

Minutes of WFNMC Executive Meeting (Part 1)

Tuesday 19th July 2022 4pm

Present in person: Kiril Bankov (KB) (President), Krzysztof Ciesielski (KC), Petar Kenderow (PK), Alexander Soifer (AS)

Present online: Robert Geretschläger (RG), Maria Falk de Losada (MFL)

Absent: Peter Taylor, Sergey Dorichenko, David Crawford, Maria Losada

1. Welcome: The President welcome the participants.

2. Agenda: Executive Meeting Agenda was discussed. The only problem was if the topic concerning affiliation, subordination, and moral responsibilities of WFNMC would be considered as a separate point in Agenda (in particular, point 5) or as a part of point 9, i.e. "Other issues". AS explained his point of view. As a result of voting (4:2) it was decided that this topic will be a part of the last point of the meeting.

3. Preparation for the General Meeting of WFNMC, 24 July 2022: Some details were discussed. It was decided:

a) In the beginning Sergey Dorichenko and Evgeny Khinko will show a short presentation on the late Nikolai Konstantinov

b) It is General Meeting when RG will give a guide on submitting papers based on the talks presented at WFNMC-9 to Volume III of *Engaging Young Students In Mathematics Through Competitions*.

4. Preparation for the presentation of 2022 Erdős Medals: Erdős Medals will be delivered before the elections of the Committees for the period 2022-2026. It is known that two of three laureates will be present in person.

5. Nominations for WFNMC Standing Committees for the period 2022-2026: KB presented the proposed nominations. All proposed people accepted nominations. The only exception could concern Peter Taylor, as he recently wrote that he would continue work for the WFNMC, but probably not as a member of Executive, especially Treasurer. The participants of the meeting agreed that it would be very good to keep Peter in the Executive. KB said that he would contact Peter and clear up this problem. A short information on a Meike Akveld, a new candidate for Executive was provided. A short discussion concerning Borislav Lazarov, who was a very important person for the preparation of 9th Congress took place. It would be very suitable to join him to any Committee. The idea of including him to Awards Committee would cause some problems, as in the Award Committee there should not be two people representing the same country. The idea of replacing Francisco Bellot Rosado by Borislav as Regional Europe Representative was suggested. KB said that he would consult Borislav in this matter. MFL noticed that Sergey Dorichenko was not active enough as a member of the Editorial Board of WFNMC journal. It was also decided that Sergey would be consulted concerning this matter.

6. 10th Congress of WFNMC: The only proposal that has been received offering to host the 2026 WFNMC conference was Malaysia/Singapore. RG was informed about that, but not much details are known. The participants of the meeting agreed that Singapore is a better place than Malaysia. Nevertheless, we should know more details. RG will try to get more information before the second part of Executive Committee Meeting.

7. The time of the Meeting was over, as the time of Welcome Drinks approached. The next points of Agenda was postponed to the second part of Executive Committee Meeting, on Thursday 21st July 2022 8am.

by K.Ciesielski (Vice-President)