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1: Roll call, apologies for absence:

All members in attendance at the meeting.

2: Event Directors list:

It was decided to continue with the current selection criteria for selection to be included on the Event Director's list.

The Event Director selection criteria are as follows:-

1. Pilot experience in Aerostation
2. At least been the Deputy Director for a CIA First Category or CIA Sporting Event or Event Director of a National Championships.
3. A Pass in the Entry level juror exams.
4. Holder of an FAI sporting license.
5. Provide a curriculum vitae of ballooning experience.

There were 4 applications to be included on the Event Director's list during 2016. After applying the selection criteria, 2 applications were successful while 2 were not. The following 2 applicants satisfied the selection criteria:-

Moniek Vande Velde (BEL)	AX
Helmut Seitz (GER)	BX

The Official's SC recommend that the above applicants be included on the Event Director's list and the revised Event Director list to come into affect in 2017 is as follows and will be available on the CIA website:-

Mathijs de Bruijn (NED)	AX	
Thomas Fink (GER)	AA	
Dominik Haggenev (GER)	AX	AA
Eugenijus Komar (LTU)	AX	
David Levin (USA)	AX	AA
Garry Lockyer (CAN)	AX	
Paolo Oggioni (ITA)	AX	
Les Purfield (UK)	AX	
Helmut Seitz (GER)	BX	
Hiromori Soejima (JPN)	AX	
Maury Sullivan (USA)	AX	
Moniek Vande Velde (BEL)	AX	
Claude Weber (LUX)	AX	

3: Points for action from last years plenary

Electronic Notice Board (ENB):

There has been discussion in the last 2 years regarding the use of ENB's by many event directors and particularly to having links to these ENB's available on the FAI website. After feedback from the FAI it seems that it would be useful if the ENB's be incorporated into the individual event's websites. More importantly that event organisers provide the current event website links to the FAI so there is a central point for anybody interested to find all relevant information to any given event.

FAI Sporting Licences:

There is still ongoing discussion concerning FAI Licences and which officials are required to have them to officiate at FAI/CIA sanctioned events. There is considerable differences between individual NAC's on how these are administered and how much they cost. This subcommittee feels that, due to the scale and complexity of this issue, it needs to be looked at by other subcommittees and working groups so that there can be some consensus across the FAI and CIA at what are the requirements for officials to have FAI sporting licenses.

4: FAI Events 2017:

In previous years the Officials SC made a list of events around the world that use observers or not. This is now done internally and the information is made available to chief observers in many countries.

5: Update Chief Observers list:

Chief Observer list has been updated and will be available on the CIA web site in the document section. There is a concern within the subcommittee and from other sections of the competition ballooning community that there is a requirement to encourage new officials to get involved as the current crop of officials is dwindling. One suggestion put forward to the subcommittee was to suggest to the chief observers of each country to change their role to 'Chief Official' and to maintain lists of not only observers but any other interested officials so that these can be made available to organisers. It will require some input and feed back from organisers and current officials to pass on the names and credentials of any new interested officials to their Chief Official. There is also the potential for the FAI Sporting licence database to be used to keep lists of interested officials in a central place. These ideas will be worked on in the coming year and will be reported to the 2018 Plenary.

6: Competition Operations Handbook (COH) :

A draft of job descriptions for event officials to be included in a new chapter for the COH is being circulated within the subcommittee and the final version will be included in the updated COH that will be presented to the 2018 Plenary.

7: Items referred from elsewhere

Items referred to the SWG from Event Director's and Jury President's Reports, from other SCs or WGs before or during the CIA Meeting or discussions of items currently published on the CIA-SWG Forum.

There were none.

8: Event debriefing questionnaire:

It has been decided to devise a post event questionnaire similar to the one that the Competitor's SC uses every year. Officials from each sanctioned event will be given a link to fill out a survey and the subcommittee will analyse the results. The trial run for this concept will take place at the 2017 European Championships in Brissac. The results will be made available at the 2018 Plenary.

9: Any other business:

See above in section 5 of these minutes.

10: Proposed Motions

None

11: Election of 2017 SC Members and Chairperson:

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