

Dear Mr. Liljelund,

Our answer to your questions:

As maybe CB knows the situation in Ukraine has been complicated. This time last year there was 5 structures that made claims on development Floorball in Ukraine. Those structures are as follows,  
Floorball Union of Ukraine (Mr. O. Backanechev),  
Floorball Federation Ukraine (Mrs. J. Ternovaya),  
All Ukrainien Floorball Federation (Mr. A. Kamarytsa),  
Ukraine Floorball Federation "Mr. V. Vitruk" and  
YMCA Ukraine (Mr. A. Zolotar).

In short All Ukrainian Floorball Federation (Mr. A. Kamarytsa), Ukraine Floorball Federation "Mr. V. Vitruk" and YMCA Ukraine (Mr. A. Zolotar) has agreed upon a common structure and a provisional board has been set up that represents the different structures. I may add that some independent structures has joined, some of them previously allied with Floorball Federation Ukraine (Mrs. J. Ternovaya).

The annual meeting is planned to 21-22th of April 2012 in Kiev in addition to the final play-off tour of the Ukrainian Championships. Until then the provisional board has 8 main tasks.

1. Structural Organization
2. Competitions
3. Finances
4. Education/popularization
5. Relations with IFF
6. Relations with Ukrainian Sports Authorities
7. Information/marketing
8. National Teams.

Regarding Floorball Union of Ukraine (Mr. O. Backanechev) it's very difficult to make statement on the structure, partly because its closed and probably it doesn't existed. From outside it looks like an shadow organizational structure to the Ukrainian Dragon Boat Federation. Exactly the same people hold the positions, but most important, is that I haven't meet anybody that has seen some sign of activities done by Floorball Union of Ukraine (Mr. O. Backanechev) in Ukraine. Floorball Union of Ukraine (Mr. O. Backanechev) has been in contact with many structures in Ukraine regarding different commercial proposals, which in it self created a lot of broken promises and conflicts.

Floorball Federation Ukraine (Mrs. J. Ternovaya) is different. The federation is based in Donetsk and naturally has its strongest member base in Eastern Ukraine. So they do have floorball activities and have been around for around 10 years. And they do arrange competitions.

On the team level I can't see any disagreements, many of our teams are working together and stay in close contact with the teams in Floorball Federation Ukraine. But it's rather with Mrs. Ternovaya that we did manage to find a dialogue. We have made tireless efforts to contact her during the summer. Specially since in April we agreed upon that Mrs. Ternovaya should during the summer present a proposal that she was comfortable with regarding finding one common structure, but no sign so far and no contact. I am partial but from my point of view there has been a lack of interests to even initiate serious or any talks from Mrs. Ternovaya's side.

The structure of Floorball Federation Ukraine (Mrs. J. Ternovaya) is also unknown. We only know the name of the deputy of Mrs. J. Ternovaya. Many of the member organizations in Floorball Federation Ukraine openly say that they are excluded from decision making. And it has been impossible to get a copy of statutes or information if there has ever been an annual meeting. No website, no one answering calls and so on. So it's difficult for us to have an educated opinion.

I can generally say that in Ukraine sometimes organization with grand names are in real nature nonfunctional structures that does just exist on paper.

Regarding All Ukrainien Floorball Federation (Mr. A. Kamarytsa) it was the same, but since the process of finding a common structure began one year ago it has forced people to come together and start to create forms of cooperation and decisions making that are including, representative and meaningful. And we understand that this is also process, everybody understand that we have a lot of things to improve and work on as federation

Best Regards

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