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## 30 th General Meeting of the International Go Federation

*Time:* 10:00~10:35, Saturday, 28 May 2011

*Venue:* 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, room 303 Shimane Prefectural Assembly Hall

### Agenda

1. Confirmation of the minutes of the 29th General Meeting \*Annex1
2. Election of the four directors
  - Martin FINKE \* Annex2.3
  - Eduardo LOPEZ
  - Jae-Ho YANG \* Annex4
  - Hiroko TAKI \* Annex5
3. Report by the IGF office
4. Operations report
  - (a) The 8<sup>th</sup> World Student Go Oza Championship (1~5 March 2010)
  - (b) The 31st World Amateur Go Championship in Hangzhou (24~30 May 2010)
  - (c) The 21st International Amateur Pair Go Championship (16.17 October 2010)
  - (d) The 16th Guangzhou Asian Games (12~27 November 2010)
5. Financial report for 2010 and Budget for 2011 \* Annex6.7
6. Election of Auditors for 2011
7. Reports on the SportAccord general meeting and the IMSA conference \* Annex8
8. Anti-doping activity \* Annex9
9. Operation plan for 2011 and 2012
  - (a) The 9<sup>th</sup> World Student Go Oza Championship (28 February~4 March 2011)
  - (b) The 32nd World Amateur Go Championship in Shimane (26 May~2 June 2011)
  - (c) The 33rd World Amateur Go Championship in China (2012)

- (d) The 34th World Amateur Go Championship (2013)
- (e) The 22nd International Amateur Pair Go Championship (19.20 November 2011)
- (f) The Sport Accord Mind Games ( 8~17 December 2011)
- (g) The 2<sup>nd</sup> World Mind Sports Games ( August 2012)

## 10. Other

### **Minutes (draft)**

The meeting began at 10:00, with IGF Vice President Eduardo LOPEZ in the chair. There were 57 members in attendance. The meeting was held in English, with interpretation into other languages. The meeting started with a silent prayer in memory of the victims of the 11 March and wishes for as rapid a recovery as possible.

#### **1. Confirmation of the minutes of the 29th General Meeting held on 25 May 2010**

The minutes were confirmed.

#### **2. Election of four directors**

Eduardo LOPEZ, Jae-Ho YANG, Martin FINKE, and Hiroko TAKI were elected as directors. Lopez and Yang will serve as Vice Presidents.

#### **3. Report by IGF Office**

Office Director Siming LIU gave a report. Unfortunately, the IGF President, Zhenming CHANG, was on a business trip to South Africa and so was unable to attend. He sent a message expressing his gratitude to the hosts of the World Amateur Go Championship, Shimane Prefecture and Matsue City, and to the Nihon Ki-in and all the participants.

Last year we changed to a new system, with the professional go associations of Korea, Japan, and China supporting the IGF and with the post of president being rotated. There was some awkwardness because of lack of familiarity with the new system. It is important for the three professional bodies to continue cooperating with a joint sense of purpose. Concerning details, a lot of consultation and improvements are necessary, as also is the cooperation of everyone in the holding of international events.

Yuki SHIGENO, IGF Secretary General, made a report. Various problems arose from the separation into two secretariats, one in China and one in Tokyo. We hope to make improvements. IGF activity has become much livelier than the previous years, beginning with the Mind Sports activities. We would like to request the increased cooperation of all members.

#### **4. Report on operations**

(a) The 8th World Student Oza Tournament is a students' tournament that is held in March every year (from 1~5 March in 2010) with the support of the Nikkei, Japan Economic Newspaper and Pandanet. Since last year, the IGF has taken part as a cooperating body.

(b) The 31st World Amateur Go Championship in Hangzhou was held from 24 to 30 May 2010 at the Hangzhou Qiyuan with 60 countries taking part.

(c) The 21st International Amateur Pair Go Championship was held at the Edmont Hotel, Iidabashi, Tokyo, on 16 and 17 September 2010 and was won by the pair from Korea.

(d) At the 16th Hangzhou Asian Games, held from 12 to 27 November 2010, go was an official competition sport for the first time.

## **5. 2010 Financial Report and 2011 Budget**

IGF Secretary General Yuki SHIGENO gave a report on these items. Starting in 2010, the IGF received a subsidy of \$90,000 to support its operations, consisting of \$30,000 each from the Chinese, Korean, and Japanese professional go associations. In 2010, the expense of doping tests and the directors' dinner and so on were borne by China, so expenditure on these items from this subsidy was zero. Since the expenses of the Special General Meeting were borne by the World Pair Go Association, the IGF was able to keep down its expenses.

Concerning the draft budget for 2011, there was a misunderstanding between the office and the China Qiyuan concerning its subsidy for 2011, so we have distributed a revised version. The unused portion of the president's secretariat's budget of \$60,000 has been deposited in the IGF's account. In 2011, the same amount will be deposited in the IGF's account, so it has been included in the budget. We are grateful to the China Qiyuan for its assistance.

The auditors reported that there were no problems with the 2010 Financial Report. This report and the 2011 Budget were both approved by the meeting.

## **6. Selection of auditor countries for 2011**

The meeting approved Thailand and Australia as the auditor countries for 2011.

## **7. Reports on SportAccord General Meeting and IMSA conference**

Vice President Thomas HSIANG gave a report on the General Meeting of SportAccord, held in London from 4~8 April 2011, the IMSA conference, and later developments. (Refer to Annex 8).

(i) On 4 April 2011, Mind Sport Partners (MSP) and IMSA signed a contract that had as its objectives the promotion and support of mind sports and fund-raising and the securing of a bid from a host city for the 2nd World Mind Sports Games (WSMG2), to be held in 2012. With the condition that MSP pays IMSA 250,000 Euros per year, it will retain 25% of all funds raised on behalf of IMSA.

Duplicate Poker is planning to hold an event called the World Championship of Duplicate Poker in London Eye on 17 November 2011, and it has called on the members of IMSA to participate with demonstration events, but we are not yet fully apprised of the details.

(ii) The 1st SportAccord Mind Games (SAMG) will be held at the Beijing Convention Centre (the same venue where the 1st WMSG were held) from 8~17 December 2011. There will be two go events, team and pair, with 30 players from six countries and

territories participating. (The participants are Korea, Japan, China, Chinese Taipei, the USA, and the EU.)

(iii) Concerning out-of-competition doping tests, which have not yet been put into effect, there have been talks between the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) and IMSA. The result is that WADA agreed to review this matter as it approaches a planned revision of its statutes in 2013.

(iv) Manchester was a strong candidate as venue for the 2nd WMSG, but to date matters have not progressed smoothly, as there has been disagreement with IMSA over the conditions. A few days ago, we were informed that Madrid had expressed interest. MSP plans to hold a meeting with local officials in June. Brazil has expressed interest in providing the venue for the 3rd WMSG in 2016.

### **8. Anti-doping activity**

A report was made by Secretary General Yuki SHIGENO (refer to Annex 9). Doping tests were carried out for the first time at the 31st WAGC held in Hangzhou in 2010. All were negative. We are grateful to everyone concerned for their cooperation.

This year, too, it was scheduled to hold doping tests at the WAGC starting tomorrow, but the Medical Commission and Doping Hearing Panel referred to in the IGF statutes do not at present exist. The Japanese Anti-Doping Agency (JADA) does not accept requests for tests from bodies whose Medical Commission and Doping Hearing Panel are not functioning, so the planned doping tests have been cancelled. We will do our best to resolve this problem, with IGF director Martin FINKE playing the central role.

### **9. Schedule for 2011 and 2012 operations**

(a) The 9th Student Oza Tournament (28 February~4 March 2011)

(b) The 32nd World Amateur Go Championship in Shimane (26 May~2 June 2011 will start tomorrow here, at the Shimane Prefectural Hall. This year 57 countries and territories are scheduled to take part. This year, too, Ranka-online will use the Net to present on-the-spot reports.

(c) The 33rd World Amateur Go Championship will be held at the Guangzhou Qiyuan at the end of March 2012.

(d) The 34th World Amateur Go Championship will be held in Japan in 2013. The venue and dates have yet to be decided.

(e) The 22nd International Amateur Pair Go Championship will be held at the Hotel Edmont in Iidabashi in Tokyo on 19 and 20 November 2011.

(f) (g) Thomas HSIANG reported on these events under item 7, so details are omitted here.

### **11. Other**

From the Korean Baduk Association: The 17th Asian Games will be held in Incheon in 2014, but go was removed as a regular event. For this reason, a signature-collecting campaign has been launched in Korea, and, as participants in an international event, all

of you have been requested to cooperate in collecting signatures. Persons who were sympathetic signed the petition.

The meeting closed at 10:35.