



INTERNATIONAL BOBSLEIGH & SKELETON FEDERATION

Procedure for Election of IBSF AAC 2019/20

At the AAC election in January 2019 Christina Hengster, former bobsleigh pilot from Austria, was elected by the IBSF athletes as chair of the IBSF Athletes' Committee (AC). Katie Tannenbaum, active Skeleton athlete from the US Virgin Islands, was elected as the representative for female Skeleton athletes in the IBSF Athletes' Committee. As there were no candidates presented for female and male Bobsleigh, male Skeleton as well as Para disciplines, the IBSF Executive Committee decided that another election shall be held for the vacant 4 positions within the upcoming competition season 2019/2020.

Following this decision the election will be conducted as follows:

Timeline

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| 02 October 2019 | – By 02 October 2019 IBSF to e-mail National Federations asking for the nomination of athletes |
| 27 October 2019 | – Deadline for the nomination of athletes |
| 29 October 2019 | – IBSF publishes list of athletes who are running for AAC positions |
| 05–18 December 2019 | – AAC Election |
| 27 December 2019 | – Result of Election to be published |

A. General Information (Notice to National Federations)

1. Nominations for the vacant 4 positions in the AAC must be submitted to the IBSF Secretary General and received via e-mail by 23:59 of 27 October 2019 (Lausanne time, CET). Nominations received after the deadline will not be considered. Nominations must come from the National Federation, and state what position the nominated athlete is running for, and attach a statement signed by the athlete stating the consent to the procedure for election of IBSF AAC 2019/20, consent to usage of certain personal data for the election purposes and acceptance of the position if elected. **All respective candidates shall furthermore provide a motivational letter (not longer than 500 words) and CV.**



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2. The AAC shall consist of six (6) athletes who are over the age of eighteen (18) and have had, or currently hold, an IBSF license and have participated in IBSF competitions. Following the election in January there are four (4) vacant positions on the AAC up for election now.

- a. One (1) athlete, active or retired, from the discipline men's Bobsleigh;
- b. One (1) athlete, active or retired, from the discipline women's Bobsleigh;
- c. One (1) athlete, active or retired, from the discipline men's Skeleton;
- d. One (1) athlete, active or retired from the Para disciplines; and

The other 2 positions that the AAC consists of have been elected at the ordinary AAC election 2018/19:

- One (1) retired athlete from any of the disciplines, who will be the Chairperson of the AC → Christina Hengster (AUT)
- One (1) athlete, active or retired, from the discipline women's Skeleton → Katie Tannenbaum (ISV)

Each member to be elected from each of the vacant four (4) disciplines will either be a retired athlete that has competed in IBSF competitions within the preceding four (4) years of the date of the election, or be an active athlete currently competing in IBSF competitions.

3. A National Federation can nominate as many people as they want for as many positions, however, there can be only one person per National Federation elected to take position on AAC. Therefore, Austria as well as the Virgin Islands of the United States may not submit any candidates for this election.

4. The IBSF will publish a list of the candidates by 29 October 2019.

AAC Details

The order of priority for the elected athletes is

- ~~1. Chairperson~~—already elected
2. Men's Bobsleigh
3. Women's Bobsleigh
4. Men's Skeleton
- ~~5. Women's Skeleton~~—already elected
6. Para disciplines

There will be no run-off elections unless there is a tie for the most votes. Elections are won by getting a simple majority of votes.



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In theory all forms of campaigning are allowed. The Vice President of Legal Affairs, upon receiving a written complaint will decide if a person's campaign is inappropriate and will decide what action should be taken.

B. Election Procedure

1. The election will take place during the first race of each of the IBSF race circuits in the period of 05 December till 18 December 2019 (if a race circuit has 2 events within that period, the election will be held at the first one – except for EC Bobsleigh). The election official will announce at the Team Captains meeting before the first training which days the election will take place.
2. The election should take place over 2 of the training days within the race week.
3. The election will be held by paper ballots, which will be provided by the IBSF. The ballots will be handed to the individual athlete and his/her name crossed off the list of athletes that are entitled to vote. ID may be required. An athlete must vote in person, there is no proxy voting allowed.
4. There will be at least one representative of the IBSF present to conduct the election, teams will be given information online and at the Team Captains meeting about voting.
5. An athlete can only vote once. Any athlete who competed in the 2018/19 season is eligible to vote. If an athlete did not compete in the 2018/19 season he/she is not allowed to vote.
6. An athlete is able to vote for both the male and female representatives of their sport only (only applicable for Bobsleigh). All Para Sport athletes are able to vote for the representative of the Para disciplines.
7. The votes will be collected on site and then sent to the IBSF office for counting. The name sheets will be sent to Vice President of Legal Affairs.
8. The results will be published no later than 10 days after the close of the final vote.