

SCIRA Board of Governors Meeting

Real Club Nautico, La Coruna, Spain
Thursday, August 10, 2017
Minutes

Commodore Gweneth Crook called the meeting to order at 9:20 pm. Those in attendance were: Commodore Gweneth Crook, Vice Commodore Pietro Fantoni, Secretary Luis Soubie, European GS Martin Bermudez, WH&O GS Raul Rios, Sr., Vice Rules Chairman Gus Wirth & Executive Director Jerelyn Biehl

Ratification of all motions from the past was approved.

The minutes from the 2015 Board of Governors meeting were approved.

Summary of National Secretaries meeting was read and discussed.

Officer Reports

a. Commodore

- a. Measurement: 6 days at this World Championship was too much. Hull curvature description in new rules needs to be addressed before we can finalize our rules to World Sailing. Gus Wirth will investigate a tool to help determine and measure the flatness and work with Antonio Bari. Measurement needs to be taken back by the Board and create a process to check boats on the water. Discussion of measurement system adopted several years ago not being used universally. Discussion of basic measurement for various levels of championships. Discussion of adding serial number or bar code on the stickers. Discussion of purpose of MOI. There is a need to qualify measurers globally. Board members are asked to submit doubts on measurement to share and create a plan to go forward. Antonio Espada is retiring from SCIRA measurement after many years and has a suitable replacement for consideration.
- b. World Championship format 2017: some sailors are against the format for 2017. Some feel it is against the Deed of Gift, do not like qualifying and want to sail as one fleet. Yet others thought the system was fine. Discussion of looking at next 10 years and possibly an open worlds. Suggestion: to take a survey of the 2017 Worlds sailors to gather information before making changes.

Class Rules: Luis Soubie made a motion to approve the Rules as provided, seconded by Raul Rios, with modifications to be made on the bare hull & lack of flatness rule. Immense gratitude to Giorgio Brezich and Antonio Bari who worked extremely hard over 6 years with World Sailing to complete these rules.

Finances: Discussion of enforcement of membership for regattas. National Secretaries were somewhat in favor of direct membership.

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Proposal: Increase the sail royalty fee from the current \$15 to \$25. Motion & seconded, passed. In effect 1/1/2018

Proposal: Increase the new hull number fee from the current \$50 to \$100. Motion & seconded, passed. In effect 1/1/2018.

Bulletin: motion to make the Bulletin digital as of January 2018. Those who want a printed & mailed Bulletin can purchase an annual subscription (fee to be determined.) Motion, seconded & passed. Caution to look at official notices that must be printed in the Bulletin.

Suggestion: to send NS a list of boats not registered quarterly to help encourage more registrations on time/before large events.

Regatta Bids:

2018 World Masters: Vilamoura, Portugal. Approved June 18-24?

2018 Women's Worlds: Newport, RI. will distribute & vote online (by end of Aug)

2019 World Championship: Must submit by September 1 a signed bid for consideration.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00pm