

# International Water Ski and Wakeboard Federation World Barefoot Council

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## Minutes

Telephonic Meeting of the **World Barefoot Council** held on 17<sup>th</sup> February  
2018.

Attendees: Geoff Blaauw, Paul Turner, Richard Gray, Richard Kaufman,  
Gustavo Serrano, Ben Groen, Claire Mowday, Brian Price, Svenja  
Hempelmann, Ludo Vrancx, Mike Molepske, Rob Groen.  
No apologies received.

**Rules, Policies and Procedures:** Brian Price reported that all rules and  
policies and procedures have been updated and released for the 2018  
season. Brian urges everyone to read and passes on his thanks to Mike Holts  
for his support.

**Records:** Nothing to report.

**Officials:** The ABC reported that they have now completed a review of USA  
based officials and have cleaned up their lists. The Officials committee will  
now do the same for the Worlds Officials and would request support from  
confederations to check the status of their Officials and bring their lists up to  
date.

**History:** GB called for a volunteer to chair the Barefoot history sub-  
committee. PT said he would speak to Philippe Poyet of France, as he runs  
the EA history.

**Awards:** CM requested we think about the Outstanding Achievements Award,  
nominations are due in April.

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**Federation Development:** GB asked if anyone would like to chair this sub-committee, Gustavo Volunteered to take on the chair.

PT was asked how South Africa was doing. PT commented that they had gone quiet and would not be sending a team to the EA or Worlds. PT said he would look at a possibility to visit SA in late 2018 to see what's going on.

**Technology:** The new Live stream system being developed by Damir Zinn with RG is working well. It is a little costly at \$3000NZ but has excellent range and high definition. RG to provide full details.

**2022 Worlds:** GB has asked for a Chair for the 2022 Worlds format Committee.

**Safety:** A chair is required for this subcommittee, BG suggested that Chris McWatters would be an excellent candidate and has agreed to speak with Chris.

**2021 Senior Worlds:** GB reported that the Worlds Format has been agreed with the recent addition of a Chief Video Officer. The documents are ready to pass to the Rules Committee for check over and format. A unanimous agreement was reached approving the new format.

GB Suggested the dates for bid submissions should be 30<sup>th</sup> January 2019 with approval April 2019. This was agreed by the council.

**Future position of the Chair and Secretary:** GB stated he was willing to re-stand in 2018 as the Chair of the WBC, but would not be opposed to a change in the chair, either way he would stand down in 2020 as he is of the belief that the Chair should be refreshed regularly.

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PT stated he was willing to re-stand in 2018 as the Secretary of the WBC however would not be opposed to a change if someone was better placed for the position.

## **AOB:**

GB would like to pass thanks on to Garth Strydom for his work on the council.

**MEETING CLOSED**