INTERNATIONAL SKATING UNION

Communication No. 1402

Decisions of the ISU Council

The ISU Council held meetings on June 25 and July 1-2, 2006 in Budapest, Hungary. The following were among decisions taken by the Council during these meetings:

1. **Appointments**

The Council made the following Appointments in line with the 2006 ISU Constitution:

Director General Fredi Schmid, Switzerland

Treasurer Ulf Lindén, Sweden

Legal Advisors Gerhardt Bubník, Czech Republic

James L. Hawkins, U.S.A.

Chair Sports Directorate Peter Krick, Germany

Figure Skating Sports Director Pending

Speed Skating Sports Director Hugo Herrnhof, Italy (**Tbc**)

Legal Director Pending

Medical Commission Chair Jane M. Moran, Canada

Medical Commission Members David Mitchell. Great Britain

Sanda Dubravcic-Simunjak, Croatia

Joel C. Shobe, U.S.A.

Harm Kuipers, Netherlands

Hiroya Sakai, Japan

Ruben Ambartsumov, Ukraine

Development Coordinator György Sallak, Hungary

Technical Committee Members "Coaches"

Single and Pair Skating Oleg Vassiliev, Russia

Ice Dancing Krisztina Regöczy, Hungary

Synchronized Skating Cathy Dalton, Canada

Speed Skating Günter Schumacher, Germany

Short Track Speed Skating Pending

Technical Committee Members "Skaters"

Single and Pair Skating Ice Dancing Synchronized Skating Speed Skating Short Track Speed Skating Matthew Savoie, U.S.A. Sylwia Nowak-Trebacka, Poland Inka Eräkangas, Finland Pawel Zygmunt, Poland Mathieu Turcotte, Canada

2. ISU Membership status decisions

a) Serbia

Following the results of the referendum in Montenegro and decision taken by both the parliament of Montenegro on June 3, 2006 and the parliament of Serbia on June 5 to separate the states of Serbia and Montenegro the ISU received an application from the "Association of Skating Sports of Serbia" to become a full Member. In accordance with Article 6, paragraph 3 and paragraph 4 the ISU Council acknowledged that ISU Membership requirements had been met and therefore accepted the Association of Skating Sports of Serbia as a full Member with immediate effect.

No application from an association from Montenegro has been received and therefore no ISU Member is currently in place in Montenegro.

b) Argentina

The Council accepted an application by the Argentine Ice Speed Skating Union to join the ISU as a provisional Speed Skating Member with immediate effect.

c) Cyprus

The Council decided per Article 6 and Article 17 1.g) of the Constitution that the Cyprus Ice Skating Federation is suspended with immediate effect due to failure to maintain minimum membership requirements, principally lack of activity. Absent proof of compliance with minimum ISU requirements for Membership, the Council will propose exclusion of the Cyprus Ice Skating Federation to the 2008 Congress.

3. Council meetings

The Council agreed to hold a special autumn meeting on 15-17 September 2006. As announced in ISU Communication 1350, the Council also convenes in Geneva (SUI) on October 13-15, 2006.

4. Allotment of ISU Championships

ISU Championships 2007

In accordance with Rule 127 of the ISU Regulations the Council has definitely allotted the Championships for 2007 as follows:

Speed Skating

European Speed Skating Championships, January 12 - 14, 2007

Federazione Italiana Sport del Ghiaccio: Collalbo/ Italy

World Sprint Speed Skating Championships, January 20 – 21, 2007

Norges Skøyteforbund: Hamar/ Norway

World Allround Speed Skating Championships, February 9 - 11, 2007

Koninklijke Nederlandsche Schaatsenrijders Bond: Heerenveen/ The Netherlands

World Junior Speed Skating Championships, February 23 - 25, 2007

Österreichischer Eisschnellauf Verband: Innsbruck/ Austria

World Single Distances Speed Skating Championships, March 8 - 11, 2007

U.S. Speedskating: Salt Lake City/ USA

Short Track Speed Skating

World Junior Short Track Speed Skating Championships, January 12 - 14, 2007

Czech Speed Skating Federation: Mladá Boleslav/ Czech Republic

European Short Track Speed Skating Championships, January 19 – 21, 2007

National Ice Skating Association of UK: Sheffield/ UK

World Short Track Speed Skating Championships, March 9 - 11, 2007

Federazione Italiana Sport del Ghiaccio: Milan / Italy

World Short Track Speed Skating Team Championships, March 17 - 18, 2007

Hungarian National Skating Federation: Budapest/Hungary

Figure Skating

European Figure Skating Championships, January 22 - 28, 2007

Polish Figure Skating Association: Warsaw/ Poland

Four Continents Figure Skating Championships, February 5 - 11, 2007

The United States Figure Skating Association: Colorado Springs/ USA

World Junior Figure Skating Championships, February 26 – March 4, 2007

Deutsche Eislauf-Union: Oberstdorf/ Germany

World Figure Skating Championships, March 19 – 25, 2007

Japan Skating Federation: Tokyo/ Japan

Synchronized Skating

World Synchronized Skating Championships, March 30 – 31, 2007

Skate Canada: London, Ontario/ Canada

5. Provisional allotment of pending 2008 and 2009 ISU Championships

The Council decided to postpone the decision for the provisional allotments of pending 2008 and 2009 ISU Championships until the September 2006 Council Meeting.

6. Summary Figure Skating Officials Evaluation 2005/2006

During the 2005/2006 season the Assessments (warnings) were determined jointly by the assigned Officials Assessment Commission members and by the Technical Committees. The Council reviewed and ratified the following Assessments and 1 demotion:

a) Single and Pair Skating:

Assessment 1: 24 Assessments Assessment 2: 4 Assessments Assessment 3: 1 Assessment

Total season 2005/06: 29 Assessments

Out of which 20 concerning Program Components

8 concerning Technical Elements

1 concerning both Program Components and Technical

Elements

Previous Seasons Assessments:

Total season 2004/05**: 42 Assessments Total season 2003/04**: 20 Assessments Total season 2002/03*: 11 Assessments

b) Ice Dancing:

Assessment 1: 12 Assessments Assessment 2: 10 Assessments Assessment 3: 2 Assessments

Assessment 4/Demotion: 1 Assessment/Demotion (see Communication 1376)

Total season 2005/06: 25 Assessments

Out of which 8 concerning Program Components

16 concerning Technical Elements

1 concerning both Program Components and Technical

Elements

Previous Seasons Assessments:

Total season 2004/05**: 56 Assessments
Total season 2003/04**: 9 Assessments
Total season 2002/03*: 4 Assessments

c) Synchronized Skating:

No Assessments were given.

Previous Seasons Assessments:

Total season 2004/05**: 0 assessments Total season 2003/04**: 1 assessment Total season 2002/03*: 2 assessments

The concerned Officials have been notified about the Assessments through their Members.

7. Recognition of new World Records Speed Skating

Upon the recommendation of the Speed Skating Technical Committee, the Council has recognized the following new World Records Speed Skating:

World Records 2005/2006

Men 1500 meters

1.42,68* Shani Davis USA Calgary, 19.03.2006

Men 10 000 meters

12.51,60* Sven Kramer NED Calgary, 19.03.2006

Men Allround Combination (500-5000 / 1500-10 000 meters)

148,799 p.* Chad Hedrick USA Calgary, 21/22.01.2006

(36,23-6.16,93 / 1.44,92-13.18,06)

145,742 p.* Shani Davis USA Calgary 18/19.03.2006

(35,17-6.10,49 / 1.42,68-13.05,94)

Ladies 1000 meters

1.13,46* Cindy Klassen CAN Calgary, 24.03.2006

1.13,11* Cindy Klassen CAN Calgary, 25.03.2006

Ladies 3000 meters

3.53,34* Cindy Klassen CAN Calgary, 18.03.2006

Ladies Sprint Combination (500-1000 / 500-1000 meters)

149,305 p.* Cindy Klassen CAN Calgary, 24/25.03.2006

(38,18-1.13,46 / 37,84-1.13,11)

^{* =} Assessment based on the previous 6.0 based Judging System.

^{**=} Assessments based on partly the ISU Judging System, partly the previous 6.0 based Judging System

Ladies Allround Combination (500-3000 / 1500-5000 meters)

157,177 p.* Cindy Klassen CAN Calgary, 21/22.01.2006 (38,37-3.57,96 / 1.52,71-6.55,77)

154,580 p.* Cindy Klassen CAN Calgary, 18/19.03.2006 (37,51-3.53,34 / 1.51,85-6.48,97)

Junior World Records 2005/2006

Men 3000 meters

3.43,20* Håvard Bøkko NOR Calgary, 21.03.2006

Men Team Pursuit

3.56,27* Netherlands NED Erfurt, 12.03.2006 (Ted Jan Bloemen, Wouter Holde Heuvel, Boris Kucsmirak)

Ladies 3000 meters

4.00,63* Martina Sábliková CZE Calgary, 22.03.2006

Ladies Team Pursuit

3.09,11* Netherlands NED Erfurt, 12.03.2006 (Ingeborg Kroon, Maren van Spronsen, Foske Tamar van der Wal)

8. ISU Diploma of Service

The ISU Council decided to award Mr. Horst Klehr (GER) with an ISU Diploma of Service in recognition of his contribution and service to the ISU over many years as an ISU Short Track official.

9. ISU Communications

Members are reminded that, in accordance with Article 21, paragraph 3 of the Constitution, and following the decision of the Budapest Congress under item 11 of the Congress agenda the following Communications have continued validity:

No. 1019 No. 1117	Rink Board Padding – Short Track Speed Skating Citizenship/Residence Requirements and Clearance Procedure
No. 1221	ISU Code of Ethics
No. 1265	Cut Resistant Clothing in Short Track Speed Skating
No. 1298	Synchronized Skating – Clarification of Rules
No. 1300	Procedure for Certificate of Medical Exemption due to High Hemoglobin
	Concentration
No. 1310	ISU Disciplinary Commission Rules of Procedure
No. 1328	ISU Judging System – Availability of Hardware and Software
No. 1341	Synchronized Skating - Clarification of Rules

No. 1352	ISU Procedures for Blood Testing
No. 1356	ISU Appeals Commission Rules of Procedure
No.1372	ISU Anti-Doping Rules
No. 1373	Anti-Doping Procedures
No. 1391	Ice Dancing – Clarification of Rules
No. 1393	Synchronized Skating – Clarification of Rules

8. Pair Skating Tryout

Further to ISU Communication No. 1381, paragraph 3) and the acceptance of proposal number 56 on the Agenda if the 51st Ordinary Congress relating to Rule 109 and the nationality and residency requirements for Pair and Ice Dance couples, the ISU Council reiterated its decision to organize a PAIR TRYOUT for skaters from different Members looking for an appropriate partner. This TRYOUT might take place at the end of some ISU Championships or International Competitions during the following seasons. Ice will be provided and paid for by the ISU and world class pair coaches and skaters will be available for assistance.

Travel and accommodation/meal expenses would be borne by the Member sending a skater or the skater him/herself.

To better evaluate whether there is interest for such initiative, Members are asked to send by September 30, 2006 to the ISU Secretariat the names of potential skaters being candidates for this Pair Skating Tryout and to indicate also the preferred dates and venues among the following ISU Championships:

- ISU European Figure Skating Championships, Warsaw/Poland January 22-28, 2007
- ISU Four Continents Figure Skating Championships, Colorado Springs/USA, February 5-11, 2007
- ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships, Oberstdorf/Germany February 26 March 4, 2007.

Milan,

Ottavio Cinquanta, President

July 21, 2006

Lausanne,

Fredi Schmid, Director General