persons having performed long term services to the benefit of the organization, and to the cynological world in general, in particular if the person to be honored performs in an outstanding fashion to the benefit, and greater good of the reputation of the organization. The persons to be awarded have to be a member of their national clubs for a minimum period of at least fifteen years, and for the same period of time serve as volunteers to their organization.
 - The award can be revoked in case of undeserving respectively unworthy conduct upon resolution of the General Annual Assembly.by a majority decision.
 - The award can be revoked in case of undeserving respectively unworthy conduct upon resolution of the General Annual Assembly.

New Version: To be deleted

8.3. § 5 – Awards to Non-Members of the WUSV respectively WUSV member organizations – WUSV Secretary General – 2022

Old Version:

1. Awards of honor can be presented to promotors and sponsors having dedicated their services and commitment to the benefit and reputation of the WUSV.
2. The Awarding Ceremony has to be carried out in a festive setting on the occasion of a WUSV event, and the badge of honor is to be accompanied by a certificate that reflects upon the merits of the person to be honored.
3. Proposals can be submitted by the WUSV Board of Directors, and/ or the Board of Directors of a member organization.
4. The award can be revoked in case of undeserving respectively unworthy conduct upon decision of the WUSV Board of Directors.

New Version: To be deleted

Item 9) Change of WUSV Breeding Program – Harmonisation Rules State 2019

9.1. Admission Regulations – 4. Mutual recognition of Breed Permissions (page 7 of the WUSV Breeding Program) – Spain 2021

Old Version:

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The national organizations are entitled to mutually recognize their respective regulations for breed permission in accordance with the WUSV breeding program.

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New Version:

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The national organizations are entitled to mutually recognize their respective regulations for breed permission in accordance with the WUSV breeding program.

All WUSV member clubs must (duty of obligation) recognize German Shepherd Dogs that meet all the objective requirements included in the WUSV Breeding Harmonization Program, not excluding that the dog is registered in a studbook of a non-FCI WUSV club.

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9.2. Breeding Regulations – 7. Hip Joint Dysplasia (HD) Procedure – 7.1. General (page 10 of the WUSV Breeding Program) – Germany 2021

Old Version:

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7.Hip Joint Dysplasia (HD)-Procedure

7.1 General

A hip joint dysplasia is a pathological alteration of the hip joints in the area of the hip in the articular cavity and the femoral head. The degrees of severity range from mild to severe forms.

~~The diagnostic procedures are described in the implementation rules for HD/ ED.~~

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New Version: a

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7.Hip Joint Dysplasia (HD)-Procedure

7.1 General

A hip joint dysplasia is a pathological alteration of the hip joints in the area of the hip in the articular cavity and the femoral head. The degrees of severity range from mild to severe forms.

The diagnostic procedures HD are described in the SV Breeding Regulations under section 5.

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Vote: Since this proposal is only of editorial character, the assembly unanimously votes in favour of it.

9.3. Suspension of Harmonisation Rules pending an Investigation on Achievability – South Africa & Australia 2022

Old Version: Harmonisation Rules as published

New Version: The Harmonisation program should be suspended until a thorough investigation has been concluded to determine exactly what the various countries are individually capable of in the interests of the German Shepherd Dog (GSD) in each separate WUSV member-country.

The proposal was withdrawn by the proposing clubs.

Item 10) Membership & Miscellaneous Proposals

10.1. Information Development Membership & Cooperation

A report regarding the status of membership is given and the Secretary General kindly asks for a better participation. A statistical yearbook is planned for more transparency in terms of events and the event calendar.

President Meßler briefly addresses the issue of double representation within the WUSV which must be avoided but by the same token second clubs in a country must be given access to our activities. No questions are raised.

10.2. Algeria: *Junior Club Societe Algerienne Du Chien De Berger Allemand (SACBA)* – Proposal for full membership from 2021

The assembly is informed that the required membership numbers in accordance with § 8 of the WUSV Statutes was not met which requires a minimum of 200 members for the admission as a full member to the WUSV. The club shall be informed accordingly by the WUSV Secretariat General.

10.3. Australia: *German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia Inc.* – Germany 2022 – Proposal Exclusion from Membership WUSV

The President reports about fruitful discussion with the clubs' representative. The proposal is withdrawn.

10.4. Brazil: Junior Club *Clube Brasileiro do Pastor Alemão (CBPA)* – Proposal for full membership from 2021

The club's representative, Mr. José Graca Aranha, offers a brief review of the past decades and the development of the club.

Vote: The club is unanimously admitted as a full member to the WUSV.

10.5. Jordan: Proposal for Junior Membership – *German Shepherd Dog Club of Jordan* – proposal September 28th, 2018

The clubs' representative, Mr. Waleed Itum, offers a brief review of the past years and the development of the club.

Vote: The club is unanimously admitted as a Junior Member to the WUSV.

10.6. Poland: Proposal for Junior Membership – *Klub Hodowcow Rasy Owczarek Niemiecko (KHRON)* – Proposal May 06th, 2022

President Meßler reports about the state of affairs. Irregularities have been reported about the WUSV full member KON. The WUSV Board of Directors decided to suspend the Klub Owczarka Niemieckiego (KON) and put the club under observation and admit KHRON on a preliminary basis to the WUSV as a Junior Club. KHRON presents itself through an interpreter.

A representative of the Khon presents the club's point of view and defends itself against the allegations that were distributed.

Vote: With 3 votes against it, the majority of the assembly decides for the admission of the new Junior Club KHRON.

10.7. Russia: Proposal – Transfer of WUSV membership from *RSVNO – Russian Union of German Shepherd Owners/ President Sergey Pushkin* to the *RSLNO – Russian Union of German Shepherd Dog Fanciers, President Elena Bliznetsova*

The topic is not addressed for its very controversial character.

10.8. Tunisia: Proposal for Junior Membership – *Societe Tunisienne du Chien Berger Allemand STCBA* – Proposal February 01st, 2021

WUSV Continental Director, Dr Laraki, presents the club to the assembly since the vice president – Mr. Alif Saidane – could not travel to Germany for Visa related reasons.

Vote: The club is unanimously admitted as a Junior Member to the WUSV.

10.9. Uganda: Proposal for Junior Membership – *German Shepherd Dog Club UGANDA* – Proposal April 06th, 2022

The clubs' representative, Mr. Gideon Amahoro Odijie, offers a brief review of the past years and the development of the club.

Vote: The club is unanimously admitted as a Junior Member to the WUSV.

10.10. Ungarn (Hungary): Proposal for Junior Membership Hunnia-Rex Német Juhászcutya Egyesület – HNJE – Proposal May 13th, 2022

10.11. Ungarn (Hungary): Full Member Magyar Ebtenyésztők Országos Egyesületeinek Szövetsége – MEOESZ – Requests for Support Admission Hunnia-Rex Német Juhászcutya Egyesület – HNJE as Junior Club to WUSV in Exchange termination membership MEOESZ – Proposal 2022

President Meßler informs the assembly that based on a WUSV Board of Directors' decision the MEOESZ is suspended from the WUSV. The MNJK shall grant HNJE full access to its activities and will be informed accordingly by the WUSV Secretariat General.

10.12. Miscellaneous

10.12.1. Granting of the title VA EXCELLENT SELECTION abroad – Germany 2021

Vote: The decision hereof is unanimously left up to the WUSV Board of Directors.

10.12.2. Appoint a working group to implement an antitrust compliance guide for general WUSV regulations and member club regulations – Spain 2021

The proposal was withdrawn and passed to the WUSV Statutes Committee.

10.12.3. Appoint a working group for drafting and implementation of the WUSV judge's system regulation – USA/ USCA 2021

The proposal was withdrawn since a working order was placed.

10.12.4. Appoint a working group to implement a system and criteria for the harmonization of the breeding licenses (Körung-WUSV) – Spain 2021

The proposal was withdrawn by Real Ceppa.

10.12.5. Return of fees for non-FCI WUSV clubs – USA/ USCA 2021

The proposal was withdrawn by proposing club.

10.12.6. Recognition National and International Special Judges Results by SV – The Netherlands 2022

Secretary General Setecki explains that this is an SV related issue and cannot be decided in this assembly. The issuing club will pass the proposal on to the WUSV Statutes Committee.

10.12.7. Release of WUSV-Judges to non-WUSV-member clubs – Co-ordination scheduling events to avoid overlapping – Portugal 2022

The club is reported present but does not comment on the proposal.

10.12.8. Foundation of WUSV Working Committee – Comparable FCI – Slovak Republic 2022

The proposal is withdrawn and passed to the WUSV Statutes Committee.

10.12.9. Publications of Membership Numbers & the Number of Entries of Country's Sieger Show – South Africa 2022

The proposal was withdrawn by proposing club.

10.12.10. Allowing Country Based VA-type Gradings with Country-Based Rules (decision WUSV-GAM 2019) – South Africa & Australia 2022

The proposal was withdrawn by proposing clubs.

Item 11) Changes & Deletions WUSV Membership List

11.1. Membership Status pending

11.1.1. Panamá – Report Roberto Caputi

Roberto Caputi reports that there is no longer an interest in the membership. Correspondences are not answered, payments have not been made for years and no contact person is available. This is all the much regrettable since the Federación Canofila De Perros Pastores Alemanes-Panamá (FCPA) was a founding member of the WUSV.

President Meßler proposes to give the club one more years' time and if no fruitful contact will have been made by then the club's membership shall automatically be finalized.

Vote: The proposal is unanimously accepted.

11.1.2. Venezuela – Report Roberto Caputi – usage of remaining donations?

The club's debt is paid off by now. Donations were received in 2019 and used for a judge release and travel expenses. The remaining money out of the donations fund shall be used for specific other purposes.

Vote: The proposal is unanimously accepted.

Item 12) Review of SV – WUSV events

12.1. SV BSZ Conformation Show 2021 & 2022 in Nuremberg

12.1.1. GHKL Working Class Male Dogs: Bernd Weber

A presentation is delivered to the audience.

12.1.2. GHKL Working Class Female Dogs:

12.1.2.1. Helmut Buß (2021)

A presentation is delivered to the audience.

12.1.2.2. Lutz Wischalla (2022)

A presentation is delivered to the audience.

12.2. WUSV Events since 2019

12.2.1. 32nd WUSV World Championship IP 2019 in Modena/ Italy – Report René Rudin

A presentation is delivered to the audience – a copy of the presentation shall be made available on the WUSV homepage the day after the WUSV-General Annual Assembly

12.2.2. 33rd WUSV World Championship IP 2021 in Lerma/ Spain – Report René Rudin

A presentation is delivered to the audience – a copy of the presentation shall be made available on the WUSV homepage the day after the WUSV-General Annual Assembly

12.2.3. 10th WUSV World Championship UNIVERSAL 2021 in Lerma/ Spain – Report René Rudin

A presentation is delivered to the audience – a copy of the presentation shall be made available on the WUSV homepage the day after the WUSV-General Annual Assembly

12.2.4. 11th WUSV World Championship Universal 2022 in Schwanenstadt/ Austria

For schedule related reasons no presentation can be held.

Item 13) 34th WUSV World Championship IP 2022 in Randers/ Denmark

Head Judge: Hans Graf (CH)
Commissioner Tracking Work: Jari Kokkonen (FIN)
Section A: Leonardo Roman (ITA)
Section B: Vadim Plotsker (USA)
Section C: Wilfried Tautz (D)

Debriefing of the team captains directly after the prize giving ceremony of the WUSV World Championship IP in 2022.

Item 14) 12th WUSV World Championship Universal 2023 in Sursee/ Switzerland

Head Judge: Egon Gutknecht (D)
Commissioner Tracking Work: Richard Hüppe (A)
Section A: Pedro Luis Gutiérrez (E)
Section B: Robert Markschläger (A)
Section C: Hari Arčo (SI)
Show Section: Margit van Dorssen (D)

Debriefing of the team captains directly after the prize giving ceremony of the WUSV World Championship Universal in 2023.

Item 15) 35th WUSV World Championship IP 2023 in Hungary – Venue Felcsút, Fő u. 176, 8086 – Pancho Arena

Head Judge: Peter Mayerl (A)
Commissioner Tracking Work: Hans Graf (CH)
Section A: Vivi Gilsager (DK)
Section B: Pierre Wahlström (S)
Section C: Toine Jonkers (NL)

Debriefing of the team captains directly after the prize giving ceremony of the WUSV World Championship IP in 2023

Item 16) Outlook on future WUSV World Championships IP events as already scheduled

2024	Advance Scheduling	Germany
2025	Advance Scheduling	Austria
2026	Advance Scheduling	Belgium – Royal Club du Berger Allemand de Belgique

Item 17) Outlook on future WUSV World Championships Universal events as already scheduled

2024	Advance Scheduling	France
2025	Available for application	
2026	Available for application	

Item 18) Honours & Awards

No awards are to be given.

Item 19) Future Scheduling

The topic was not addressed.

Item 20) Miscellaneous

20.1. WUSV International Data Base – WUSV-DOxS

The topic was not addressed.

20.2. Presentation WUSV-Event 2023 – Lerma/ Spain – WUSV INTERNATIONAL

Rodrigo González Campuzano offers a brief presentation of the event. A copy shall be made available at short notice.

Since no more questions are raised, the president gives thanks for the good cooperation, and wishes the party present a good journey back home. The meeting is closed at 14.55 hours.


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Hartmut Setecki,
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Helga Seidel, Keeper of the Minutes