

## **WINDSURFING COMMITTEE**



MET AT 0930 – 1330 HOURS ON SUNDAY 4 NOVEMBER 2007 AT THE  
PALACIO ESTORIL HOTEL, ESTORIL PORTUGAL

### **MINUTES**

#### Present:

Rich Jeffries - Chairman  
Phil Jones – Vice-Chairman  
Fiona Barron - Vice-President  
Aaron Botzer  
Marc Cardon  
Cowen Chiu

Bruno De Wannemaeker  
Mike Dempsey  
Tomasz Holc  
Shuxia Meng  
  
Ceri Williams

#### Apologies:

Deborah Powell  
Anja Mueller

#### Not present:

Nicolas Kaklamanakis  
Ronald Kobrick  
Paul Maes  
Alessandra Sensini

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## **1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

### **(a) Minutes**

The Committee noted the minutes of the Windsurfing Committee meeting of 5 November 2006.

### **(b) Minutes – matters arising**

There were no matters arising (not covered elsewhere on this agenda).

## **2. NEIL PRYDE RS:X**

### **(a) Update report**

The Committee received an updated report from the RS: X Class President regarding the class and the class activities. A new one shot board was being built and should replace the current board for the 2008 Olympic Sailing Competition. The new one shot board would have better tolerances and would improve production.

The Class President reported that if ISAF approved the new one shot board they should be delivered to China in July, 2008. The equipment will be allocated to competitors on 29 July 2008. The introduction of the new board should be strictly controlled to avoid any competitors gaining a perceived advantage.

## **WINDSURFING COMMITTEE (CONT).**

The Class President also reported that Neil Pryde had not yet confirmed that they would supply equipment to Brazil for the 2009 ISAF Youth Sailing World Championships.

### **3. IOC YOUTH OLYMPICS – WINDSURFING EVENTS**

#### **(a) Submission 038-07**

The Committee considered submission 038-07 (other Committee) from the International Formula Windsurfing Class about IOC Youth Olympics – Windsurfing Events. It was noted that the IOC wants sailing at the Youth Olympics to be spectacular and innovative. The Committee felt that until a venue was decided it would be difficult to finalise a format for the windsurfing events. A report from the Executive Committee stated that they had recommended to the IOC the inclusion of windsurfing for both boys and girls in the 2010 Youth Olympics; it was recommended that windsurfing would be 2 of the 4 proposed sailing events.

Recommendation to Council:  
WITHDRAWN

### **4. SELECTION OF EVENTS FOR THE 2012 OLYMPIC SAILING COMPETITION**

Before considering the Submissions the Committee Chairman gave a PowerPoint presentation supporting windsurfing as an Olympic Event. The presentation demonstrated that windsurfing was both a Type 1 Event that would maximise nation participation and a Type 2 Event that would maximise media appeal.

#### **(a) Submission 076-07**

The Committee considered submission 076-07 (other Committee) from the Chairman of the Windsurfing Committee about the selection of events for the 2012 Olympic Sailing Competition. The voting system for the Events in 2012 was explained and it was agreed that windsurfing was an exciting sport that had world wide representation.

Recommendation to Council:  
Approve

#### **(b) Submission 089-07**

The Committee considered 089-07 (other Committee) from the International Funboard Class about the selection of events for the 2012 Olympic Sailing Competition.

Recommendation to Council:  
Approve

## WINDSURFING COMMITTEE (CONT).

(c) Submission 096-07

The Committee considered 097-07 (other Committee) from the Israel Yachting Association about the selection of events for the 2012 Olympic Sailing Competition.

Recommendation to Council:

Approve

(d) Submission 102-07

The Committee considered 102-07 (other Committee) from the Polish Yachting Association about the selection of events for the 2012 Olympic Sailing Competition.

Recommendation to Council:

Approve in relation to Windsurfing.

(e) Submission 104-07

The Committee considered 104-07 (other Committee) from the Russian Yachting Federation about the selection of events for the 2012 Olympic Sailing Competition.

Recommendation to Council:

Approve in relation to Windsurfing.

## 5. RACING RULES OF SAILING

(a) Submission 225-07

The Committee considered 225-07 (other Committee) from the Bulgarian Sailing Federation and International RS: X Class about Racing Rules of Sailing Appendix B.

Recommendation to Council:

Approve with the following amendment

Delete Rule 13.2. For the proposal for B7.2 insert full stop after '**other board**' and remove '**and take a penalty under Rule 44.2**, or retired, or was penalized.'

(b) Submission 228-07

The Committee considered submission 228-07 (other Committee) from the International Funboard Class Association about Racing Rules of Sailing Appendix B2.4. It was agreed that the changes would not come about until 2009 so sailors would have time to get used to this change and would be several sails down the line by then.

Recommendation to Council:

Approve

## **WINDSURFING COMMITTEE (CONT).**

**Vote: Approve 9, Abstain 1**

### **6. CLASS REPORTS**

The Committee received verbal and/or written progress reports from representatives from the International and Recognised Windsurfing Classes.

- International Windsurfing Association
- International Mistral Class Organisation (MOD & MJOD Classes)
- International Race Board Class
- Formula Experience Class
- International Funboard Class Association
- International Speed Windsurfing Class
- Techno 293 Class

The Committee agreed that the Techno 293 would need to become a true one design class if it were to be adopted for the Youth Olympics. The Class Measurer agreed to report back on this at the 2008 Conference. See Agenda item 9e.

### **7. ANNUAL REPORT**

The Committee noted the Chairman's report to the ISAF Council meeting of 8 November 2007 on the activities of the Windsurfing Committee for the period 1 January 2007 to date.

### **8. ISAF STRATEGIC PLAN**

- (a) Committee Terms of Reference, Skill Sets, Work Plan – 2008-2012
  - (i) The Committee noted the proposed Committee Terms of Reference and Skill Sets for the Windsurfing Committee to the Executive Committee for the term of office November 2008 – November 2012. It was noted that there were a few empty seats around the table.
  - (ii) The Committee considered the four year work plan for the Windsurfing Committee for the period November 2008 – November 2012 and will make a recommendation to the Executive Committee by 31 March 2008.

### **9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

- (a) Deferred Submission 143-06

The Committee considered deferred submission 143-06 about the Racing Rules of Sailing.

Recommendation to Council:

Reject

With the following comment: Except for the RS:X Class all other Windsurfing Classes prefer the Tie Break System of Appendix B.

## WINDSURFING COMMITTEE (CONT).

(b) Submission 055-07

The Committee considered submission 055-07 about ISAF Regulations New Definition and Consequential Changes.

Recommendation to Council:

Approve with the following ammendment

Remove the word 'sailboard' from the definition of **Boat** in Proposal 1.

(c) Submission 131-07

The Committee considered submission 131-07 about Windsurfing – Participation and World Championships.

Recommendation to Council:

Approve

(d) Kite Surfing

There was a discussion about Kite Surfing and whether the sport should be developed by ISAF. It was agreed that the ISAF Rules and Regulations would need to be broadened to be able to include new disciplines. See Agenda Item 9b.

(e) Youth Olympics

It was agreed that the BIC Techno should be chosen as the equipment for the Youth Olympics. The BIC Techno representative agreed verbally to this.

“Supplied equipment for the Youth Olympics: The Windsurfing Committee proposes the BIC Techno with a one design rig and an exciting format of sailing including slalom.”

(f) Health of Competitors

There was a short discussion on injuries and stresses to competitors. It was agreed that this was not just a windsurfing problem. Two things could be looked at: training and preparation; design and equipment.

(g) British Airways

It was noted that British Airways had announced that they would no longer carry boards and other sporting equipment as extra baggage. It was agreed that a letter should be written to British Airways explaining the problems this could cause.

There being no further business the meeting was closed.