



Minutes # 18

of the International Black Sea Club (IBSC) Assembly Meeting

March, 31, 2007

Yalta, Ukraine

I. The following representatives of the member-cities of the International Black Sea Club (hereinafter «IBSC») participated in the XVIII Assembly meeting:

Varna
Kavala
Taganrog, Azov
Galati
Mariupol, Nikolaev, Odessa, Kherson, Sebastopol,
Illyichevsk, Yuzhniy, Yalta
Trabzon
Tiraspol
Sukhum

Representatives of the following the IBSC member-cities: Piraeus, Thessaloniki, Trieste, Constanta, Izmit, Samsun, Feodosia, Bourgas— were absent by valid reasons.

II. The following agenda of XVIII Assembly was approved after discussion (Attachment 1).

III. Having considered the matters, included to the agenda, the XVIII Assembly

RESOLVED:

1. The XVIII Assembly of IBSC approved:

Presidium

- S.B. Brayko — Mayor of Yalta;
- M. Volkan Canalioglu — IBSC President, Mayor of Trabzon;
- Sadan Eren — IBSC Executive Director, President of Trabzon CCI;
- V. V. Saldo — Chairman of IBSC Controlling committee, Mayor of Kherson;
- Radul Kovachev — IBSC General Secretary.

Participants

2. To take into account the greeting speech of mayor of Yalta Mr. S. Brayko.
3. To support Yalta initiative on giving a commission to the representatives of the Municipalities and Chambers of Commerce and Industry for making working groups with specialists' participation on the issues of the ecological state of the Black Sea.
4. To take into consideration the greeting word of the IBSC President Mr. M. Volkan Canalioglu.
5. To take into account Odessa city proposal on the joining up of the points 16, 17, 18 and 20 of the XVIII IBSC Assembly agenda.
6. To consider the Executive Directorate's report for the period of 2006.
7. To support the IBSC Executive Director Mr. Sadan Eren's proposal to send one's propositions concerning the joint events in economic cooperation between the IBSC member-cities into the Club's Executive Directorate for the general plan of events working out.
8. To support Mr. Sadan Eren's proposal concerning the joint activities elaboration for the euro-integration process strengthening.
9. To take into account Mr. Sadan Eren's information on the Trabzon CCI contribution to the Black Sea region development: business-meetings, conferences, and festivals holding.
10. To consider the General IBSC Controller Mr. V. Saldo's report on the financial situation in the Club.
11. To support the Honorable IBSC Board Member Mrs. T. Bugaenko's initiative on Yalta liberation from the membership fees payment for 2006-2007.
12. To open the branch of the Club in Nikolaev for the membership fees transfer for their further transfer into the Executive Directorate in Trabzon.
13. To recommend the IBSC member-cities to pay their debts concerning membership fees.
14. To leave the right for Odessa to open the IBSC representative office for the work with Ukrainian cities, and according to the Honorable IBSC Board Member Mrs. T. Bugaenko's initiative to accept Odessa into the IBSC Board for their constant active work in Club's activity.
15. To support the initiative of Nikolaev city on the International festival of documentary and amateur cinema "Terra Vita" holding in 2007.
16. To accept the General Secretary Mr. Radul Kovachev's proposal on the membership fees transfer from dollars into euro.
17. To accept Mr. Radul Kovachev's proposal on the Club's symbols changing: the countries flags changing to the cities flags, and removal of the countries names from the IBSC official documents.
18. To amend the Statute of IBSC, item II-10, with the following: with the purpose of IBSC activities improvement, the IBSC Executive authorities are performing translation from and into the official languages of IBSC, namely English, Russian and Bulgarian languages, as well as consultancy work in all fields of interest according to this Statute.

19. To take into consideration Mr. Kovachev's proposal on making changes in the point V item 33 of the IBSC Minutes on the membership fees payment in the Executive Directorate at the Club's President and/or in the city of Varna (the place of Club's registration to the member-cities discretion).
20. To take into account the report of the 1st vice-mayor of Sebastopol Mr. Kazarin concerning the work energization in the Club.
21. To consider the Sebastopol city proposition on the IBSC representative office opening in their city.
22. To accept the Sebastopol city proposal concerning the IBSC member-cities participation in the Sebastopol City Day celebration in 2007.
23. To take into account the head of the creative association "Spokusa" Mr. A. Us's report on the International symposium "Spokusa" holding in Trabzon in September, 2006.
24. To hold the 3rd symposium "Spokusa" in 2007 in IBSC cities to an individual discretion.
25. The Club's member-cities have to prepare the artists' lists, probable participants of the future international symposiums for making a preparative works with them by telephone and internet, and to transmit these lists to the IBSC Directorate or to "Spokusa" project manager.
26. To present for the next Assembly approval a draft and a model of the decoration for the best project artist.
27. To start a work on 100 best highly artistic works selection for the exhibition, dedicated to the jubilee Assembly.
28. To do a preparative work and elaborate needed documents for the biennale of the Black and Mediterranean Seas artists' works.
29. To open a photo-chronicle part of symposiums holding in different cities and countries on the web-sites of "Spokusa" and "IBSC", also to edit annually a CD "A journey to the temptation country".
30. To take into consideration the president of the charitable foundation Mr. Y. Didenko's report on the development of cultural and public links of the Black and Mediterranean Seas countries.
31. To hold in October, 2007 on the basis of Nikolaev State Agrarian University the 1st International competition of beauty "Student queen of the Black Sea" and the 9th International competition of pop song "Sea horse".
32. To hold the 3rd International exhibition of children's drawing and for organizers to make informational support.
33. To take into account the director of Nikolaev Art Russian Drama Theatre Mr. N. Kravchenko's report on the results of the 1st International theatre festival "Homo ludens" holding under the aegis of the IBSC.
34. To support the initiative on the 2nd traditional International theatre festival "Homo ludens" holding from 20 till 30.10.07 in Nikolaev.
35. To approve the model of statue – theatre festival symbol.
36. To approve Nikolaev initiative concerning the coordinating committee on cultural issues in the IBSC creation.
37. To recommend the Executive Directorate and IBSC member-cities to arrange a mutually beneficial cooperation with Ukrainian national informational agency

- “UkrInform” on the relevant event in the region (IBSC member-cities) coverage on the web-page of the Black Sea Association of the National Informational Agencies.
38. To recommend the representatives of the IBSC member-cities to participate in the 9th conference “InfoDBlas” in the city of Tulcha /Romania/ from 06.06 till 08.06.07, and to inform the organizers about participation till 15.04.07.
 39. To support the chairman of organizing committee, art director of the festival Mr. N. Antonenko’s initiative on the Club’s members participation in the 5th International festival of creative youth and students in the period of 29.05 – 04.01.07.
 40. To accept Galati city proposal on the new IBSC commission creation, engaging with the issues of local economic and informational Club’s member-cities development “LIED - BLAS”, and also to hold the 1st meeting in Galati in autumn 2007.
 41. To accept Trabzon proposal concerning Club’s members participation (to their discretion) in “Trabzon Conference” in September, 2007 discuss economic, cultural and environmental issues of the Black Sea Basin.
 42. To accept the city of Batumi as Club’s member for the following results of voting: 13 – for, 1 – against, 2 – abstained.
 43. To accept the city of Poti as Club’s member for the following results of voting: 16 – for.
 44. To accept the General Secretary Mr. Radul Kovachev’s proposal on the 2nd IBSC Board Meeting holding in Istanbul in June 2007.
 45. To support Sebastopol initiative on the IXI IBSC Assembly holding in Sebastopol /AR Crimea/ in September 2008.

Remark from Galati side to the XVIII IBSC Assembly Minutes

The present status of the cities of Sukhum and Tiraspol as IBSC members in any way doesn't represent the recognition of the local separatist authorities (Abkhazia and Transnistria).

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