



# International Freestyle Skaters Association

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FRANCE

## MINUTES

14 October 2006, 10:30

In accordance with the association's statutes, the General Assembly gathered at number 4, rue Amélie, 75007, PARIS, FRANCE.

A private session took place in which the following people were present: Mr Vu Van Kha (President), Mr Bourdin (Treasurer), Mr Galichet (Secretary), Miss Lejeune (Archivist), Mr Flinois (Manager), Mr Ruellan (Communication). Mr Vu Van Kha chaired the session. The agenda was as follows:

- Validation of the 2007 calendar.
- Activity report for 2006.
- Modification of the status of free jump.
- Modification of registration fees for 2007.

After the debates, the validation of the 2007 calendar and the status of free jump were submitted to a vote.

The assembly decided that the competition circuit for 2007 would comprise:

- Singapore
- FRANCE: Bordeaux (May 26, 27 & 28 2007).
- SPAIN: Bilbao (June 2 & 3 2007)
- ITALY: Milan (dates to be confirmed)
- RUSSIA: Moscow (FINALS, dates remain to be confirmed)
- An additional event should take place in MADRID

The General Assembly also decided that free jump becomes an official IFSA sport: in the events of the circuit, competitors will be able to gain points for the cup and qualify for the final.



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The General Assembly also decided a modification of registration fees. After examining the evolution of expenses, the Assembly set registration fees to three hundred euros (€300).

The private session was followed by a public session, open to everybody. (List of participants in Appendix 1)

### Agenda

- Presentation of the activity reports for 2006
- Presentation of the achievements of 2006
- Presentation the 2007 regulations
- Questions and answers

The various reports can be consulted or downloaded freely from the IFSA's official website: [www.ifsasports.org](http://www.ifsasports.org).

Questions raised during the public session:

### **Question from Mr Christian Debackère:**

*Could the IFSA provide further information following the FFRS-CNRA regarding the separation of the French championship and the IFSA step? On top of that, can you explain me this problem with the FFRS-CNRA's failure to pay judge fees?*

[Note: the FFRS (Fédération française de roller-skating) is the French roller-skating federation, and the CNRA (commission nationale de roller acrobatique) is the FFRS body in charge of freestyle skating in France.]

### **The IFSA – M. VuVan Kha:**

The separation of the French championship and the IFSA is due to the difficulty of having an event that would be simple to organize because of the numerous age categories that exist in the French circuit. These categories are not taken into account by the IFSA and ranking resulted complicated to establish, and error-prone.



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This separation was asked for by the CNRA (FFRS)

As to financial difficulties the treasurer presented, they are due to an advance on expenses that the IFSA did not foresee. For an event, the organizers are in charge of defraying judges, bearing transportation costs and paying judges. However, the organizers of the French step have not defrayed judges so far.

So to make its judge teams durable, and lest it loses forces for financial problems, the IFSA decided to the judges their fees for the Dijon step, before they get paid.

Today, in step of several letters exchanged, the situation is still the same: the organizers ascribe the situation to a subvention problem.

### **Question from Mrs Goga Khachatryan:**

*Why does not the IFSA ask event organizers to pay fees in advance?*

### **The IFSA – Mr Vu Van Kha:**

The IFSA does not want to impose too much constraints on organizers, and therefore, does not demand that fees be paid in advance for now. However, as of the 2007 season, each organizing team will have to sign an agreement covering various points regarding the organization of an event, and also the payment of various expenses.

Moreover, as far as the French step in concerned, the organizers will have to pay their debts, and pay the various judge-related expenses one month before the event so to avoid current events repeat all over again since they put the IFSA in financial difficulties.



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## PROCES VERBAL

### **Question from Mr Emmanuel Ruellan:**

*Will the new rules points be applied by the FFRS?*

### **The IFSA – Mr Vu Van Kha:**

The CNRA is waiting for the meeting to close to adopt new French regulations. Last contacts with the CNRA let us expect that the CNRA will adopt the various changes to international regulations into national regulations.

### **Question from Mr Christian Debackère:**

*How does the IFSA deal with the various kind of regulations that exist, e.g. in Italy, or in Asia?*

### **L'IFSA – M. Vu Van Kha:**

The IFSA works to develop the sport around one unifying model. Thus, the evolution in regulations, made by an international working group, takes everybody's expectations into account, and unifies skaters around an international circuit. Italy will adopt the international rule system for its next IFSA competition. The Asian system, used by the ASSA, is a sister system, with minor differences.

Since the assembly had no more questions and the agenda had been covered, the president closed the session.

Le President  
Mr Vu Van Kha

The secretary  
Mr Galichet



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## APPENDIX 1

The following people were present:

Vincent Vu Van Kha, president  
Luc Bourdin, treasurer  
Maxime Galichet, secretary

Régis Barthel, webmaster  
Christophe Flinois, manager  
Antoine Genel, manager  
Caroline Lejeune, manager and archivist  
Emmanuel Ruellan, communication - translation

Monique Hemar, president of the CNRA (she stayed for 45 minutes only)  
Christian Debackère, former president of the CNRA

Franck Volpei, skater  
Marie Monclus, skater  
Alexandre Fumeron, skater

Goga Khachatryan, Russian delegation  
Simon Khachatryan, Russian delegation