

FIA NORTH EUROPEAN ZONE

NEZ Council - Minutes NC 01/07

2007-03-25, 09.30-15.30

Hotel Panorama, Vilnius, Lithuania

Host of the meeting: LASF

Attendant: Appendix 01/07

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§ 1 Introduction

Mr. Håkan Junfors, president, started the meeting by wishing all the attendant a warm welcome to Lithuania and the NEZ Councils spring meeting.

He also especially thanked LASF for the appreciated guided tour of the city of Vilnius, and the nice dinner afterwards, on Saturday evening.

The meeting carried on with a short presentation of all attendants (see appendix 01/07).

§ 2 Approval of agenda

Mr. Junfors asked if the proposed agenda could be approved.

Decision: The agenda was approved.

§ 3 Previous meetings

a) NEZ Council meeting in Denmark 15th of October 2006

Mr. Junfors asked if the minutes NC 02/06 could be approved.

Decision: The minutes was approved.

b) NEZ Council Working Groups telephone meeting, the 1st of February 2007

Mr. Junfors asked if the minutes NCWG 01/07 could be approved.

Decision: The minutes was approved and will be attached the minutes from this meeting.

c) NEZ Council Working Groups telephone meeting, the 19th of February 2007

Mr. Junfors asked if the minutes NCWG 02/07 could be approved.

Decision: The minutes was approved and will be attached the minutes from this meeting.

§ 4 FIA matters

a) NEAFP-regulations from 2008

A proposal for new regulations has been announced from FIA World Council and the consequences of these regulations was discussed. The proposal seems not to interfere with NEZ but Mr. Mahonen and Mr. Junfors will try and find out more information on the proposal and present this information for the NEZ Council.

b) Future FIA-plans

Mr. Mahonen shortly informed about some of the plans FIA have for future regulations, mainly regarding new homologations in Rally, that will affect all ASN in some way. Probably the homologations for Group A and N will be replaced in only a few years.

§ 5 NEZ Council Working Group

The working group shall consist of three to five members, e.g. as follows: chairman of the zone, secretary and members from the previous, present and next hosting countries. Since there was no decision made for host country 2008 at the NEZ General Assembly in 2005 the working group has not been consisting of the correct members since the last council meeting in Denmark.

Norway has accepted to be host country for 2008 and the secretary's proposal on a new forming of the working group for the remain of 2007 and for 2008 can be carried out.

Decision: The proposal was approved and the organization plan will be updated.

Mr. Junfors also thank Mr. Pallo for his work in the working group.

§ 6 NEZ Sporting Commission

Previous reports sent to the Working Group has been summarised in the minutes from the two telephone-meetings that the Working Group had in February (see § 3).

There was no new reports sent in before the meeting.

a) Racing

Mr. Wängstre informed that the plans are almost finalized, but there are still some details in some of the Championships and Cups to agree on. Some of the series events will be run in new countries than before. Formula Baltic/Renault will be run together with the Finish Formula 3 cars. A NEZ Cup for Historic cars is planned and also just before the meeting a proposal was made to run a NEZ Cup for Legend cars. If all plans will work out it will be 2 Championships and 3 to 4 Cups in NEZ Racing 2007. Some changes are still to be made with the calendar and some of the regulations before everything is set. The NEZ 2000 Cup was discussed as the Technical Regulations, approved in Estonia and Finland have for this year been altered and allows a lot more freedom compared with the old Super Production Regulations used last year. Latvia and Lithuania are against this modification. Therefore they wanted to follow up what happens at the first race in Riga (May 5-6) before they can agree for a NEZ Cup.

Mr. Gringbergas commented that there will be no races in Lithuania this year but that they will work on a return to some of the series, maybe already next year.

Mr. Krastins commented that there should be made more long-term plans for all NEZ Championships and Cups. The short notice and all changes only confuse the drivers.

b) Rallycross

Mr. Bogdanovics informed that regulations and calendar has been ready since January and that everything is running as planned, so far. There has been a lot of work to put together a

calendar, but for the first time it seems that all collisions with other major event has been avoided. Unfortunately there will be no event run in Norway 2007 but efforts will be made for a Norwegian event 2008.

The Rallycross Championship will start in Estonia and thereafter, for the first time, Sweden will organize one of the event in the series.

Location of all tracks are good regarding transportation so there are good conditions to make a good exchange of drivers possible.

About 10 drivers from Latvia and at least another 5 drivers from Lithuania has shown interest as far to participate in the series.

A new observers report has been put together so that the commission can summaries some of the details from each of the events.

A new webpage have been put together for the NEZ Rallycross Championship and a link to the page will be put on the NEZ webpage.

The interest to place Crosskart in Rallycross commission is welcomed.

c) Remaining Sports Commission

Mr. Søndergaard informed from the work in the commission and it's working groups.

Eco Run

The working group is running ok and there are only details to be finalized to complete regulations and calendar. There are ongoing discussions about new ideas for the future regulations for Eco Run.

Auto Navigation

The working group is running ok and there are only editorial details to be done to complete the regulations. Everything is continuing as in the past.

Crosskart

There was held a meeting yesterday were a working group was formed for Crosskart and the work with the plans for 2008 has started.

The Commission supports the proposal to move Crosskart to Rallycross Commission.

Offroad – Trophy Raid

There has been made a proposal for activities with Trophy-Raid and the plans are to establish a working group at the autumn meeting.

Mr. Berkis informed that Trophy Raid is run in Baltic's and Finland and that the event can sometime have over 100 participators. It seems to be an interesting type of offroad. In Finland the activities are held for outside of the ASN and in Latvia and Estonia it's run under the ASN. There are no activities in Denmark and Norway.

There is a Russian proposal for regulations but these are still to be approved since there are details to question, for instance about licenses. There should be made some contacts to sort out the questions so that the work can carry on.

Offroad – Trial

A proposal has been made to start activities but there are still to be put together a working group to make an inventory of the activities and if possible thereafter putting together a proposal on how to organize the activities.

Other sports

There are other sports planned for the future but there are no plans ready to present yet.

Mr. Søndergaard informed that the plan is to have a commission meeting at the autumn meeting weekend in Lithuania.

Harald also informed that, due to health reasons, he has not been able to do the effort needed to move the work forward and therefore has decided to resign as president.

Mr. Junfors expressed how sad all are about this information. He also said that he hoped that the hand over could be made by Harald himself, at the autumn meeting, when a new president is to be elected.

d) Rally

Mr. Rydh informed from the work in the commission and the meeting they have had during the weekend to put together a working group.

There had been discussion on what's needed to be done with the regulations for the future and the group has divided the different responsibilities between themselves.

The difference between national regulations has been discussed since there are problems to solve to make exchange between the national homologated cars possible.

The planning has started to come to common solutions.

The group thinks that four to five events is reasonable for a NEZ series.

The keywords might be to have a Nations Cup and a Junior Cup since the juniors are the future and the Nations Cup might strengthen the drivers feel for competing for their home country, together with other drivers.

The opening event this year had to be cancelled but the commission has decided that entry points will be given for the event since the event was cancelled so late.

Exchange of observers between east-west was discussed and until there are an agreement between all NEZ ASN the commissions agreement was that each ASN will carry their own costs for observers.

The commission will have an extra meeting during the Lithuanian event in August and thereafter also at the same time as the NEZ Council meeting in November.

Mr. Berkis commented that all NEZ ASN should be informed when there are plans for new regulations etc. in an ASN and not just the information regarding NEZ activities.

The commission should be a "spider" for spreading information between NEZ ASNs about changes in national regulations that might be of interest for other ASNs also.

e) Karting

Mr. Backman informed the regulations for the event in Pori, Finland will soon be ready and that everything goes on as planned for the event. There has been discussion to also organize a nations cup where the three top drivers from each country could score point.

f) Dragracing

Mr. Jönsson informed that he had received information from the Swedish commission member Mr. Lars Pettersson that the commission have plans to meet during the summer to put together common regulations making it possible to propose NEZ activities. Hopefully a draft plan can be ready for the NEZ Council at the autumn meeting.

§ 7 Organization

a) Update of organization plan

The information in the organization plan was updated and will be presented on the NEZ webpage. The organisation plan will also be completed with contact information for the working groups that are created for different Championships/Cups. The contact list is a "living" document that updates as soon as new information is available.

b) Question of moving Crosskart to Rallycross commission

It was proposed that responsibility for Crosskart should be moved from Remaining Sports Commission to Rallycross Commission since the disciplines are quite similar and also run on similar regulations and tracks.

Decision: The proposal was approved by NEZ Council and Mr. Berkis will see to it that all necessary details between the working group and the new commission will work out.

Mr. Berkis thanked especially Sweden for their preparations before the weekend when the working group for Crosskart was formed.

The plan is to have a Championship in three groups. There are some details to sort out in the regulations so it will take some time to find the way for NEZ Crosskart. There are plans also to run a test at some of the NEZ Rallycross event during 2007. That should be a perfect way to spread Crosskart to others also.

§ 8 Economy

Mr. Jönsson reported on the present situation regarding payments of NEZ member fee. Fee to the hosting country, Lithuania, will be paid by the secretariat in April.

Mr. Mahonen suggested that there should be discussed to also have a fee that goes to the commissions to make their work more easy to carry out. Mr. Mahonen will put together a proposal to be discussed and then maybe decided by NEZ Council in November.

The proposal has to be synchronized with NEZ Statutes also, so that they can be updated if needed at the same time.

§ 9 General prescription

A proposal, made by Mr. Jani Backman, about adjustment of the general prescription was discussed. The adjustments regards the type of license requested to score points in a NEZ Championship or Cup.

Decision: It was decided to approve on the proposal and that the General prescription shall be updated as soon as possible and published on the NEZ webpage.

§ 10 NEZ Secretariat 2008

According to NEZ Statutes the place for NEZ Secretariat the following year is to be decided at the NEZ Council spring meeting. It was proposed that the secretariat remains in Sweden. It was also proposed that the NEZ statutes should be updated so that the decision should be for two years and not just for one year.

Decision: It was decided to keep the secretariat in Sweden for 2008 and that, since decision on change of NEZ Status only can be made at the General Assembly, the change of term of office be postponed to the General Assembly in November.

§ 11 NEZ Championships and Cups

a) Evaluation of activities 2006

Mr. Jönsson requested help to finalize the document with all medalists' 2006 and he also informed on his plans to put together historic documents for the previous NEZ years also.

b) Medals for 2007 and 2008 and evaluation of 2006

Mr. Berkis informed that the previous guessed prize for the NEZ medals was correct, the medals will cost approx. 10 €each. A invoice is on it's way to the counties that received NEZ medals for 2006. Due to short notice the transportation costs for the medals will be higher than it should be and this costs will be added each invoice.

Since there was some problems to receive the correct information to make it possible to produce the medals last year Mr. Berkis will put together a order form that can be used. Time is an issue to get good prizes on the medals when a commission has all the details for theirs need of medals these should be ordered as soon as possible.

The responsibility for ordering the medals lay on the chairman of each commission.

Decision: It was decided that extra costs for transportation of medals are to be held by the receiving country.

c) Championships and Cups 2007 and plans for 2008

A part from all details already discussed earlier there are only details remaining for the Championships and Cups 2007.

Decision: It was decided that each commission will make their remaining decisions for the Championships and Cups 2007. Sporting commission was encourage to put together draft plans for 2008 to be put forward to the NEZ Council meeting in November.

d) Decisions and planning for Championships and Cups 2008

Since there are not yet any plans ready to present for 2008 there was no decisions made.

§ 12 NEZ General Assembly

Mr. Jönsson informed that nomination documents for the General Assembly will be sent to all NEZ ASNs in August so that they can make their decisions in due time.

The nominations to be made is for:

- Chairman of NEZ Council and NEZ Council Working Group
- Chairman of NEZ Sporting Commissions
- Host country for 2009 and 2010

Each NEZ ASN is also obliged to appoint:

- Members of NEZ Council
- Members of NEZ Sporting Commissions

§ 13 Miscellaneous

a) Russian Ring

Mr. Mazchenko gave a short presentation of Russian Ring and the plans for cheap activities for youth, with formula cars, that they have. They have hopes for exchange with other NEZ activities and request help to find solutions to make this possible. There are a lot of changes going on in Russia, and hopefully the result will be that it will be easier to have an exchange of NEZ activities in the future.

Decision: It was decided that the Racing Commission will see what possibilities there are to achieve an exchange of activities.

b) Lithuanian Rally

The responsible for organizing the Lithuanian Rally gave a short presentation of the rally and a DVD from the rally was distributed. It has been popular that the rally has become a part of the NEZ Championship. The organizer request help draw participators to the rally.

c) Crosskart

A DVD with Crosskart in Norway was shown to inform the ones that has not been in contact with the sport yet what it's all about.

d) NEZ Webpage

Mr. Backman rise the question that NEZ should have a webpage that could be administrated also by each commission directly.

Mr. Jönsson informed that this is not so easy solved with the present web-solution.

Mr. Søndergaard informed that DASU has a platform that could be a solution for this and that he will check if it's possible to do something there.

Decision: It was decided that Mr. Backman and Mr. Jönsson will try and find a solution to present for the Council. Mr. Søndergaard might have the solution but in other case maybe a separate webhotell for the webpage might be the solution.

§ 14 Next meeting for NEZ Council

The plan for the next meeting witch also will be the NEZ General Assembly was discussed under § 12. There was no new details discussed other than a change of one of the dates for one of the working groups pre-meetings before the council meeting.

Decision: It was decided that the time plan will be updated by the secretary and distributed.

§ 15 End of meeting

Mr. Junfors closed the meeting with sending everybody's thanks to LASF for organizing a pleasant and well organized weekend of meetings.

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Kurt-Lennart Jönsson, Secretary

Håkan Junfors, Chairman

LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

NEZ Council Members and Presidents of NEZ Sporting Commissions

Name	ASN	Function	
Mr. Håkan Junfors	SWE	NEZ President	
Mr. Andris Berkis	LAT	NEZ Council	(Appointed by ASN to replace Mr. Martins Kalnins)
Mr. Jani Backman	FIN	NEZ Council	(Appointed by ASN to replace Mr. Riku Bitter)
Mr. Donatas Večerskis	LIT	NEZ Council	
Mr. Arild Antonsen	NOR	NEZ Council	
Mr. Priit Palo	EST	NEZ Council	
Mr. Kurt Lennart Jönsson	SWE	NEZ Secretary	
Mr. Hans Wängstre	SWE	Racing	
Mr. Darius Grinbergas	LIT	Racing (vice)	
Mr. Janne Rydh	SWE	Rally	(Appointed by ASN to replace Mr. Janne Sandström)
Mr. Harald Søndergaard	DEN	Remaining Sports	(Replaces Mrs. Anni Andersen as Council member for this meeting)
Mr. Juris Bogdanovics	LAT	Rallycross	

NEZ Sporting Commissions members, ASN representatives and Guests

Name	ASN	Function
Mr. Jarmo Mahonen	FIN	ASN (AKK)
Mr. Johannes Fraas	DEN	NEZ Rally Commission
Mr. Dins Bergans Bergis	LAT	ASN (LAF) Racing Commission
Mr. Janis Krastins	LAT	NEZ Rally Commission
Mr. Romas Austisniskas	LIT	ASN (LASF) President
Mr. Dainius Padgurskis	LIT	ASN (LASF)
Mr. Paulius Insoda	LIT	NEZ Rally Commission
Mr. Jan Egil Jensen	NOR	ASN (NBF)
Mr. Bengt-Göran Grenander	SWE	FIA Offroad Commission
Mr. Mikael Carlsson	SWE	ASN (SBF) Racing Commission
Mr. Morgan Björk	SWE	ASN (SBF) Crosskart Commission, President
Mr. Bengt Hedström	SWE	ASN (SBF) Crosskart Commission
Mr. Eldar Marzchenko	RUS	F.1600 Administrator, Raceway Moskow owners



FIA NORTH EUROPEAN ZONE
NEZ Council Working Group (NCWG)

MINUTES 01 - 2007

1st of February 2007

Telephone meeting

Attendant: Mr. Håkan Junfors, Sweden, Chairman
Mr. Priit Pallo, Estonia
Mr. Donatas Vecerskis, Lithuania

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§ 1 Introduction

The chairman, Mr. Håkan Junfors welcomed all to the first meeting 2007.
All documents for the meeting were looked through.

§ 2 Approval of Agenda

The meeting agreed to the proposed agenda.

§ 3 Organisation

NEZ organisation plan will be updated with new contact info.

a) NEZ Host Country 2008

The matter of host for NEZ meeting 2008 was discussed since this has not been formally decided. Norway was candidate for 2007 but it was never decided that Norway will be host 2008 instead.

Decision: It was decided that Norway will be the host for NEZ-meetings 2008.
It was also decided that Mr. Junfors will contact Norway and ask them to appoint a member to the NEZ Working Groups next telephone-meeting. Mr. Arild Antonsen was invited to this meeting but did not attend.

b) Racing Commission

The Danish member of the commission, Mr. Henrik Pedersen, has been replaced by Mr. Kim Bjerg.

The meeting approved on the new appointed member.

c) Rally Commission

The Swedish member/chairman of the commission, Mr. Janne Sandström, has been replaced by Mr. Janne Rydh.

The meeting approved on the new appointed member/chairman.

§ 4 Minutes from NEZ-meeting, Denmark 10th of October 2006

There were no remarks on the minutes from the NEZ Council meeting in Denmark.

§ 5 Reports from Sporting Commissions

a) Racing

The report was discussed and the meeting put forward the following details from the report to the Council meeting in Lithuania:

Formula Ford 2007

A championship with 6 rounds will be held, 2 each in Sweden and Finland and 1 each in Denmark and Norway. Regulations have been published since November and dates for the events have been confirmed in the second half of January.

Historic cars 2007

A championship or a cup is planned with events in Finland, Norway and Sweden. There are still some details to be finalized, maybe Denmark also will have an event.

GT 2007

A championship is planned with 4-5 events in Estonia, Finland, Sweden and Norway. There are still some details to be finalized.

Baltic cars 2007

A cup is planned with events in Finland, Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania for Formula Baltic/Renault, SP 2000 and Super 1600, all details are not yet finalized.

b) Rallycross

The report was discussed and the meeting put forward the following details from the report to the Council meeting in Lithuania:

The regulation for the Championship 2007 are ready and sent to the NEZ countries in early January. The calendar is set in accordance to all countries wishes.

The commission see no need for a commission meeting in Lithuania, this time.

c) Karting

The commission had sent minutes from a commission meeting in Norway that was discussed and the meeting put forward the following details from the minutes to the Council meeting in Lithuania:

The work with the regulations for 2007 is in progress to be finalized at latest in the end of February. The championship 2007 will be run in five classes, ICA-J, KF2, KZ2, Yamaha and TAG. One championship event will be held, with Porin FK-Kerho (FIN) as organizer on the 17th – 19th of August.

The minutes also reports that NEZ Council should pay attention to the participation of Russia since there has been no contacts from Russia.

The commission see no need for a commission meeting in Lithuania, this time.

d) Rally

The report was discussed and the meeting put forward the following details from the report to the Council meeting in Lithuania:

Finland has been withdrawn from the plans for 2007 since they are unable to accept foreign nationally homologated cars unless they fulfil the Finnish national technical regulations.

An agreement has been reached to gather national safety regulations in a dossier and from that document try to agree upon a minimum standard for the exchange between the organizing countries.

New from last year is that the Team Cup will be run as a series and the Championship will be for four classes. The points system has also been changed.

The work ahead will be to find a common formula for safety equipment in nationally homologated cars and to promote our series in respective countries.

§ 6 Commission meetings, Lithuania 24th of March 2007

A meeting is planned to be held to form a working group for Crosskart. The work to be done is to come to an agreement on regulations and future plans.

Decision: It was decided that the secretary will see to it that invitation be sent to all NEZ countries that wish to represent at the meeting.

§ 7 Agenda NEZ-meeting, Lithuania 25th of March 2007

Mr. Vecerskis informed that the plans for the meeting in Lithuania is in progress, a god hotel has been booked and some kind of activity is planned for Saturday evening.

A draft agenda will be presented at the next meeting and some items will regard:

- Evaluation of activities 2006.
- Medals 2007 and 2008 plus evaluation of 2006.
- Championship and Cup Regulations for 2007 and plans for 2008.
- Revue of Organisation plan, Statutes and General prescriptions.
- Plans for the General Assembly in November.
- Economics.

§ 8 Other matters

a) Economics

Invoices for NEZ member fee 2007 has been sent out to ASNs in January. The fees are to be paid at latest on the 31st of march and as soon as possible thereafter the host fee will be paid forward from Sweden to Lithuania.

No other matters were discussed.

§ 9 Next meeting

The next meeting for NCWG will be held on the 19th of February 2007, 09.00 CET.

§ 10 End of meeting

Mr. Håkan Junfors thanked everybody for attending the meeting.

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Kurt-Lennart Jönsson, Secretary
(not attending the meeting)

Håkan Junfors, Chairman



FIA NORTH EUROPEAN ZONE
NEZ Council Working Group (NCWG)

MINUTES 02 - 2007

19th of February 2007

Telephone meeting

Attendant: Mr. Håkan Junfors, Sweden, Chairman
Mrs. Anni Anderson, Denmark
Mr. Donatas Vecerskis, Lithuania
Mr. Priit Pallo, Estonia
Mr. Kurt-Lennart Jönsson, Sweden, Secretary

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§ 1 Introduction

The chairman, Mr. Håkan Junfors welcomed all to the meeting.
After a short introduction, discussing the probable cause for Arild not attending being he's engagement in the Norwegian WRC last weekend, all documents for the meeting were looked through.

§ 2 Approval of the agenda

The meeting agreed to the proposed agenda.

§ 3 Minutes from NCWG-meeting, 1st of February 2007

The minutes from the last NCWG meeting was shortly discussed.

Decision: The minutes was approved and decided to put forward to NEZ Council.

§ 4 NEZ General Prescriptions

Mr. Jani Backman, Finland has put forward a suggestion for an amendment to the NEZ General Prescription. The proposal is made to clarify that for a participator to gain point in a NEZ Championship or Cup he/she must hold "a valid annual Driver's license".

Decision: It was decided to put the matter forward to the NEZ Council for a final decision.

§ 5 Sporting Commissions

There has been sent in no new commission reports before this meeting.

Two meetings will be held on the day before the NEZ Council meeting, one for Crosskart and one for Rally. In the list of entries there are still some supposed participators missing.

It was shortly discussed that there has been made a proposal, primarily from Latvia, to move Crosskart from the remaining sports commission to the Rallycross commission.

Decision: It was decided to put the matter forward to the NEZ Council for a final decision.

§ 6 Agenda NEZ-meeting, Lithuania 25th of March 2007

The draft agenda was discussed and primarily set after some adjustments.

The agenda is open for additional items until the 5th of March when the agenda will be set.

§ 7 Other matters

No other matters were discussed.

§ 8 Next meeting

The next telephone-meeting for NCWG will preliminary be held on the 18th of September 2007, 09.00 CET.

The next meeting will be the NEZ Council meeting in Lithuania on the 25th of March.

A draft time-table for the autumn meetings 2007 will be sent out by the secretary before the meeting in Lithuania.

§ 9 End of meeting

Mr. Håkan Junfors thanked everybody for attending the meeting.

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Kurt-Lennart Jönsson, Secretary

Håkan Junfors, Chairman