



# PATCO Congress minute Vila Velha, Brasil – June 30th, 2013

Assembly installation at 14:15 hrs on sunday June 30th, 2013

#### **Attendees:**

Argentina	Costa Rica	Jamaica	Puerto Rico
Carlos González	Ma. Cristina González	Alan Beckford	Fernando Delgado
			Freddie Sánchez
Aruba	Cuba	Mexico	
Glenda Tromp	Aurelio Romero	Eligio Cervantes	Surinam
	Diosele Fernández		Caroll Heuvel
Bolivia		Nicaragua	
Graciela Jurado	Rep. Dominicana	Antonio Silva	Trinidad & Tobago
	Luis López		Stanley Patino
Brazil	Henry Reyes	Panama	
Carlos Froes		Ivette Bourette	Uruguay
	Ecuador		Santiago Moyano
Canada	Julio Ramírez	Paraguay	
Stephen Holmes		Edgar León	USA
	El Salvador	Oscar Rotela	<b>Bob Wendling</b>
Chile	Adonai Mancia		Steve Kelley
Eduardo Jara		Peru	
	Guatemala	Ma. De la Luz Muñoz	Venezuela
Colombia	Roberto Vergara		Pablo Machillanda
Pedro Chirino			Julio Segovia

#### **Executive Committee:**

Stephen Holmes Jaime Cadaval Bob Wendling Wladimir Gajardo Fernando Suárez Luis López

#### **PATCO staff:**

Gustavo Svane Rodrigo Milazzo Mónica Romero

### ITU:

Antonio Álvarez Gergely Marcus





**Jaime Cadaval –** Extended a warm welcome to all present delegates.

He named all the present countries and clarified that not everyone would be entitled to vote for election of President of PATCO according to ITU regulations which state that in order to vote, national federations must be in "good standing with ITU" having covered their annual fee of \$300 USD.

**Pablo Machillanda** of Venezuela complained and stated that he was not aware that his federation owe this fee.

**Jaime Cadaval** – As every national federation received previous Congress minutes, he requested their reading to be dispensed. Accepted unanimously.

With the resignation of Mario Rodriguez, also came the resignation of Vicky Reyes leaving vacant the role of Administration Manager for PATCO. Monica Romero assume this role and PATCO offices were transferred to Mexico locating them at the Mexican Olympic Committee which is a nonprofit association and causes no cost to the PATCO.

With the resignation of the president, the table officials are taking the lead and in constant communication to carry out daily activities of PATCO.

Budget for PATCO was set and sent to Madrid for approval by the ITU. Since October 2012 ITU President Marisol Casado offered to support PATCO increasing the budget to the double and will be used to develop triathlon in America.

All National federations were invited to send their sporting needs especially concerning athletes, coaches, technical officials, etc.

Clarifies that there was a carryover from 2012 that increases the budget even more.

He said that in the last Olympics, London 2012 the countries representing America were: USA, CAN, BER, MEX, BRA, CHI, COL, ARG.

For 2013 will be taking place: 17 Continental Cups, 4 World Cups in Canada, 2 in Mexico, 1 World Series event in San Diego, to make a total of 22 events. 15 of them were already held on the first half of the year.

Regarding the PATCO Team, he mentioned that within the allocated budget is already contemplated support for 3 men and 3 women per event excluding the developed countries which are: United States, Canada, Mexico and Brazil.

Nominations for 2014 and 2015 venues were discussed at the Executive Committee's meeting and were only received two applications from U.S. and MEX respectively.

During the Executive Committee meeting was also important issue the qualifying process for the YOG. The classification shall be made between April, May and June, 2014.

The Executive Committee will analize the proposal to publicize the continental selective for





YOG between April, May and June looking for a venue that has no complications for all concerned countries to attend.

Among the important issues discussed at the Executive Committee meeting was decided to ask ITU president Marisol Casado to send a motion letter to the Organising Committee of the Toronto Pan American Games to include Para- triathlon as it is already included in the Olympic Games of Rio de Janeiro 2016.

**Stephen Holmes -** Says that PATCO's financial situation had never been better.

**Bob Wendling** - Expressed his appreciation for the assistance of all countries attending the Congress.

**Jaime Cadaval** – Asked vote to rate the report of the Executive Committee meeting. Approved unanimously.

NO RESOLUTIONS REGISTERED.

### **Financial Report**

Presented by: Bob Wendling

Explains how the administration works inside PATCO. First applications emerge, Bob Wendling, (Treasurer) approves them, Monica Romero (administrator) manages them with ITU administration and ITU finally makes payments through Adrienne Proseilo.

**Jaime Cadaval** - PATCO 's budget is categorized by concepts. Commented about the great communication between ITU and PATCO for sport development and clarifies that there is a carryover in the budget so he invited all national federations to come to Gustavo Svane, Rodrigo Milazzo, Gergely Marcus and/or Edgar Rodríguez in case they wish to apply for any sport development program for their countries.

Asked voting to rate the financial report . Approved unanimously.

### Vote for PATCO President

**Jaime Cadaval** - Clarified that the vote would be secret and the options for voting: YES - NO - ABSTENTION and the positive result would be confirmed with 50% + 1 vote.

During the voting process were too many comments and objections regarding the absence of the single candidate Antonio Alarco from Peru.





Voting results were:
9 votes in favor
6 against
6 abstentions
The position remains vacant.

### **Coaches Commission Report**

Presented by: Rodrigo Milazzo

Proposes eliminating junior ranking by saying it has no influence and instead add places to the regionals.

**Luis Lopez** (Dominican Republic) makes a positive comment about the work done by the sports committee.

**Antonio Alvarez** (ITU) confirms that the direction taken by the Technical Committee has been very good and we must ensure that the process is transparent.

**Fernando Delgado** (Puerto Rico) complained at the Executive Committee arguing that PUR athletes received a visa denial despite being an American colony and they couldn't participate.

**Rodrigo Milazzo** (PATCO) says that the time between the qualifiers and the events should be enough to solve these kind of problems.

**Bob Wendling** (USA) says that PATCO is working closely with the ITU to be aware about event dates and no tie between each other. Ensures that if the assembly approves the proposed events, we will be able to avoid this kind of incidents.

**Fernando Delgado** (Puerto Rico) remarks that in October, Puerto Rico will be hosting one Continental Cup, therefore he proposes to make a new Congress to revisit the issue of voting for president of PATCO.

**Jaime Cadaval** - Appreciated Fernando Delgado's proposal, but clarified that the decision of an ordinary or extraordinary next Congress is of the Executive Committee.

**Glenda Tromp** (Aruba) commented that the assembly is the one who should make those decisions and some countries supported.

**Antonio Alvarez** (ITU) Externed his considerations about the invitation of Puerto Rico, but nevertheless is not a decision to be taken in Congress and must be carefully considered.





## **Sport Development Report**

Presented by: Gustavo Svane

He spoke briefly about their roles and listed the events for this 2013.

- 17 Continental Cups
- 3 Continental Championships
- 5 Continental junior's Cup
- 4 World Cups
- 1 World championship series
- 1 World championship
- 4 Regional games
- 1 World Games

Also enlisted the events for 2014.

Bermuda's Continental Cup T&T's Continental Cup and Caribbean Championships

Explained the selection process for the technical delegates and technical delegate assistants (37 DT and 37 ADT).

All Technical Delegates must send a report of their events to be used to locate the areas to improve.

Esteban Benitez is in charge of compiling these reports.

He showed that there was a huge increase in participation of junior athletes between 2012 and 2013.

He showed the detail of PATCO Team assistance program. Each country sends its proposals and the Technical Committee evaluates and approves so that men and women have the same opportunity.

Showed a comparison chart of the past seven years showing the assistance given and the number of athletes who have benefited from this program.

Showed an informative video of a level 1 course in Nicaragua.

He showed a map with the geographical distribution of the PATCO officers all around the continent.

He clarified that the courses throughout the continent are based on the needs and proposals of each federation.

He played some courses videos to show how the budget intended for sports development is been used.

The next courses for TD are: Puerto España – Julio 2013 Bermuda – Sept 2013





San Luis, Argentina – Oct 2013

There will also be two courses for facilitators.

The next coaching courses are:
Port of Spain - July 2013
Belize - August 2013
Guatemala - September 2013
San Juan , Puerto Rico - October 2013
Montevideo, Argentina - November 2013

### **Sport Development Principles**

Presented by: Rodrigo Milazzo

Promote the development of regional-level athletes Integration between athletes and coaches

#### Projects implemented

- Junior Regional Championship
- PATCO Courses Olympic Solidarity
- EVETRI, Virtual Platform
- Training Camp
- Questions the need to maintain a junior ranking
- Team PATCO U23
- Courses Level 1 Olympic Solidarity
- Virtual Platform 2013
- Detection of talent 2013 based on federations with coaches in the virtual platform.

#### Junior Regional Championships

- Coquimbo
- Juan Dolio
- Waiting North american qualifier.

#### Team PATCO

3 women

3 men

Provide assistance to athletes with international posibilities and track their progress always under the principle of equity.

It works like a relay system so many athletes have opportunity to participate.

1st. Quarter - 5 athletes

2nd. Quarter - 4 athletes

Only applies to developing countries.





The requests for the courses must be done by each federation and evaluated together with the ITU. There are too many requests and not enough budget so NF's also have to ask their Olympic Committee for support.

Seeks to promote a training camp through the countries having a high performance center inviting other countries to assist.

### Virtual School triathlon coaches (EVETRI) - in spanish -

#### **Presented by: Edgar Rodriguez**

He began his presentation explaining the "forgetting curve", based on out tendency to forget things we don't constantly read and learn.

EVETRI platform has been evolving constantly since 2007. For 2014 they have designed a books update.

Platform structure is based on 3 levels and 3 phases per level.

- 1. Sport initiation
- 2. Sport Specialization
- 3. High performance

#### **Educational Tools**

1. Books: They are perfectly studied to fulfill the purpose of teaching without falling into boredom. An analysis of typography, white space, graphics, etc. . Each theme has a different color.

Phase 1: Tasks, virtual classrooms, forums and virtual tests.

Phase 2: Totally practical classes . 70 % Practical - 30 % theory.

Phase 3: Practice.

Translation from Level 1 will be completed by July 31. The USAT is supporting this translation.

Courses start in April and May 2014. Development and results had been remarkable with this platform.

#### **Antonio Alvarez**

- Asked for an applause for Rodrigo Milazzo for his great job in America.
- He commented about the outstanding job done by the Executive Committee despite having no president.
- He thanked Bob Wendling and Alan Beckford for supporting the development of triathlon in
- Extended an invitation to all present NF's to assist the ITU Congress which will take place on September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2013 in London.
- Commented that a dinner will be organized between be a ITU ETU PATCO (date to be





confirmed) during London Congress.

- Congratulated Jaime Cadaval for taking great control of the PATCO while achieving to have an elected president.

## **Presentations**

#### **Regional Games**

XVII Bolivarian Games, Trujillo November 2013 Presented by: Fernando Suárez

X South American Games, Santiago 2014

Presented by: Wladimir Gajardo

Central American and Caribbean Games, Veracruz 2014

Presented by: Jaime Cadaval

Panamerican and Para –panamerican Games Toronto 2015

Presented by: Stephen Holmes

#### **ITU Services**

Presented by: Gergely Marcus

#### **ISF International School Sport Federation**

Presented by: Freddie Sánchez

During London Congress will de discuss how to access SOI funds.

**Jaime Cadaval** expressed his gratitude and pride to all attendees for their presence, patience, involvement and support.

The Congress ended at 18:30.