



## **Minutes of the 2021 NORCECA General Assembly Nov. 25, 2021**

The NORCECA general assembly (GA) for 2021 was held November 25<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 PM CET via Microsoft Teams video conference due to COVID precautions and restrictions from the Meridian Beach hotel in Monaco two days before the UIPM General Assembly.

The GA was called to order by NORCECA President Rob Stull.

Roll call was made. Present via video were representatives from Bermuda, Puerto Rico, Jamaica, Canada, Guatemala, El Salvador, Mexico, Dominican Republic, and the USA. Cuba was present via whatsapp call. Not present but excused was Haiti who could not connect due to communication challenges in the nation. 11 nations present.

Also present was Max Papillon as UIPM development officer and Fulvia Lucantonio, UIPM general counsel and serving as the election manager for the NORCECA elections for 2021-24. Language translations were provided by Juan Manzo, UIPM VP with Max and Fulvia, who are fluent in several languages.

Rob Stull (RS) delivered the President's report, much of this can be found in the 2021 UIPM Congress book under regional reports. In his report he discussed the development and accomplishments within the region over the past 5 years including two years of pandemic and significant budget cuts. Compliments were offered to all nations regarding the way they each handled the crisis and were able to keep our sport functional and growing.

Following the report of the President the elections of officers for the period 2022-2024 were conducted by UIPM counsel, Fulvia Lucantonio (FL).

FL - The calling notice for the elections and assembly was provided in a timely manner according to the statutes and sent to all nations electronically. Nominations were opened and any interested parties were to send their nominations to "legal@pentathlon.org." The nominations were then closed. At the time of the assembly. Nominations were received for 7 of the 9 positions. None were contested. The nominees were elected by unanimous acclamation. 11-0. The remaining positions were then filled. Since Percy Barberina (GUA) accepted the position of VP, the remaining candidates from Guatemala withdrew their nomination (one representative per nation rule with the exception of the athlete's and coaches representatives). Therefore, the following positions were filled 1 VP, SG, and 1 member of the board. These were also elected by unanimous acclamation 11-0. The results are as follows;

## **NORCECA Election Results 2022-2024**

### **President**

Rob Stull USA

### **Vice Presidents**

Percy Barberena esq. Guatemala  
Freddy Nunez Dominican Republic  
Rod Staveley Canada

### **Secretary General**

Doris Mayorquin Cuba

### **Treasurer**

Dr. Liston Bochette Puerto Rico

### **Board Members**

Patrick Singleton Bermuda  
Eduardo Palomo El Salvador  
Manuel Montiveros Mexico

### **Athlete Representative**

Sophie Hernandez Guatemala

### **Coaches Representative**

Dr. Genadijus Sokolovas USA

Following the elections of the new board general informative discussions focusing on the critical matters to be presented at the UIPM Congress. Particular importance was the ratification of the executive board decision of Oct 31, regarding presenting 4 sports with a 5<sup>th</sup> discipline as yet undecided to the IOC by the deadline of November 24, 2021. Discussion was held with agreement to support the ratification primarily due to the increased accessibility such an option can provide to our region. Cuba emphasized low cost must be stressed for the 5<sup>th</sup> discipline.

UIPM elections were discussed. Emphasis was made that all NF's are free to vote as they choose however solidarity support was requested for candidates from the Americas. Most important was support for Juan Manzo of Mexico since he was in a close race. The motions presented to the UIPM congress were discussed. Significant discussion regarding the motions from Canada involving riding rule modifications was held with further information and clarification to be provided by the UIPM competition department. RS (USA) would host a whatsapp group for the UIPM Congress to assist NORCECA nations.

RS (USA) discussed further updating our bylaws to comply with current UIPM rules and this was unanimously agreed. FL agreed to assist in this process.

PB (GUA) offered the complete support to all NORCECA nations but emphasized El Salvador as ELS is scheduled to host the 2023 CAC games.

General discussions ensued with FN (DR) offering his congratulations and support. JM (Mex) emphasized riding would continue in Mexico even if it would not be part of the Olympic event. This was welcomed as a good possibility.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 11:00 PM CET.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rob Stull". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a prominent initial "R" and "S".

Rob Stull - President UIPM NORCECA December 2, 2021