

3rd Beach Handball Commission Meeting 2018

MINUTES

Venue and date

Hilton Garden Inn Hotel, Vienna / AUT
29 August 2018: 13.00 - 15.30
30 August 2018: 09.00 - 18.30

Participants

BC Ole Jorstad / Chairman
Marco Trespidi / Events & Competition
Ivan Sabovik / Officiating
Juan Carlos Zapardiel / Game Design and Coaching
George Bebetos / Promotion and Development
Jelena Rakonjac / Member

EHF Office Peter Fröschl
Ivana Jelić
Hans Holdhaus - partly
Loïc Alves - partly
Thomas Schöneich - partly

Part 1: Daily Business

1. Welcome

O. Jorstad welcomed the participants to the last BC meeting in 2018.
The minutes of the last BC Meeting in June 2018 were approved.
All BC motions were approved at the EXEC Meeting on 18 June 2018.
During the TD Meeting on 29 August 2018 the main topic was the education of indoor officials.
Furthermore the system for evaluating the best player of a match from the University of Bochum was presented and this system is supposed to be tested at the EURO in France.

2. Legal Matters

L. Alves explained the general EHF legal principles and the application of the Catalogue of Administrative Sanctions. The on-site legal system has to be amended to be in line with systems applied in indoor handball and ensure a clear separation of powers between the Tournament Management and the judiciary system. Hence, the Disciplinary Commission will be composed of delegates to take first instance decisions and the Jury will be composed of the Court of Appeal acting as an ad hoc body. In case there are not enough delegates to act as a first instance body, the Court of Handball will act, through an ad hoc composition as a Disciplinary Commission and the EHF Office will render administrative decisions in compliance with the Catalogue of Administrative Sanctions.

L. Alves will prepare in cooperation with I. Jelić the motion concerning the update of the regulations especially for the Champions Cup and the ebt regulations until the EXEC meeting in September.

3. ebt

3.1. Current status on organiser and teams

For the ebt season 2017/18 66 tournaments and 196 teams (84 female and 112 male teams) in total were registered. Out of the 66 registered tournaments the results of 3 tournaments were

not entered in the system (2x ESP, 1x SRB), so no points were granted. 6 tournaments have been cancelled in total. At every tournament female and male teams were attending.

3.2. Comparison to season 2016/17

In the last season 67 tournaments and 186 teams were registered in total.

3.3. ebt Regulations

3.3.1. Update regulations

For the next ebt season a national beach handball team week to be included into the regulations. Therefore a motion to the EXEC will be prepared to confirm this additional BH team week.

The following tournament criteria will be updated for the next season:

- Prize money can only be paid via bank transfer (within 3 days)
- Replacement of points for men's and women's tournaments played at the same time, with a new criteria concerning proper beach handball uniforms of athletes.
- TV transmission not only live but also delayed is accepted
- 5 points for an additional camera for live streaming on the same court
- 15 points for cheerleaders will be added

Furthermore it was agreed to avoid any cash payment (according to the general EHF policy), so the daily allowances for the EHF officials need to be done only by bank transfer to have a proof of payment as well.

The EHF verification of tournaments needs to be done directly after the verification of the delegate by the EHF office to guarantee the weekly updated ranking.

Due to the increased interest the participants for the next ebt Finals will be enlarged to 14 men's and 14 women's teams and to 12 different nations.

3.3.2. Reporting – new system and obligatory report from Head Delegates

The proposed report, adapted from indoor, was accepted and will be sent out to all EHF Delegates and National Observers for the next ebt season.

3.3.3. Punishment according to reporting

In case of manipulation of any reported information by EHF Officials a legal case may be requested to be opened with the EHF legal bodies after having reviewed the situation.

3.4. SALMING equipment officials

The next SALMING order for the Champions Cup will be done in cooperation with G. Bebetos. There will also be an additional event shirt with the ChC logo ordered for all nominated EHF Officials.

For the upcoming ebt season all EHF Officials are obliged to wear only SALMING shirts & shorts in their official EHF function at ebt tournaments. Therefore all BH officials (referees and delegates) will be asked to request Salming BH equipment (2x shirts, 2x shorts), if they have not received anything yet, within a given time. This request will be sent out by the EHF office beginning of next year.

4. 2018 EHF MW18 EURO in Ulcinj / MNE

4.1. Evaluation

Based on the reports of the delegates further improvements for the future were discussed. Furthermore a basic document will be created defining the roles and tasks of the various people involved in the organisation of upcoming events. This document will be completed until the next BC meeting in 2019.

4.2. Qualitative analysis

The qualitative analysis will be completed by Zapardiel until the first week of October 2018.

5. 2019 MW17 + Senior BH EUROS in Stare Jablonki / POL

5.1. Workshop

The first workshop will take place on the 6/7 September 2018. The responsible persons are M. Trespidi and I. Jelić. The workshop will focus on the additional courts, the Anti-Doping facilities and procedure, the EHF office requirements, the EHF Officials hotel including air condition, accommodation of teams (overlap of arrivals after the YAC event), requirements for TV production, good English speaking announcer, etc.

5.2. TV with Infront

The negotiations with Infront are on-going to sell the international TV rights at the Senior EURO in POL 2019. For the preparation in Poland the minimum standard compared to the BH EURO in Croatia needs to be fixed and guaranteed by the organiser.

6. 2018 EHF Champions Cup (ChC) in Catania/ITA

6.1. Status and further procedure

The BC recommended to increase the number of participants to 16+16, due to the growing interest of participating teams. A request to the EHF EXEC to enlarge the number of participants and to have more nations involved will be sent out the soonest in order to enable the EHF Office to inform the teams accordingly.

6.2. Future perspective for applications and number of participants

6.2.1. New selection system for 2019 ChC applications

Due to the big interest and the tight registration timing, a new proposal for the application process to have a fair registration process will be worked-out by the BC.

6.2.2. Enlarging of participants number as for 2019

It was agreed to have 16 + 16 participating teams for the next ChC edition in 2019.

7. 2018 Further education courses for BH coaches in Catania

7.1. Aim of the seminar

Covering the demand of coaches (EHF BH education course level 2) and enlarging the number of BH coaches in Europe (national BH course).

7.2. Program

It was agreed to start the course on Wednesday and finish on Saturday with the awarding of the certificates. The first day will be a theoretical part following practical sessions during the ChC. The steps concerning the promotion of beach handball will also be included in the schedule for the level 2 course. It's planned to have 30 hours of lectures during the course. The programme for both courses will be finalized by J. Zapardiel by Monday, 3 September 2018.

7.3. Benefits "In combo" with the 2018 Education Course on national level

The benefits of the combined course are to create a good atmosphere and generate learning synergies between the two groups of experienced coaches and beginners. An important benefit is the transfer of knowledge between the two groups of coaches.

Also the combination of two lectures gives the participants the possibility to benefit from both of their experiences. These courses also add more value to the product "Champions Cup" for the organiser.

8. Online testing

8.1. Status

The number of active delegates and referees is 59 delegates and 88 referees.

8.2. Additional questions

The next request for new questions will be sent out including the information on the consequences of not submitting a question: It will be the same consequence as not passing a test.

9. Publications

9.1. Educational video clips

The estimated costs for 2019 were presented by J. Zapardiel.

The plan is to produce 10 video clips with the following topics:

- 3 offensive high level task
- 3 defensive high level tasks
- 2 goalkeeper high level tasks
- 2 fast break high level tasks

10. IHF matters

10.1. Meeting EHF/IHF BH Working Group

The meeting with the IHF BH Working Group took place on the occasion of the ebt Finals in Stare Jablonki / POL on the 4 June 2018 - minutes distributed.

10.2. Worldwide planned activities

2018 YOG in Buenos Aires/ARG, 7 - 14 October

2019 EUSA BH Championships in Belgrade/SRB

2019 MW17 & Senior BH EUROS

2019 Mediterranean Beach Games in Patras/GRE 24 -31 August

2019 ANOC World Beach Games in San Diego/USA, 9 - 14 October

2020 EUSA Games

2020 MW16 BH EChs

2021 World Games in Birmingham (Alabama)/USA, 15 – 25 July

11. Anti-Doping

H. Holdhaus, the head of the EHF Anti-Doping (AD) Unit was invited to discuss and explain the future doping controls (DC) procedure and the WADA eLearning tool.

The normal DC procedure is to inform the teams in the second period about the draw. This procedure was changed at the MW18 EURO in MNE due to organisational issues. An important requirement is to have the DC facilities as close as possible to the playing area with the required infrastructure. For beach events in particular it's important to have a shower next to the DC facilities to allow the selected players to shower before the control.

Due to the tight beach handball schedule it was decided to let the selected player go back to the next match, if the control was not finished in time. These players will be chaperoned by a person from the DC station to the match and brought back to the DC station directly after the game.

For the 2018 Champions Cup the teams will be informed about the DC procedure on site and the letter and link to the eLearning tool for completing the enclosed test will be sent out to the teams before the tournament. The completion of the test is not obligatory for the teams this time.

12. Media Matters

12.1. Status #dontworrybeachhappy campaign

The campaign is on-going for 3 months and the last month started to determine the winner of the campaign. Since the campaign started the increase of facebook followers was 5% (~15.000 followers now, the impressions: 1m (6,000 users/day). The increase on instagram was more significant with 30% more followers (6,500 followers now). A third of this increase was already achieved during the first week of the campaign at the ebt Finals.

Due to the big involvement and acceptance of the hash tag, which was used for all beach handball events during the summer, for example also at the WCh in Kazan, showed the perfect match for the audience and the players.

The winner of the campaign will be invited to the ChC in Sicily together with an accompanying person; they will get a VIP access and invitations to the opening and closing party. G. Bebetsov will take care of the coordination of the host programme for the winners.

12.2. Live-streaming production

The requirements for live streaming need to be defined more precisely during the workshops before the respective events. T. Schöneich will provide detailed information concerning the requirements for the next workshop in Stare Jablonki on 6./7.9.2018. The current TV graphics will be used for the Champions Cup as well and will be adapted in cooperation with the OC media responsible person.

12.3. Evaluation ehfTV figures 2018

The numbers of unique users for the following two events in total are as follows:

- 12.000 unique users at ebt finals in POL
- 21.000 unique users in MNE

Numbers of national team competitions are in general higher than club competitions. The advantage of using ehfTV is that it is already well-established as the EHF handball hub where all match videos are already gathered.

The advertising space on ehfTV will be offered to the beach handball partners for the Champions Cup for free this time.

Part 2: Long term activities

13. Events & Competition

13.1. Goal line technology

At the Champions Cup the goal line technology will be used on the main court; the experience to be evaluated during the next BC meeting.

13.2. Digital Score Sheet (DSS)

The matches from MNE were published in a sufficient way. For the future the scouted matches have to be only published after the EHF approval. For the Champions Cup the information which matches shall be scouted needs to be sent to Antonio Ojeda, the responsible person, by M. Trespidi in due time.

13.3. Outcome of new agreement on players equipment

The BC agreed to send a letter to the IHF BH WG to ask for clarification on the issues that happened during the last BH World Championship concerning the regulations for athlete uniforms and equipment and accessories.

13.4. Presence of "extra officials" in substitution areas

During the team time out no other team officials, then the two on the match protocol, are allowed to enter the substitution area.

13.5. Wrong number during they match: decisions

The clarification of the indoor IHF rules 4.7 and 4.8. are valid for beach handball events as well.

13.6. Adaptation of mandatory special boxes for players equipment, bottles, etc.

The BC agreed to have special boxes (buried in the sand) for players' equipment during the matches mandatory for future BH events starting with the 2018 Champions Cup.

13.7. Officials' payments in EHF BH events

The payments (daily allowances) for officials will be done by the EHF before each event and the costs will be reimbursed by the organisers.

13.8. New routine for candidates and education of nominated delegates prior to events

It was agreed that the candidates for delegates' courses will receive access to the EHF Family 15 days before the event. All delegates nominated are obliged to prepare themselves before coming to an event.

13.9. Standardize routine for delegates officiating (EMR) in events

For the Champions Cup M. Trespidi will complete a manual to define this routine.

13.10. Protest on wrong result to be accepted

The BC recommended to accept protests on wrong results. This will be updated in the next regulations accordingly.

13.11. ANOC Beach Games qualification system

The qualification system for the ANOC World Beach Games in San Diego/USA on 9 - 14 October is as follows: The 5 best ranked teams of the World Championship, the organiser and the 6 continental champions qualify for the ANOC Beach Games. The official information from IHF concerning the qualification system will be requested for the BC meeting in April.

13.12. ebt Regulations – adaptation of points in case of REF/DEL courses

It was agreed to double the organiser points, if the organiser will be awarded with the organisation of a REF/DEL education course.

14. Officiating

14.1. Education courses in the future

The application to organise beach handball referee's and delegate's education courses within the scope of ebt tournaments will be sent out after the next summer BC meeting to all ebt organisers of the season 18/19. The application period will be 2 months.

14.2. Nomination for top ebt tournaments

The BC agreed to change the nomination procedure for referees for top ebt tournaments (all tournaments with 250 provisional points and more). From the next season on the EHF will nominate the referees needed for top ebt tournaments prior to the tournament. This request needs to be sent to the EHF office by the organiser at least 5 weeks before the tournament. The organiser will then add the respective nominations in the registration system

14.3. Referee and delegate education mpeg

Due to communication problems the respective education tool was not finalised; the responsible in Gran Canaria has to be contacted by the EHF Office.

14.4. National referees and delegates courses obligatory as of 2020

The respective information to the NFs will be sent in September 2018.

15. Game Design and Coaching

15.1. Long term plan for coaches' education – licencing.

BC recommended having an obligatory national beach handball coaches' course before entering an EHF BH coaches' course as of 2021.

15.2. University licence for beach handball coaches – Status

The revised version of the curriculum for universities will be updated by Christian Thue Bjørndal in the next weeks. BC recommended that it should be revised externally (e.g. by Jean Brihault, due to his experience on university level). Afterwards it will be distributed to universities for their feedback.

15.3. Coaches' manual – Status

This project is on-going and will be finished during the current BC election period. Regular updates from Zapardiel will be provided to the BC during the upcoming meetings.

16. Promotion and Development

16.1. Update BH presentation template and CI

The new BH presentation template was submitted to the BC and office and will be distributed to all EHF BH lecturers.

16.2. *New BH song*

The new song and video were submitted. Contract and right to use this song expires with 31 December 2019.

16.3. *CI, look and sport presentation issues in our events*

Examples of good beach CI appearance will be sent to future organisers.

16.4. *BH development overall Europe and further strategy – Status*

BC recommended a “Beach Handball Day” including support from EHF. The EHF office will follow up with possibilities to realise this project.

16.5. *EHF BH Think tank/Brainstorming Clinique – Concept*

The concept of the BH think tank is to have discussions among experts about BH in the future with the focus on the following topics: predictions for the sport in the next decades, study on economic impact, increasing challenges, marketing, use of creative strategy, taking advantage of new technology, big events, connect with traditional fans/consumers, creating synergies, identify problems, rule development etc.

The BC recommended having this event during the BH EURO in Poland 2019.

This topic will be discussed with the Polish Handball Federation at the next BH EURO workshop in Poland.

16.6. *Follow up: ALB, LUX, GBR site visit – Status*

An official follow up on the informal meetings at the congress will be sent from the EHF office.

17. Additional Member

17.1. *ebt development support in emerging or new BH countries*

As already agreed in the last meeting a support with beach handball material (1x set of goals, 1x TV line-system, 20+20 playing balls) for new and emerging BH countries was recommended by the BC and will be forwarded to the EHF EXEC for confirmation within the development project.

17.2. *BH transfer regulations – pre-conditions*

It was agreed to bring up new ideas to motivate federations to set up a registration for BH teams and players in the future.

17.3. *Investigation of players in YAC BH and Indoor EUROS*

Further investigation of YAC players involved in BH and indoor EURO will be completed until the next meeting.

18. Activity Plan and Budget 2019

Based on the planned activities in 2019 the respective budget will be presented to the EHF EXEC for confirmation after the BC meeting in February 2019.

19. Miscellaneous

19.1. *BH EUSA Championships in 2019*

EUSA will organise a meeting for clarifying the 2019 EUSA events (EUSA Convent) in Kranjska Gora, Slovenia, 20-23 September 2018 – J. Rakonjac will take part on behalf of the EHF for the planned 2019 EUSA BH Championships in Belgrade/SRB.

19.2. *Regulations updates*

All beach handball event regulations will be updated in cooperation with the legal department for the next events.

O. Jorstad thanked the participants for their contributions and closed the meeting.

Vienna, 05 September 2018

For the Minutes: Ivana Jelić

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I. Assignment of tasks

3. ebt

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| 3.3. ebt Regulations update | Trespidi/EHF Office |
| 3.4. SALMING equipment distribution to officials | EHF Office |

4. 2018 EHF MW18 EURO in Ulcinj / MNE

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| 4.1. Task distribution document | Trespidi/EHF Office |
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5. 2019 MW17 + Senior BH EUROS in Stare Jablonki / POL

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| 5.1. First workshop | Trespidi/EHF Office |
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6. 2018 EHF Champions Cup (ChC) in Catania/ITA

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| 6.2. New proposal for the application process | Trespidi |
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7. 2018 Further education courses for BH coaches in Catania

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| 7.2. Finalizing the programme | Zapardiel |
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11. Anti-Doping

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| Information on eLearning tool to ChC teams | EHF Office |
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12. Media Matters

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| 12.3. Advertising space on ehfTV to be offered to BH partners | EHF Office |
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13. Events & Competition

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| ➤ Definition of ChC matches for DSS scouting | Trespidi |
| ➤ Letter to IHF BH WG regarding regulations for athlete uniforms | EHF Office |
| ➤ Standardized routine for delegates officiating (EMR) at events | Trespidi |
| ➤ Protest on wrong result – legal procedure | EHF Office |
| ➤ ANOC Beach Games qualification system information from IHF | EHF Office |

14. Officiating

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| ➤ Information about new ebt nomination system | EHF Office |
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15. Game Design and Coaching

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| ➤ University licence for beach handball coaches | Zapardiel |
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16. Promotion and Development

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| ➤ Implementations document for future organisers | Bebetsos/EHF Office |
| ➤ “Beach Handball Day” - financial possibilities | EHF Office |
| ➤ EHF BH Think tank/Brainstorming Clinique – Concept | Bebetsos |
| ➤ Follow up: ALB, LUX, GBR site visit | EHF Office |

17. Additional Member

- Ideas BH transfer regulations

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19. Miscellaneous

- Regulations update for 2019

Trespidi/EHF Office

II. Motions to the EXEC Meeting in Barcelona/ESP on 20.09.2018

- 1) Updates of regulations and legal procedure
- 2) National beach handball team week
- 3) ebt development support in emerging or new BH countries
- 4) Obligatory national beach handball coaches' course as of 2021