
Minutes OF THE DANCESPORT EUROPE (Hereinafter: “DSE”) ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY (Hereinafter: “AGA”) 2024

1. Call to Order

DSE President Mr. Robert Wota called to order the Annual General Assembly at 13:45 CET.

Mr. Wota welcomed the delegates and guests to the Regent Ballroom B Room in hotel Regent - Warsaw, Poland

Mr. Wota thanked the Polish DanceSport Federation and especially Mr. Antoni Czyzyk, President of the Polish DanceSport Federation and WDSF Vice President for Development, for the great assistance in organizing this AGA.

Mr. Robert Wota has informed the members that due to personal reasons Mr. Ludwig Wieshofer, Treasurer of DSE, is unable to be in the DSE AGA, but his report was prepared as necessary and will be duly presented.

2. Report on Convocation of the Meeting and Submission of Motions

DSE President Mr. Robert Wota provided the report on the Convocation of the Meeting and Submission of Motions. Mr. Wota informed the members that the first information was sent on April 17th 2024, the final agenda was sent to the members on August, 27th 2024 and the booklet was sent on October 2024.

Mr. Robert Wota informed the members that due to the change of the dates of the DSE AGA and the uncertainty in regards to the date in which the DSE AGA will be held, the first information was sent late according to the DSE Statutes (which dictate that the information should be sent By January 15th).

Due to that, mr. Robert Wota has requested a vote to approve the convocation of the meeting, stating it would need a 2/3 majority as it was a statutes issue.

The vote was unanimously approved.

3. Roll Call and Ascertainment of Votes

DSE President Mr. Robert Wota informed the meeting that of the 38 DSE members, there were 28 members present of which 2 are represented by proxy. There are 26 members with the right to vote at the beginning of the meeting.

Given that more than 1/4 of the voting members in terms of number of votes represented by the delegates were present, the General Assembly can be convened as duly constituted as stated in article 9 of the statutes.

At the beginning of the meeting, the simple and 2/3 majority were calculated as follows:

Present members:	28
Represented by Proxy:	2
Total eligible to vote:	26
Simple majority:	14
2/3 majority:	18

4. Election of the meeting Chairman

According to art. 9 of DSE Statute Mr. Robert Wota, DSE President, chairs the DSE AGA.

There were no other nominations.

Unanimously Approved with one abstention (of Mr. Wota).

Mr. Wota was elected to act as the Chairperson of the meeting.

5. Election of the meeting Secretary/Minute Keeper

DSE President Mr. Robert Wota on behalf of the Managing Committee, suggested Mr. Lior Belenky (Israel) to act as the meeting secretary and minute keeper.

Mr. Lior Belenky has accepted this role.

There were no other nominations.

Unanimously Approved, Mr. Lior Belenky was elected to act as the Secretary of the Meeting.

6. Appointment of Scrutineers

DSE President Mr. Robert Wota on behalf of the Managing Committee, suggested

- Mr. Anton Kurttila (Finland) and
- Mr. Matej Chren (Slovakia)

to act as Scrutineers of the meeting.

There were no other nominations.

Unanimously Approved, Mr. Anton Kurttila (Finland) and Mr. Matej Chren (Slovakia) were elected to act as Scrutineers of the meeting.

7. Recognitions and Special Welcomes

DSE President Mr. Robert Wota, on behalf of the management committee, welcomes:

WDSF President Mr. Shawn Tay.

WDSF First Vice President and Vice President for Finance, Mr. Tony Tilenni

WDSF Vice President for Sport, Mr. Nenad Jeftić

WDSF Vice President for Communications, Mr. Jeffrey Van Meerkerk

WDSF Vice President for Marketing, Mr. Vasile Gliga

WDSF Vice President for Development, Mr. Antoni Czyzyk

WDSF Vice President for Legal Affairs, Mr. Jim Fraser

WDSF General Secretary Mr. Sergey Nifontov

WDSF Presidium Member Ms. Patricia Goh.

WDSF Presidium Member Mr. Charles Ferriera

WDSF Presidium Member Mr. Boris Odikadze

WRRRC President Ms. Miriam Kerpan-Izak.

WDSF President Mr. Shawn Tay has thanked the DSE and his Managing Committee for the invitation for this important AGA. WDSF President Mr. Shawn Tay has thanked DSE President Mr. Robert Wota, expressing the gratitude of WDSF for the work of DSE Managing committee and it's importance, and expressing the importance of working together, while emphasising that only together we can move forward.

8. Allocation of Time

DSE President Mr. Robert Wota on behalf of the management committee, proposed the allocation of time to be 3 minutes for speech per topic, with an added 1 minute for additional comments per topic.

Mr. Robert Wota have asked if there were any other suggestion, there were none.

The motion was unanimously approved.

9. Urgent motions

DSE President Mr. Robert Wota has explained that, according to Article 9 of the DSE statutes a 2/3 majority is required to accept an addition of an urgent motion to the Agenda.

Once the DSE AGA approve the urgent motion, it will be added to the agenda and a simple majority will be required to approve the urgent motion.

Mr. Robert Wota in the name of the DSE Managing Committee asked for a vote to include the following urgent motion.

Urgent Motion: To release the All Ukrainian DanceSport Federation from DSE annual membership fee payment for the calendar year 2024 with the preservation of all membership privileges, including the right to vote.

Unanimously Approved to enter the motion into the Agenda.

Now DSE President Mr. Robert Wota kindly ask the members to vote for the motion to release the All Ukrainian DanceSport Federation from DSE annual membership fee payment for the calendar year 2024 with the preservation of all membership privileges, including the right to vote.

The motion was carried with one abstention.

As follows, the new allocation of votes is:

Present members:	28
Represented by Proxy:	2
Total eligible to vote:	27
Simple majority:	14
2/3 majority:	18

10. Approval of the Agenda

DSE President Mr. Robert Wota on behalf of the management committee informed the delegates that the 2024 Agenda were circulated to DSE members on August 27th 2024.

DSE President Mr. Robert Wota moved that the DSE AGA approve this Agenda.

The Agenda was unanimously approved.

11. Approval of the minute of 2023 Annual General Assembly

DSE President Mr. Robert Wota on behalf of the management committee informs the delegates that the 2023 minutes were circulated to DSE members on 27th July 2023.

Mr. Wota moves that the DSE AGA approve this Minutes.

The Minutes were unanimously approved.

12. President's Report

DSE President Mr. Robert Wota informed that the president's report was circulated in advance by E-mail.

Mr. Wota asks if there were any questions or comments in regards to this report - there were no questions or comments.

Mr. Wota moves that the DSE AGA approve this report.

The Report was unanimously approved.

13. Secretary General's Report

DSE President Mr. Robert Wota informed that the Secretary General's report was circulated in advance by E-mail.

Mr. Wota asks if there were any questions or comments in regards to this report - there were no questions or comments.

Mr. Wota moves that the DSE AGA approve this report.

The Report was approved with one abstention.

14. Treasurer's Report

DSE President Mr. Robert Wota informed that the Treasurer's report was circulated in advance by E-mail.

Mr. Wota asks if there were any questions or comments in regards to this report - there were no questions or comments.

Mr. Wota moves that the DSE AGA approve this report.

The Report was unanimously approved.

15. Approval of the Financial Statement 2023 including:

- Profit and loss statement
- Balance Sheets
- DSE Financial controller's Report
- Approval of the annual financial statements

Ms. Magdalena Czarnocka-Kaptur DSE Financial Controller has read the report prepared by the DSE Financial controller's and asked if there were any question on the report.

Mr. Juris Arais has asked, why was the accounting price was so high according to general budget as mentioned in the DSE Financial Controller's report.

Mr. Robert Wota has informed that Mr. Ludwig Wieshofer has prepared an answer for this question by the request of Mr. Wota.

Mr. Robert Wota has informed the DSE AGA that first of all the majority of the price was paid during the first half of 2023, which doesn't refer to this managing committee and secondly that the majority of this price (about 2.800 Euro) was paid for making the financial statement of 2022 by an external company, which the invoice for was sent days after the 2023 DSE AGA.

Mr. Robert Wota has assured the members that the managing committee agrees that the price for accounting was too high for the size of DSE, and reminded that as written in the report, this year's financial statements were prepared by Mr. Wieshofer without any costs.

Hearing no more questions, Mr. Wota moves that the DSE AGA approve financial statements for 2023.

The financial statements for 2023 were unanimously approved.

16. Approval of Managing Committee's work from the last General Assembly to the present

Mr. Robert Wota has asked if somebody will rise the motion to approve the MC's work for last year?

The delegate from France has raised a motion and the delegate from Slovakia Supported this motion.

Hearing that Mr. Robert Wota has requested the members to vote of the Motion to approve the work of the Managing committee from the last AGA to present day.

The motion to approve the work of the DSE Managing Committee's Work from the last AGA to the present was unanimously approved.

17. Annual membership fee 2025

DSE President Mr. Robert Wota on behalf of the managing committee proposes to not make any changes in the amounts of the membership fees.

Hearing no other suggestions, Mr. Robert Wota has requested the members to vote on the Annual membership fee 2025.

The Motion was unanimously approved.

18. Approval of the Action Plan 2025

DSE President Mr. Robert Wota has informed that the Action Plan was circulated by E-mail in advance (September 19, 2024 MC Minute) , and has asked DSE Vice President Mr. Mircea Gavrilă to present it in more details.

DSE Vice President Mr. Mircea Gavrilă informed that for the last few years himself and DSE MC member Mr. Pietro Braga (before being MC members) have tried to find ways to better DanceSport, amongst which is finding sponsors and different income options.

As such Mr. Gavrilă remarked that one of the ways to do so is to enter Social Dancing and Beginners levels into the DSE System. Mr. Gavrilă informed that it will not be easy, and will require the support of the members and that they have already contacted different DSE Members to find solutions and ways to incorporate their athletes in the system.

Mr. Gavrilă has also informed the DSE Members in regards to the project of DSE European Team Match Championships and the benefits of this project to bring more interest from the athletes.

Mr. Pietro Braga has also added in regards to the steps that were already made by them to improve DSE and to cooperate with different countries, and has also presented the further steps that they are planning to achieve to further improve DanceSport in Europe.

Ms. Lina Chatkeviciute (Lithuania) has asked what progress is possible to be done in the next year out of these plans.

Mr. Braga has informed that they do a lot of work but they depend on the support of the members and that is why the timeline presented depends on this support.

Mr. Gavrilă has added that he plans to do the best to keep the timeline and will do the best to keep the members informed in the progress of the different projects.

Hearing no more questions or comments, Mr. Robert Wota has asked the members to vote to approve the action plan.

The Action Plan was approved with one abstention.

19. Approval 2025 DSE Provisional Budget

Mr. Robert Wota informed that the 2025 DSE Provisional Budget was circulated by E-mail.

Hearing no question or comments, Mr. Robert Wota requested the members to vote to approve the 2025 DSE Provisional Budget

The 2025 DSE Provisional Budget was unanimously approved.

20. Miscellaneous

DSE President Mr. Robert Wota has asked if there were any other points, questions or comments from the members.

Hearing non, he moved to the next point.

21. Adjournment

Before adjourning the AGA, Mr. Juris Arajs (Latvia) has requested that for the future the DSE AGA will be organized on Friday Evening, not morning and that when the time for the AGA will be sent to the members that it will not be changed.

Mr. Robert Wota accepted the comment by Mr. Arajs and had promised to do the best to achieve it in the following year.

The AGA was adjourned at 14:45 CET

DanceSport Europe
President

Robert Wota



DanceSport Europe
Secretary General

Luigi Bodini