

Minutes of EJA Board Meeting Vitoria 2009-07-05

1 Opening of the Meeting

Jon opened the meeting.

- **Meeting Participants**

The attendance list was circulated and everyone gave a short presentation of themselves.

- **Board Members attending and record of proxy votes**

The following voting attendees were present.

Person	Role	Comment
Fredrik Almgren	EJA Secretary	
Jon Skjerning-Rasmussen	EJA President	
Daan Yperman	EJA Treasurer	
Tobias Horstman	EJC 2008 Rep	
Norbert Schaiter	Rep AT	
Stephen McGinley	EJC 2006	
Philip Nicolai	Rep DE	
Deniz Soyarslan	Rep Turkey	
Adolfo Rossomando	Rep IT	

Daan is proxy on behalf of Fabien, Rep EJC 2004 Carvin.

- **Non-Voting Attendees**

The following non-voting attendees were present.

Person	Role
Deirde Toher	EJA Workgroup coordinator
Ali Close	Prereg coordinator
Sonja Boeckmann	EJA Archivist
Christian Bross	Co-rep EJC 2011 Munich
Sebastián Morizot	Candidate EJC 2012 Toulouse
Thomas Romeo	Candidate EJC 2012 Toulouse
Daemien Wild	Candidate EJC 2012 Toulouse
Olivier Caignart	Co-rep EJC2004 Carvin
Joanny Vitta	EJA Artist coordinator
Wout Saurem	Candidate EJC 2012 Belgium
Arno Wauter	Candidate EJC 2012 Belgium
Maarton Janssens	Candidate EJC 2012 Belgium
Lukasz Geadysl	Candidate EJC 2012 Poland
Mirek Urban	Candidate EJC 2012 Poland
Magdalena Szejgiec	Candidate EJC 2012 Poland
Lukasz Fesisz	Candidate EJC 2012 Poland

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2 Presentation by candidacies for EJC2012

It was explained that each candidate received a maximum of 15 minutes for presenting their candidacy. The candidates were assigned the random order of presentation of Poland, Toulouse and Belgium.

Poland

The proposed area is Lublin. The city is looking for ways to profile itself and the current mayor has decided that juggling has a good profile.

The candidate showed a video presentation with several facts on number of permanent showers, WC, parking sizes etc.

The area is closed off by a river on one side. Five separate buildings with several showers. The site is made available for free. The area is used by two different municipal teams.

The site is fairly compact so distances are small. Distance from train station is less than 4 minutes.

The organizing team is made up from people from Lublin as well as from other parts of the country. They have already organized a convention last year and will organize one next year.

Toulouse

The candidates handed out an information leaflet and showed a picture show to present the area and site.

Figures for number of permanent WC and showers were presented. The current site is the one preferred by the candidate group and it was secured only a few days ago. The site would have an internal train.

The organizing team is from Par Haz'Art and the core team is currently around 8 people.

Belgium

The candidate group has a joint experience in organizing several conventions. There are four people in the core team who were presented by name.

The showed a video from the "Extreme Convention" which is a convention they organized before.

Number of permanent toilets exceeds 120 and there are 24 changing rooms with showers.

3 Questioning of the candidates

To Toulouse - how many jugglers do you plan for?
- 4500 people who pay for a full week

How many people does **Toulouse** expect from France?
1500-2000 probably.

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To **all teams**: Do you have dates in mind?

Toulouse: Late July

Poland: Late July

Belgium: Late July

To **Poland**: What is the budget?

Prices in Poland can be cheaper but with 3500 and EUR 100 per juggler it would be break-even.

To **all teams**: How certain are the deals for the site locations?

Poland: No signed contract but feels support of town. The same site will be used next year for the convention then. Feel confident that they will get the space for free.

Toulouse: Have a verbal agreement with the cultural responsible and feel that the city is really interested in having this event.

Belgium: An agreement with the city for a contract proposal that will be signed if Belgium is given EJC2012.

To **Toulouse**: The budget seems large and points to 3500 preregs which can be compared to 2300 for Karlsruhe and 1500 for Vitoria. It seems too high to budget for 3500 preregs. How can the budget be adjusted for fewer participants?

There are items that can be reduced if income is not as high as hoped.

4 Decision to approve candidacies

Voting EJA Board members present: Norbert, Tobias, Filip, Jon, Fredrik, Deniz, Stephen, Adolfo

Non-voting participants: Sonja, Dee, Ali, Olivier

It was commented that the Toulouse budget was a bit high but that it hopefully could be managed downwards if needed. EJC2008 commented that the most reasonable budget so far is the Belgian.

Dee reported that she has checked the validity of the numbers for the candidates and they all seem to work out and be realistic.

It was noted that none of the teams sent a financial plan before the meeting.

Poland

Items to clarify are the team size and organization as well as the financial plan.

Toulouse

EJA is a bit worried that their budget is too large. They should be encouraged not to present the current budget but to work on reducing it first. The assumption on number of participants is too high and also some expenses are too high.

Belgium

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The gala show setup might need consideration.

Voting

Poland - 7 pro, 1 abstention, 0 against

Toulouse - 7 pro, 1 abstention, 0 against

Belgium - 7 pro, 1 abstention, 0 against

All candidates were thus approved and were given information immediately following the meeting.

5 AOB

It was decided that the deadline for candidacies for EJC 2013 is 2010-02-15.

Votes: 8 in favor, 0 against, 0 abstentions,

General feedback for application for next year was to let EJA provide a blank budget template and suggest presentation of organizing team.

6 Closing of the meeting

The meeting was closed and the participants went to inform the three candidates of the approval of their candidacies.

Minutes taken by

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EJA Secretary