

To the
Members of the Alpine Youth & Children's Sub-Committee
- Janez Dekleva, Chair of the Children's Race Organisers Group
- Rudi Huber, Executive Director, SRS

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Oberhofen, 06.10.2024

Minutes of the FIS Alpine Sub-Committee for Youth & Children's Questions meeting

Dear Ski Friends:

Thank you very much for your valuable contribution to our meeting.

Please find enclosed minutes of the meeting of the Alpine Youth and Children's Sub-Committee. You are kindly asked to send any remarks to these minutes to the FIS Office (flere@fisski.com) within two weeks.

May I take this opportunity to wish you a successful winter to those members from the Northern Hemisphere and a safe summer to all in the Southern Hemisphere.

Kindest regards,



Chairman
Stefan Johnsen Havnelid
S.C. Youth & Children's Questions



Janez Flere
Alpine Technical Coordinator

**INTERNATIONAL SKI AND SNOWBOARD FEDERATION
Sub-Committee for Alpine Youth & Children's Questions**

**41st Meeting Sub-Committee for Youth & Children's Questions
Wednesday, 25.09.2024, 14:00 – 16:00hrs.**

Minutes

1. Welcome, opening of the meeting and Roll Call of Members present

The Chair opened the meeting and welcomed all members and guests. He made special mention of Ken Read (CAN), Honorary member of the FIS Alpine Committee and Massimo Rinaldi (ITA), Chair of the Alpine Committee. Jenny Shute (GBR) called the Roll Call of Members and officers present.

Chair: HAVNELID Stefan Johnsen (NOR)

Vice Chair: KIRCHMAIR Harald (AUT)

Members:

BOEGGILD Kenneth, (DEN); BOLGER, Derek (IRL); BORISOV Igor, (KGZ); DEFLORIAN Paolo, (ITA); DEKLEVA Janez, (SLO); DORSS Dinars, (LAT); ERTL Andreas (GER); GATTI Gian Luca, (SMR); GRITSI Sophia, (GRE); KARHILA-RASAANEN Jaana, (FIN); KNIGHT Chip, (USA); LEMEIRE Christophe (BEL); MARTIN Philippe, (FRA); MITAL Martyna, (POL); MORI Akira, (JPN); NINUA Nini, (GEO); PASTOR Jacques, (MON); POLAT Metin, (TUR); RAJCAN Michal, (SVK); SHUTE Jenny, (GBR); SLJUKA Igor (BIH); THOMPSON Jeff, (CAN); VISA Carles, (AND); VOCINIC Ivan, (CRO); ZURBUCHEN Werner, (SUI).

Excused: KRIZOVA, Olga (CZE)

Honorary Member Alpine Committee: READ Ken, (CAN)

FIS Staff: FLERE Janez; PUJOL Jordi; ROSSEL Wim; VRECL Matjaz; MITTERBAUER Geri

Replacements:

BARTA Csaba, (HUN) (for VAMOS Attila); FIGUEIREDO Sergio, (POR) (for FARROMBA Pedro); SALA Juli, (ESP) (for RUIZ Carolina); SUNDBERG Karin, (SWE) (for FELLMAN Tobias);

Guests:

DEMETZ Alexia (ITA) (Val Gardena); DALLOZ Stephane, (FRA); FREY Walter, (SUI); HOFER Franz, (SUI); JACQUEMOD Ingrid, (FRA); KAIDISCH Giorgio, (ITA) (JWSC 2025); LANDSTROM Darryl, (USA); LEACH Martin (GBR); MESTRONI Jacob, (ITA) (JWSC 2025); MIGNOT Dominique, (FRA); MITTERMAYER-WEINHANDL Mario, (AUT); MOANGE Ake, (SWE); ODASHIMA Ken, (JPN); RINALDI Massimo, (ITA); SENONER Rainer, (ITA) (Val Gardena); SUNDQUIST Anders, (SWE); THORSTEINSDOTTIR Brynja, (ISL); TOUSSAINT Patrick (AND); WEINMAN Jeff, (USA).

Apologies had been received from HUBER Rudi, (SRS)

2. Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was approved with no additional comments

3. Approval of the Minutes of the 40th meeting held 06.05.2024 in Portoroz (SLO)

The minutes were approved, without further comment.

3.1 Matters arising:

- Start limitation U18 – FIS Council had decided to REJECT this proposal, and proposed an alternative solution to limit athletes to 40 starts in U18 category. USA felt that wouldn't make sufficient impact and they will prepare a new proposal ahead of the Spring meetings, ideally finding a way to make the limitation work for athletes from the southern hemisphere.

4. Reports from Special Groups

4.1. Equipment/SRS (Rudi Huber, AUT)

Rudi Huber (AUT) is excused.

Injury reporting varies between nations; it is necessary to find a way to gather this information from the NSAs in a uniform way.

4.2. FIS Children's Race Organisers Committee (Janez Dekleva, SLO) - 2024/2025 Calendar

The group has now finalised the calendar for Children's FIS races for the coming season 2024/25. Events run from January 2025 through to the end of April 2025. The annual meeting of the group will be held next month in Taernaby (SWE). All ROCs cooperate closely with their NSAs. The Chair thanked the CROC organisers for their excellent work in putting best practice into running important development competitions for young athletes.

4.3. FIS Athletes Health Unit (AHU) (Gerald Mitterbauer, FIS)

He thanked the Chair for the invitation to present the latest updates from the AHU to the Sub-Committee. The AHU welcomes suggestions and advice for Alpine Y&C topics, in particular relating (initially) to injury prevention.

The AHU was set up 3 years ago to improve physical and mental health across all disciplines, and at all ages. It is directly linked to FIS management. The work started in Alpine, because the greatest amount of information was already available, with the aim of creating measures/activities to improve health protection. They have considered equipment (performance and protective), as well as rules /regulations / tech innovations. The AHU is keen to gather data in the youth range in order to provide evidence-based education to improve health and reduce risks of injury.

Current projects include knee/concussion/overuse/mental health.

It is clear that some NSAs track injuries in youth, others don't.

The Chair thanked Geri Mitterbauer (FIS) for his work and his excellent presentation and asked for volunteers from the Sub-Committee who have the capacity to contribute to this investigation.

5. Proposals

No new proposals.

6. FIS Alpine Junior World Ski Championships (Jordi Pujol, FIS)

6.1. 2025 – Tarvisio (ITA) – Presentation by Giorgio Kaidisch (ITA)

There have been two inspections already, and a European Cup event will be run ahead of the World Junior Championships; the OC is strongly motivated; big emphasis on sustainability. There are two separate ski areas – one for speed, the

other for technical events. First TCM 24.02.2025. Website just launched:

www.tarvisio2025.it

The Y&C leadership will convene a meeting in Tarvisio (ITA), to discuss the work of this Sub-Committee with all coaches.

6.2. 2026 – Candidate

Narvik (NOR) 2020 was interrupted by the pandemic; it is hoped that they will be able to host the event if it can be fitted in with preparations for the Narvik Alpine World Ski Championships 2029.

6.3 2027 - Candidates

Open. Lake Placid (USA) is a possible option, others are encouraged to apply.

7. Other Youth Competitions

EYOF events will be held in Bakuriani (GEO) between 10.-15 Feb 2025.

No additional information was presented

8. FIS Youth Development

A complete report of the Youth Development programme for Alpine skiing will be presented in Spring meeting.

9. Varia/New Business/Questions/ Best Practices/Knowledge Exchange

9.1 Speed Camp Presentation

Val Gardena (Rainer Senoner, ITA)

Val Gardena - keen to develop this legacy project for the youngest athletes; 28-30.11.2024; 2 days speed clinic; emphasis on girls; FIS speed races follow on.

Open only for girls born 2007/2008. Coaches will be available if they don't have their own. Contact: info@saslong.it

10. Next Meetings

FIS Spring Meeting, 05.-09. May 2025, Vilamoura (POR)

The Chair closed the meeting, and offered best wishes to all for successful meetings and a successful season ahead.

For the Minutes: Jenny Shute (GBR)

Read and approved by Chair, Stefan Johnsen Havelid (NOR)