



UNION INTERNATIONALE DE LA BOULANGERIE ET DE LA BOULANGERIE-PÂTISSERIE

Minutes

of the Presidium's meeting of October 6, 2006, in Munich, Germany

Participants: Bert Kolkman, 'elected' vice-president
Peter Becker, vice-president
Renaldo Nanzer, secretary-general
Yuri Katsnelson, secretary
Wagener Henri, treasurer

and Elena Beizerova, Russia
Jacques Linster, Luxembourg
José Maria Fernandez del Vallado, Spain

excused: Emilio Madrid, president

1. Welcome and introduction

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'Elected' vice-president Bert Kolkman welcomes to this meeting. Unfortunately his state of health don't allow to president Emilio Madrid to participate in this meeting. Bert Kolkman asks José Maria Fernandez del Vallado to bring the president the best convalescent wishes of the UIB delegation. He thanks his German colleagues, especially their president Peter Becker and secretary Eberhard Groebel, for the organization of this congress. He congratulates the German association on the impressive iba 2006.

The UIB celebrates its 75th anniversary.

The delegates received from the secretariat-general on time the necessary meeting documents. Besides, the program and the agendas were available on the homepage.

There were again many contacts and events since the last board meeting:

- inclusion of the FEDIMA in the works of the UIB and demarche of the FEDIMA to set up a Federation of Federations. Here the UIB was confronted with the proposition of by-laws for an International Baker Council.
- discussions and preparation of the World Bread Forum in April in Moscow
- The committee of the Presidium analyzed with the secretary-general in Madrid objectives and works of the UIB.
- preparation of this board meeting with the secretary-general and discussion of the activities
- analysis and determination of UIB's organization and the carrying out of works, we will come back to

Regarding the agenda

Bert Kolkman proposed to complete the agenda with 'New members (3.1), Elections (5.1) and World Bread Forum (5.2). The agenda is approved with this modifications.

2. Approval of the Presidium's meeting minutes of April 23, 2006, in Amsterdam, Netherlands

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The minutes were drawn up in German and English and sent to the presidium's members.

Resolution: The minutes are approved with thanks to the author.

3. Preparation Board meeting

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The Presidium especially deals with open questions regarding dues, attitude towards the FEDIMA, regulations Auxiliary members, finances, the World Bread Forum in Moscow, the 75th anniversary and the preparation of the congress.

3.1 New members

The Hungarian baker association applies for the membership.

Resolution: Board and Congress is unanimously proposed to admit the Hungarian baker association as a member in the UIB.

4. FEDIMA

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Summary of the findings of the committee in Madrid

The UIB is very interested in a cooperation but is not prepared to integrate in an organization of the subcontractor industry. It wants to keep its independence and neutrality. On June 12, the FEDIMA sent a draft of by-laws for an international baker council meaning more or less the by-laws for a federation of federations. The Presidium decided to send the FEDIMA the following answer (extract):

'The UIB is now and always has been interested in maintaining a close relationship and cooperation with all our partners and subcontractors, for in our opinion, we have more interests that unite us than divide us, therefore, we trust you will understand when we explain to you that the UIB is anxious to keep its sovereignty, its independence and its neutrality. Today, the UIB safeguards the interests of all its baker members worldwide and it is for this reason that we could not find it feasible to join your new proposed federation. But we offer you and all other partners, an Auxiliary Membership. The rules and regulations that we have set forth are defined in the 'Auxiliary Membership Regulations' document we would like to present to you in Munich after approval by our board.'

A cooperation happens in safeguarding the common interests, as e.g. security, hygiene, duty of declaration, quality criterions and publicity for the bread consumption. It intensively happens in country specific fairs, the support of events, common seminars, etc. The partnership shall be organized in a regulation. Besides, preconditions for a cooperation listing up all known and desired activities. should be prepared. It is very desirable to better use synergies and cooperation possibilities with our partners and subcontractors. We all have the same objective: secure our common future.

The following items of a cooperation were defined:

- inclusion of supplier associations or suppliers in the UIB membership
- setting up of a commission or a council of experts for the professional discussion about healthy nutrition, diets, allergies, and GVO products
- preparation of a calendar of bakery fairs to avoid overlapping
- sponsoring of different baker competitions
- World Bread Day
- introduction of a scholarship for baker schools
- to find ways and means to help Third World Countries to set up baker organizations

The UIB delegates received from the secretariat-general in advance of this meeting the draft for the 'Regulations Auxiliary membership' as well as the objectives belonging to it.

Bert Kolkman summarizes:

- The UIB extends its organization by the category 'Auxiliary Membership'.
- The possibility to integrate partly in the work of the UIB to make use of synergies and to protect and promote together the interests of a well-functioning and strong bread, cakes and

pastry market shall be offered to interested suppliers of raw material, manufacturers of semifinished products, subcontractors and services enterprises.

- For that purpose the organization is extended by a new working group Partnerships. The concrete objectives are part of the 'Regulations Auxiliary membership'.
- The due for an organization as Auxiliary member amounts to 2000 Euros.

Resolution: The 'Regulations Auxiliary membership' with the objectives and the dues belonging to it is submitted for approval to the Board.

5. Report of the preliminary discussion in Madrid

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Bert Kolkman, Peter Becker, Renaldo Nanzer and José Maria Fernandez del Vallado met in Madrid to prepare the meetings in Munich. President Emilio Madrid had to excuse at short notice because of illness. The information and proposition in these minutes are the findings of this meeting.

Future secretary-general/secretariat-general

Secretary-general Renaldo Nanzer will reach by the end of 2007 the age-limit in the Swiss association. He is prepared to continue in his office till then or probably till the congress 2008. In the meantime it will be clear if the Swiss association will still make available its main secretary for the secretariat-general of the UIB. This will be in fall 2007. If the Swiss association will apply for the continuation of the secretariat-general this will be an item in the agenda of the congress 2008.

5.1 Elections

An intensive discussion defines to propose new qualified vice-presidents. From a 'ranking list' 1st, 2nd, 3rd vice-president is refrained. The Presidium decides if necessary on the basis of the possibilities and availability who will be 'elected' vice-president. Only active master bakers and/or owners being also president of their national association are eligible. These facts must, if necessary, concretely be laid down in the by-laws.

It's de duty of the Board to make proposals to the congress. On September 8, the delegates received the application of the Presidium for the organization for the next two years.

Preliminary remark

In accordance with the by-laws the presidium is composed as follows:

- one chairman = president (term of office tow years, once re-eligible)
- three vice-presidents; the Presidium decides who will be 'elected' vice-president depending on possibilities and availability
- one treasurer, eligible for an indefinite period
- one secretary, eligible for an indefinite period

President

Peter Becker informs about the present-day situation. In absence of the president, it's the duty of one of the vice-presidents to introduce his successor Peter Becker points out the long-standing efforts of Bert Kolkman, Netherlands.

Resolution: Board and congress are proposed to elect Bert Kolkman, Netherlands, president.

'elected' vice-president

Resolution: Board and congress are proposed to elect Peter Becker, Germany, 'elected' vice-president.

Therefore, he will probably take over the presidency in 2008.

Vice-presidents

Resolution: Board and congress are proposed to elect Christian Vabret, France, vice-president.

Regarding the confirmation of vice-president Victor Gavito, CIPAN, the Presidium proposes: A seat in the presidium is left to the CIPAN as decentral, regional organization. This seat is not nominal but kept for the CIPAN delegate then in office. This is at the moment Victor Gavito Baranda.

Resolution: Board and congress is proposed to left for the CIPAN a not nominal seat in the presidium. It names its delegate by its own.

Confirmations

The following persons must be confirmed in their offices:: secretary Yuri Katsnelson, Russia; treasurer Henri Wagener, Luxembourg.

Resolution: Board and congress are proposed to confirm Yuri Katsnelson, Russia, and Henri Wagener, Luxembourg, in their offices as secretary or treasurer respectively.

Extension of the presidium

Resolution: Board and congress are proposed to grant the Spanish association in the presidium a seat as 'co-opted' member. Justification: Spain guarantees the coordination to the CIPAN countries.

Designated is Lorenzo Alonso, the new president of the Spanish association.

5.2 World Bread Forum

In Amsterdam was decided to support the World Bread Forum in Moscow and to organize it under the patronage of the UIB. Yuri Katsnelson, Russia, and his collaborators did a very big and intensive preparatory work. The green light was given to Yuri Katsnelson and he was asked to draw up a program and a concrete budget. Coarse preconditions were:

- Political and economically surrounding of the bakery president Bert Kolkman
- UIB criterions of bread quality (flour, yeast, raw material, treatment) expert out of the UIB
- Bread in the nutrition dietician
- The education in the UIB countries: NL, D, CH, brief presentation three UIB members
- The efforts of the subcontractors: short talk FEDIMA member
- Summary and future of the baking industry President UIB

Parallel, different seminars could be planned and advertised, e.g. the presentation of different education systems, discussion about consumer requests, new products, scientific and organizational facts as presentations of partners. But this would take place out of the actual World Bread Forum. In August the UIB members received a written invitation to this World Bread Forum. www.breadbusiness.ru informs about it. Today, 14.30 h, during the iba a press conference for the presentation of the World Bread Forum in Moscow is planned. Yuri Katsnelson informs about the latest developments:

- The preparations have well advanced.
- For lack of time and because the Russian government hasn't answered yet it was impossible to give information in advance of the meeting.
- A letter was written to 71 countries, 300 invitations to the press conference were sent.
- The Russian president received an invitation. The World Bread Forum is registered in the political schedule.
- It is planned to organize the event in the Kremlin.
- The mayor of Moscow promised his support.
- Budget: 5000 participants are expected. The budget amounts to 2,8 million Euros. 40 % would be guaranteed by the government of Moscow. The balance is expected from sponsors and participants. A fee of \$ 470 per participant is planned (two conference days, speaker fees, two receptions, two lunches, printed matters, organization).
- Yuri Katsnelson distributes a detail program scheduling different seminars and workshops (enclosure).

Bert Kolkman thanks for the information as well as for the preparation and opens the discussion. It especially concerns:

- The preparations are good; the forum will take place in April 2007.
- Apparently, speakers are missed.
- The appointments books 2007 of all important persons are quite booked up.
- Considering above-mentioned facts the detailed budget is unintelligible.
- 5000 participants would certainly be positive, but hardly realistic. Other events confirm this.
- \$ 470 per participant are much too high.
- The financial risk is not settled.
- The UIB has no reserves to guarantee a deficit.

Yuri Katsnelson explains the organizational difficulties. Administrative decision need their time. He is convinced that the Russian government will participate. In reply to the reproaches to several news from Russia doubting about the realization of this World Bread Forum he says that the support of the government of Moscow is guaranteed and the negotiations go as planned. He is confident that 1000 persons will come from abroad and the rest will participate from Russia itself. In Russia, there are 14 000 baker's shops employing 300 000 persons. Bread is a basic food and that's why there is a great interest in the Forum.

After an intensive discussion the Presidium comes to the conclusion: the UIB is under no circumstances able to take the financial risk and that's why it cannot be the organizer of the World Bread Forum. It supports the World Bread Forum and will help the Russian association in all areas.

Resolution: The World Bread Forum is under the responsibility of the Russian association. It is the organizer, not the UIB. The UIB is invited and will do a part of the event. It will hold its board meeting during the World Bread Forum. It supports the Russian association with its organization and its know-how. The Board is proposed to decide correspondingly.

6. Members

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6.1. Unpaid dues

6.1.1 Apply for expulsions

6.1.2 CIPAN

6.1.3 France?

Secretary-general Renaldo Nanzer informs.

Unpaid dues

Bulgaria	balance 2005 of 460 Euros, 2006 unpaid
South Korea	2005 and 2006 unpaid, application for expulsion
Ukraine	2003, 2004, 2005 and 2006 unpaid, application for expulsion
CIPAN	2005 one delegate was paid. As per our resolution in Paris the CIPAN is entitled to two delegates. The due 2006 must be paid correspondingly. The Spanish colleagues will initiate the necessary.
Romania	2005 and 2006 unpaid; letter of president Aurel Popescu with the request to dismiss the membership because of a reorganization of the Romanian association
France	2005 unpaid, but 2006, vacant

The long-standing debtors were reminded in their language. The congress is proposed to expel the association of South Korea and Ukraine. The membership of the Romanian association is stopped. The due 2007 will be to owed.

7. Finances

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Secretary-general Renaldo Nanzer informs about the current situation. The Board will receive the documents.

8. Information, suggestions, discussion

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Board, April 22 to 27, 2007, Moscow, Russia

At the same time, the first World Bread Forum will take place. Yuri Katsnelson and Renaldo Nanzer inform about a possible optional supporting program.

Board, September 1 to 3, 2007, Hungary, place?

Boldizsár Ilonka informs.

Board spring 2008, Paris, France, date?

It was actually planned to hold this meeting in Sao Paulo. Since the spring board meeting will take place during the **Europain in Paris** this conference venue is scheduled for fall 2008. Bert Kolkman thanks the Brazilians for their flexibility and the French for the invitation.

Congress fall 2008, Sao Paulo, Brazil, date?

Marcos Salomão is looking forward to organize the fall meeting in Brazil. The exact date will be announced in 2007.

The spring meeting 2009 will probably be held in Switzerland.

Closing words

Bert Kolkman thanks for the attention and the active taking part.

For the minutes

Renaldo Nanzer

– program Moscow