



**Ordre du jour du CA
23 décembre 2020**

Présents: Xavier, Jérémy, Anthony, Etienne, Adrien, Thomas

Excusé: Léo

Début de la réunion : 20h00

Fin de la réunion : 21h00

1 • Réaction de France Plumfoot suite aux annonces des résultats de la SFE

La SFE a annoncé les résultats de l'élection pour le poste de président. Il y avait deux candidats : Ayman et Janos Feher Jr. Les deux candidats ont reçu trois voix chacun (France, Finlande, Allemagne pour Ayman ; Hongrie, Slovaquie, Pologne pour Janos Feher Jr.). Peter von Ruden, le président actuel de la SFE a invoqué les statuts pour se donner une voix pour départager les deux candidats et a choisi Janos Feher Jr, qui est donc élu président de la SFE.

Ci-dessous le mail de Peter von Ruden annonçant le résultat de l'élection.

Dear members,

I gave my best with all my strength and love for our sport of spring football. It wasn't easy to get so many players excited about this sport from scratch. My philosophy was to spread the sport with as few laws as possible. That worked well in Germany too. The FFC Hagen had 40 members, Haspe soon over 50 members. In addition, there were more than 20 clubs that played shuttlecock. Hungary followed the same path and today has the largest shuttlecock community. There were setbacks when the path taken by Janos and me was abandoned in order to impose major restrictions through disproportionately strict rules and regulations. Striving for power and envy played a major role. Unfortunately there were a few people in Germany who spread poison behind my back. Open cooperation was out of the question. Attacks on my person (through e-mails without a sender) and the boycott of the European Championship made the rest. I hope that peace will return among other things through my withdrawal from the administration and that work will be carried out on the spread of our sport.

Now to the election of the SFE-president:

After 100% of all eligible nations have cast their vote, I would like to share the result with you.

Germany, France, Finland voted for Ayman Moussa

Hungary, Poland, Slovakia, President (according to the statutes, § 3, 12.) voted for Feher Janos jun.

So Janos Feher jr. elected President of the SFE. He accepts the election.

Congratulations!

It is now up to him to initiate all further steps. I wish the entire shuttlecock community all the best for the future,

Merry Christmas and a happy new year! Stay healthy!

Yours sincerely

Peter von Ruden

Ce message a suscité de nombreuses réactions dans la communauté européenne du plumfoot et notamment de l'Allemagne, qui considère que l'élection n'est pas valide car elle n'a pas été

organisée dans le respect des statuts. En outre, David Zentara fait remarquer un manque de transparence problématique de la SFE, notamment concernant les modalités de vote (aucune preuve n'est apportée concernant quels pays peuvent voter) et la gestion financière (pas de bilan financier présenté depuis plusieurs années, personne ne sait quelle est la situation financière de l'association).

Ci-dessous le message de David au moment de l'annonce du vote.

Hello Peter,

please find attached our vote.

We want to make the SFE board and the SFE members aware of our concerns regarding the process of this election:

The SFE board did not invite to a members assembly which is required according to the statute.

The registration of changes in the SFE board is regulated by German law. In our experience a notary will demand for

- *a writing proving the on-schedule invitation to the members assembly containing the election as item of the agenda,*
- *a protocol of the members assembly containing the election result signed by the president and the recorder, and*
- *personal presence of at least two elected members of the SFE board at local court for the act of signing.*

Furthermore, the actions of the SFE board since 2016 are not approved yet by the members assembly.

Kind regards

David and Sven

Au cours de discussions ultérieures, les Allemands indiquent qu'ils ne veulent pas accepter le résultat de l'élection tant que les éléments demandés ci-dessus n'auront pas été transmis.

Dans ce contexte, Thomas et Etienne ont discuté d'une part avec les Allemands et d'autre part avec Ayman et François pour comprendre un peu mieux la situation. Ils ont identifié trois positions possibles pour France Plumfoot.

- **Option 1:** accepter le résultat de l'élection et continuer à travailler avec la SFE. L'avantage de cette option étant de ne se fâcher avec personne et préserver l'entente au sein de la SFE.
- **Option 2:** refuser le résultat de l'élection, en considérant qu'elle n'a pas été faite dans de bonnes conditions et que le manque de transparence de la SFE est trop problématique pour que France Plumfoot puisse participer.
- **Option 3:** accepter le résultat de l'élection, afin de laisser une chance à Janos Feher Jr comme nouveau président et ne pas se fâcher avec les nations qui ont voté pour lui. En revanche, donner un ultimatum à la SFE : si dans un an les problèmes principaux n'ont pas été résolus, France Plumfoot pourrait quitter la SFE. Trois évolutions majeures sont demandées: (1) écrire de nouveaux statuts, acceptés par tous et rédigés en anglais (*les statuts actuels sont uniquement en allemand*) ; (2) avoir un rapport financier annuel signé par le Président et le Trésorier détaillant les finances de l'association ; (3) tout mettre en oeuvre afin de réintégrer tous les pays européens jouant au plumfoot dans la SFE (*actuellement l'Italie et l'Autriche ne font pas partie de la SFE car ils refusent de payer la cotisation en raison du manque de transparence*).

Etienne et Thomas sont en faveur de l'option 3 et demandent au CA l'autorisation d'envoyer un courrier à la SFE dans ce sens.

- **Proposition à voter:** le CA autorise-t-il Etienne et Thomas à rédiger un courrier à envoyer à la SFE sur la base de l'option 3

Résultat du vote: oui à l'unanimité

- Etienne: pour
- Adrien: pour
- Thomas: pour
- Jérémy: pour
- Léo:
- Anthony: Pour
- Xavier : Pour

[Ajout postérieur au CA - ci-dessous le courrier envoyé par France Plumfoot à la SFE le 5 janvier 2021]

Dear members of the SFE,

On Sunday December 20th, Feher Janos Jr was elected President of the SFE. Congratulations to him! We are sure that Janos Jr will be a great president for the SFE. We wish that his term marks the launch of a new era for the development of Shuttlecock in Europe. We are looking forward to work together and we send you all the best energy.

Thanks as well to Peter for his years as President.

We must however underline three elements on the election process for your consideration.

First, it is our belief that the statutes were not followed as they should have been:

- No decision was made on the modus of voting (art 3.11).
- There was no formal gathering of the members assembly (and no assembly at all) (title III). - It does not seem legitimate that the President is Chairman of the Assembly for an election for the post of President, although he can of course be chairman for all other meetings.

Second, the process could have been more transparent:

- No proof of which nations were eligible to vote was given.
- We do not know what the next president wants to do at the SFE. The elected candidate promised in his letter that "in a few days I will present my ideas" but we have not seen such document.

Finally, it is a shame that not all active nations in Europe, such as Italy or Austria, participated to the election. Bringing back all active European nations in the SFE should be a priority so that we can work altogether for the development of shuttlecock.

In this regard, even if we accept the results, we consider that such processes should not happen again in the future. Any organization gathering many people from many nations needs democratic rules and more transparency to have proper debates. This was not the case for this election, and for other aspects of the recent life of the SFE.

This is why France Plumfoot considers that important actions need to be taken quickly in order to fix these long lasting issues:

- **Reaching a consensus on new statutes:** common rules on which everyone agrees for the election and decision process at the SFE (including transparency on who votes, on who says and does what, etc.). These new statutes should be written in English to make it easier to understand for everybody.

- **Establishing an annual report, detailing how the money of the association has been used**, should be provided to the members on a yearly basis and signed by the President and Treasurer. Being transparent on the money that the SFE receives and spends is a key element to work in a peaceful environment and ensure mutual trust.

- **Re-integrating all European active nations (like Italy, Austria and Belgium) as members of SFE should be a priority.** The SFE should engage in discussion with them and try to solve existing issues. There are so few countries playing shuttlecock in Europe, excluding any of them cannot be an option.

We believe that without this, the SFE cannot be a common house for all European shuttlecock players. **Hence, if no progress has been made on these three issues by 31 December 2021, France Plumfoot would consider withdrawing from the SFE.** However, we are sure that we can all agree on the way forward and do not need to reach such dramatic situation.

We wish you all a very happy new year. Let's hope that the sanitary situation will get better and that we can welcome all of you for the French Open in May.

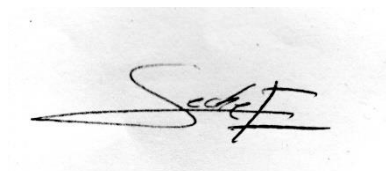
Best regards,

Etienne Sèche, president of France Plumfoot on behalf of the board (Xavier Joudiou, Thomas Carré, Jérémy Godat, Léo Bertrand, Adrien Yaich, Anthony Nguyen)

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Le Président

Etienne SECHE



Le Secrétaire

Thomas Carré

