

**8th Annual
North American Powerlifting Federation (NAPF) Congress/General Assembly
Cielo Mar Hotel – Aguadilla, Puerto
August 03, 2010 [10:00 – 12:00pm]**

- I. Call Meeting to Order
 - a. The 8th Annual NAPF General Assembly/Congress was called to order at 10:00am by Robert Keller, Secretary General for the NAPF.
 - b. Introduced delegates of the NAPF.
- II. Roll Call of Voting Members & Delegates
 - a. 14 votes counted and all credentials were approved – President, Vice-President, Secretary General, Championship Secretary, Technical Chairman, Cayman Islands, Dominican Republic, Guatemala, Guyana, Mexico, Puerto Rico, Trinidad/Tobago, USA, and USVI.
 - b. Sergio Centeno designated to be the official translator for the General Assembly.
 - c. Meeting turned over to Dr. Larry Maile, the President of the NAPF and IPF Vice-President.
- III. NAPF President's Address [Dr. Larry Maile]
 - a. Welcomed and thanked all delegates and member federations for attending the Congress and Championship.
 - b. Special thanks to Mayor Mendez, the City of Aguadilla and Nestor Gregory for all of their hard work in preparing this year's championship.
 - c. Extensive rules changes proposed for this year's IPF Congress. Important that all member federations attend.
 - d. Discussed the purpose of the IPF Meeting that will take place in Munich on August 28/29, 2010 – Restructure of the IPF, to include weight class changes, major technical rule changes.
 - e. Selection meets for World Games which include 2012 World Championships and 2012 NAPF Regional Championships.
- IV. NAPF Vice-President's Address [Nestor Gregory]
 - a. Thanked everyone for coming to the championship.
 - b. First ever CAC Championship.
 - c. Will be resigning as the VP of the NAPF at the completion of the championship. Note: Special thanks go to Nestor for his 40+ years of service to the sport of powerlifting
- V. General Secretary Address [Robert Keller]
 - a. Welcomed and thanked everyone for attending the championship.
 - b. Region continues to grow and expand outward. Special thanks to all member federation for their contributions this past year – great work!
 - c. Special thanks again to Mayor Mendez and the City officials of Aguadilla as well as Nestor Gregory and Puerto Rico PL Federation organizing committee.
 - d. Thanked the following member federations for directing the following championships: Gabriel Garcia / NAPF Bench Press / Acapulco, Mexico and Peter Green / Caribbean Championship / Georgetown, Guyana.
 - e. Acknowledged and thanked Mr. Gregory for his loyal and historical service to both the IPF and the NAPF.
 - f. Reviewed Nomination/Invitation Procedures for IPF and NAPF Championships.

- g. Thanked everyone for contributing to the NAPF Humanitarian Relief Project for Haiti at the Caribbean Championships. Special thanks go to Guyana Powerlifting Federation for assisting with the delivery of the goods collected for victims of the earthquake and transported to Haiti.
- VI. Technical Chairman [Bill Clayton]
 - a. Reviewed procedures for IPF Cat I and II Examinations this weekend. Procedures for making application to take the referee examination.
- VII. Championship Secretary [Sergio Centeno]
 - a. Reviewed Nomination/Invitation procedures for IPF and NAPF Championships.
 - b. All NAPF Championships will now be streamed live via the internet.
 - c. Ongoing training of more scoring managers. Training member federations to use Marksteiner Program.
- VIII. Agenda Items
 - a. 2011 World Games Selection Guidelines – Cali, Colombia [Maile]
 - i. Discussed and reviewed World Games selection criteria
 - ii. Colombia with no legitimate operating federation
 - b. NAPF Regional Training/Coaching Seminar [Keller]
 - i. Will be held in conjunction with Caribbean Championships.
 - c. NAPF Administrators Conference [Keller]
 - i. Will be held in conjunction with Caribbean Championships.
 - d. Review WADA Code – Standards and Guidelines [Keller/Maile]
 - i. Testing guidelines. More IMT testing to take place at the National Championships.
 - e. Recertification Clinics for Referees [Clayton]
 - i. One [1] recertification clinic must be attended for IPF Referees to recertify their credentials for 2012.
- IX. IPF/NAPF Calendar of Events
 - a. 2010 Caribbean Championships – Guyana / Complete
 - b. 2010 North American/Pan-American Bench Press – BVI / October 7 – 9
 - c. 2011 Caribbean Championships – Cayman Islands / March 2011
 - d. 2011 North American Regional Powerlifting Championships – USVI / June
 - e. 2011 North American Regional Bench Press – USVI / October
 - f. 2011 North American “Raw/International” International Team Cup – USVI / October
 - g. Updates to Calendar to be forwarded to Detlev Albrings and Tony Cardella. Also, Powerlifting Watch.
- X. Bids for Future Championships
 - a. 2012 Caribbean Championships – Trinidad/Tobago / Bid / Withdrawn / Instead goes to Roadtown, BVI.
 - b. 2012 North American Regional Powerlifting Championships – Mexico / Bid / Will be held in Cancun. Pending Security Review with USA State Department.
 - c. 2012 North American Regional Bench Press Championships – Costa Rica / Withdrawn. Instead goes to Denver, USA.
- XI. IPF Motions to Congress [Please see Appendix I] All Passed 14 – 0.
 - a. IPF Technical Rule Change – Jury Procedures.
 - b. IPF World Championship Bid Process – Selection Process.

- XII. New Member Federations
 - a. Dominican Republic
 - b. Claudio Lora, Nestor Gregory, Sergio Centeno and Fernando Baez will assist in the development of this federation.
 - c. Grenada. Not sure federation is really activated. Will consult BVI Federation.
 - d. All are provisional members of the NAPF.
- XIII. Disciplinary
 - a. Aruba [Suspended] – The Aruba Bodybuilding and Powerlifting Association [ABPA] remain suspended by IPF and NAPF for failure to pay 500.00 Euro fine for the drug-testing failure of Abdel Kelly, which took place at the 2008 NAPF North American Championships held in Oranjestad, Aruba. Ongoing negotiations continue with the Aruba Olympic Committee and now through the IFBB to receive payment.
- XIV. Motions from the Floor
 - a. Move NAPF Regional Championships from June/July to February/March timeframe. Motion Failed.
- XV. Adjournment
 - a. Meeting adjourned at 12:00pm.

Signed, prepared and certified: September 01, 2010

Robert Keller

Secretary General

North American Powerlifting Federation

Attachment A:

Technical Rule Motion to the 2010 IPF General Assembly/Congress

MOTION #1**JURY**

The current technical rule #9 under Jury reads as follows:

9. Only in extreme circumstances when there has been an obvious or blatant mistake in the refereeing will the Jury in consultation with the referees, **by majority vote**, reverse the decision.

Change technical rule #9, under Jury to read as follows:

9. Only in extreme circumstances when there has been an obvious or blatant mistake in the refereeing will the Jury in consultation with the referees, **by unanimous vote, reverse the decision of the seated referee on the platform.**

Rationale

Technical rule #9 was changed after the 2008 IPF World championships in Austria without the approval of the IPF Congress/General Assembly. The [change in the process] now allows the possibility of two [2] IPF Category I Referees on the Jury, to overturn the decision of three [3] IPF Category I referees on the platform.

MOTION #2

Bid Packages for all IPF World Championships are to be reviewed and approved by the IPF Congress/General Assembly.

Rationale

Currently, IPF World Championships are not being held in major destination cities to provide the best possible exposure of our athletes, championships and powerlifting brand to the mainstream public. A majority of our bids are approved for cities that are in isolated areas an extremely difficult to travel too. By having the championships in remote locations, adds thousands of additional travels costs for member federation teams, thus limiting participation and the publicity of our championships.