





Minutes of the Assembly of Delegates on 13 May 2022, Nieuwpoort, Belgium

Agenda

- 1. Welcome by the president and ascertainment of the number of delegates (please bring the actual number of members)
- 2. Minutes of the delegates' meeting WUSB 2019 in Luxembourg and the video conference of 17.09.2021
- 3. Information from the Belgian St. Bernard Club about the WUSB 2022
- 4. Answer of the Swiss club concerning the recognition of the WUSB by the FCI
 - 4.1 Discussion of the demands
 - 4.2 Vote
 - 4.3 Possible adaptation of the show regulations
- 5. Short information from Denmark about the WUSB 2023.

Election of the judges for the WUSB-Show 2023

(Please send in suggestions for judges!!)

Election of the next WUSB-Shows 2025 - 2026 - 2027...

- 6. Reports of the board:
 - 6.1 Annual report of the president
 - 6.2 Report of the treasurer
 - 6.3 Report of the auditors and the trustees
- 7. Discharge of the Executive Committee
- 8. Election of the Executive Committee
 - 8.1 President
 - 8.2 Vice-President
 - 8.3 Treasurer
 - 8.3 First Secretary
 - 8.4 Second Secretary
 - 8.5 Third Secretary
- 9. Election of auditors (2 persons)
- 10. Reports from the member clubs
- 11. Miscellaneous

1.

President Didier Basset welcomes everyone to the meeting. He is pleased to see everyone again after the Corona break. Ann de Laet asked if all delegates had signed the attendance register. There are 28 delegates and guests present.

Didier Basset asked for a minute's silence in memory of Ann Long Dole - Peter Brieskorn and Christian Tessier who had passed away since the last meeting.

2.

Delegate minutes from 28 June 2019 in Luxembourg - Adopted. Minutes from the online meeting on 17 September 2021 - Adopted.



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3.

Information from Belgium on WUSB 2022:

The Belgian Club has had its headquarters here in Newport for 50 years. There is also the St. Bernard Church here in town, and every year in August there is a big parade of St. Bernards here.

Tomorrow for the show there are 113 dogs - 63 shorthair and 50 longhair. The dogs come from 15 different countries.

4.

The membership of the WUSB in the FCI is discussed.

The correspondence with the SKG, Switzerland and the FCI is announced to the delegates (beamer presentation). The biggest change will be the use of judges at our shows. If we want the WUSB to be recognised by the FCI, we must follow the FCI show rules. The FCI only allows one judge in the ring.

4.1

G. Morsiani: The time has come for an international recognition of the WUSB. It is a "private organisation" until now. It is great that the SKG, Switzerland supports us on the way to the FCI. We would now like to have an official recognition as World Club of St. Bernards.

K. Augestad: Spain has talked a lot about it. We would like to follow the decision of Switzerland. We have to become a member of the FCI in order to move forward. It is so important that we follow the motto - one breed = one standard. On a personal level, she regrets that she can no longer work together with other judges in the ring.

A. Splinter: She has two hearts in her chest now. She would also like to have 2 judges in the ring, but if the WUSB is to live on, we have to become a member of the FCI. And if we want to be recognised worldwide by the FCI, then it is the only way. But remembering the first WUSB - there was one judge judging and the other a secretary - That would also be a possibility.

W. Ketzler: In the past, the WUSB asked the SKG if we could become a member of the FCI. At that time it was rejected because Switzerland was afraid that they would lose the standard. The question now is: What to gain and what to lose. We will have a closer contact to FCI and we can give CAC. This is not enough for W. Ketzler. Why was WUSB founded: to have the judges' meetings and to exchange experiences. And to be together comfortably. At the shows we might get a CAC - but what about the meetings. The exchange of experiences and the judges' meetings are so important.

M. Ellerova: Don't think that the second judge will work as a secretary. That is not legal according to the FCI.

D. Basset: Judge n°2 could perhaps be present as a volunteer but will not be able to officiate. We have to find a solution. I am a child of the WUSB. I was 20 years old when I first participated in the WUSB show here in Belgium in Gent. But times are changing. 1 or 2 judges in the ring will not change the atmosphere of the WUSB. The standard comes from Switzerland and is recognised by the FCI. And if we do not become a member of the FCI, our logo will disappear in this context. Without recognition we have no influence on the standard. If we are recognised, it is possible to contact the FCI with the agreement of the Swiss Club in case of bad judging at a show. We do not have this possibility at present.

4.2

Vote on whether, according to the FCI rule, only one judge should work in the ring: 21 votes with yes, 7 votes with no, 0 abstentions



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4.3

The necessary changes in the show regulations of the WUSB are presented and decided by acclamation.

5.

The President of the Danish St. Bernard Club gives a short information about the WUSB from 11-14 May 2023 in Tornby, Denmark. She distributes flyers and maps. www.WUSB2023.dk

5.1 For the next WUSB show 2023 8 judges are elected:

Dänemark	Bent Brohus	Appointed from DK	
Switzerland	Bernard Leger	23	2
Spain	Kari Augestad	20	3
Germany 1	Annegret Splinter	19	4
France	Reinhold Welsch	18	Res 1
Italy	Dr. G. Morsiani	16	Res 2
Latvia	Johannes Mayer	15	Res 3
Ireland	Austin Long Doyle	13	Res 4
Belgium	Bas Bosch	11	
USA	Paul Bodewing	10	
England	M. Gwillian	8	
Netherlands	Mirjam Winkens	7	

5.2

For the following years, the exhibitions are discussed as follows:

2024 - Italy, on the occasion of the 100th, birthday of Antonio Morsiani.

2025 - Spain or the Czech Republic, whereby Spain has a very young new Board and may need some more time.

2026 – Netherlands, on the occasion of the 100th club anniversary

2027 – Germany? (or Spain)

2028 – France, on the occasion of the 120th club anniversary

6.

6.1

President's Reports (attached) – taken by acclamation.

6.2

The treasurer's report was read out by Annegret Splinter, as Reto Wiederkehr could not be present in person for professional reasons – taken by acclamation.



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6.3

Reports of the cash auditors and the tax audit. The cash management is in order and the approval of the board is recommended to the assembly.

7.

Approval of the board - unanimously confirmed.

8.

8.1-8.4

The current board stands for re-election and is re-elected by acclamation.

8.5

After the death of Jean Priem the position of the third secretary is vacant. Ellen Waßmann was proposed and unanimously elected by acclamation.

Committee for the next three years:

President: Didier Basset, F
Vice President: Annegret Splinter, D
Treasurer: Reto Wiederkehr, CH

Secretaries: Ann De Laet, B - Ane Christiansen, DK - Ellen Waßmann, D

9.

K. Augestad is not a candidate again. M. Ellerova and N. Dolinsek are proposed. Both were elected unanimously by acclamation.

10.

Italy has a new board. They have 570 puppies this year.

USA 660 members; they are trying to educate puppy buyers.

D1: Germany has a new animal welfare dog regulation since 2022 and St. Bernards are listed under torture breed. There is intense work on the issue.

Ireland because of Corona few activities. Last year there was a club show with 50 entries. There was an honorary cup in the name of his wife. Trying to recruit new interested parties and members via a Facebook page.

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Membership fees are reminded.

K. Augestad will try again to get in touch with Norway. The board has changed there.

Didier Basset Ane Christiansen DK President 2nd Secretary