



BoD Meeting Minutes – February 23, 2026 Online

Meeting Called to Order at 14:03 ET by Elise Seignolle, President

Roll Call: Chris Cugliari, Secretary General:

- Present: Elise Seignolle (President), Ryan O’Shea, Tomas Cianca, Marcos Candido de Brito, Stephen Jones, Kathy Harper-Hall, Tamm Thibeault
- Absent: Amabelis Camano (excused), Dhany Reyes (unexcused)
- Quorum: Quorum was established with seven of nine voting members present.

Conflicts of Interest:

- No new conflicts were disclosed by members present.

Approval of Minutes:

- The meeting minutes from February 16th were reviewed.
 - Motion: Kathy Harper-Hall moved to approve, seconded by Elise Seignolle.
 - Vote: Motion passed unanimously.
 - The approved minutes will be posted to SharePoint.
- Discussion held regarding whether the Board must approve minutes that ultimately require Congress approval. Approval will be handled via email once further clarity on the constitutional process is obtained.

- Remote Approvals:

- Sustainability & Solidarity Commission
 - Alberto Torres (COL): Approved – Ryan, Kathy, Stephen, Elise, Marcos approved (majority)
 - Renzo Lionel Eyzaguirre Lira (BOL): Approved – Elise, Marcos, Ryan, Stephen, Kathy approved (majority)
- Judicial Commission
 - Adjudication Chamber – Will Burroughs (USA): Approved - Elise, Marcos, Ryan, Stephen, Kathy approved (majority)
 - Governance Chamber – Lyla Simon (CAN): Approved – Ryan, Kathy, Stephen, Elise, Marcos approved (majority)

President’s Report (Elise Seignolle)

- Grassroots Partnerships: The team is working on potential sustainability and solidarity partnerships with Boxing Bullies (gym renovations in Mexico and Colombia) and Matchroom Boxing (holistic grassroots support).
- Broadcasting: Engagement is ongoing with Pan Am Sports Channel for potential broadcasting of boxing, starting with upcoming events like Guadalajara.
- World Boxing Membership Fees: A formal process for fee reductions (Levels A, B, and C) is being implemented to support National Federations (NFs). NFs have a two-week deadline to submit financial documentation for relief.

Extraordinary Congress (March 31, 2026):

- Quorum: At least 50% (14 full members) must be present and in good standing.



- Statute Amendments: Updated versions of the statutes, including a guest attendance policy for World Boxing members and extended vetting/campaign timelines for candidates, were reviewed.
 - Motion: Ryan moved to accept the latest version; Elise seconded.
 - Vote: Approved unanimously.
- Host Bids: Bids for the year-end Annual Congress are due by early March (approx. March 13). Statutes do not require Congressional approval of location.

Competition Updates:

- Guadalajara Qualifier (Central American & Caribbean Games Qualifier): 13 NFs and 86 athletes are registered across all 14 weight classes.
 - Safety Assessment: Due to recent unrest in Jalisco, the Board is monitoring local security and the "barometer" of a diving World Cup held on March 1st. A final decision on proceeding will be made in the coming days.
 - Quota Allocation: All participants in Guadalajara are prioritized for quota spots at the summer games in the Dominican Republic. Remaining "wild card" spots will be allocated based on gender balance, weight class participation, and NOC representation.
- Youth South American Games (Panama): A successful test event was recently held in Panama with participants from Guatemala, El Salvador, and Panama.
- World Boxing Cup (Brazil): Final entries are due March 6; 417 athletes from nearly 50 countries have registered.
- Papp Cup (Hungary): A proposed one-night elite event in November 2026 to provide international exposure for continental medalists. Assessing with Sport & Competition Committee and will revisit.

SafeSport Initiatives:

- Workflow: A new framework for confidential and timely handling of SafeSport complaints during competitions has been established.
- Training: Recommended that all Board members complete SafeSport training (approx. 90 minutes; \$20 fee covered by the Confederation).
 - Motion: Ryan moved that all Board members complete training within 90–120 days; Elise seconded.
 - Vote: Approved (5 Yes; Tomas absent for vote).

Commission Appointments:

- Sustainability & Solidarity Commission:
 - Motion: Ryan moved to appoint Sam Contreras (El Salvador); Elise seconded.
 - Vote: Approved.
- Event Management Commission: Discussion regarding Jose Vellon (Puerto Rico); the CV will be circulated for an email vote to follow proper process.

New Business:

- Website: A first draft of the new Confederation website is expected in the coming days.

Adjournment: 15:22 ET (approximately 79 minutes duration).

- Motion: Kathy Harper-Hall moved to adjourn, seconded by Stephen Jones.
- Next Meeting: Strategic board meeting scheduled for Monday, February 23, 2026.