

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

MET AT 0930 – 1330 HOURS ON SATURDAY 16 AUGUST AND 0930-1330 ON SUNDAY 17 AUGUST AT THE ADMINISTRATION CENTRE, QINGDAO SAILING MARINA, QINGDAO, CHINA.



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Present:

Göran Petersson – President
HM King Constantine – President of Honour
George Andreadis – Vice-President
Fiona Barron – Vice-President
David Irish – Vice-President
David Kellett – Vice-President
Teresa Lara – Vice-President
Teo Ping Low – Vice-President
Jerome Pels – Secretary General

In Attendance:

Helen Hopkins – Office Manager

1. OPENING OF THE MEETING

The President welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Apologies were received from His Majesty King Harald of Norway.

2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

(a) Minutes

The minutes of the Executive Committee meeting of 8, 9 and 12 May 2008 were noted.

(b) Minutes – matters arising

There were no matters arising

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3. REPORTS

(a) President's Report

The President gave a brief report about his attendance at the ISAF Youth Sailing World Championship in Aarhus, Denmark.

(b) Secretary General's Report

The Secretary General gave a brief report including a brief overview of the GAISF and ASOIF meetings during the Sport Accord meeting. The Secretary General informed the Committee of a sponsorship arrangement with Rolex for the ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing. A slight amendment was agreed to be made to the MNA copyright license as a consequence of Rolex wishing to be the sole watch brand associated with the Racing Rules of Sailing across the MNAs.

4. FINANCE

(a) Management Accounts

The Secretary General presented the Management Accounts for the period 1 April to 30 June 2008.

(b) ISAF Debtors

The company debtors were noted.

(c) Isle of Man Trust

The Treasurer gave a verbal update on the Isle of Man Trust and advised that Chapterhouse Trustees Limited were now officially ISAF's Trustees.

5. SUBMISSIONS

(a) Submissions Booklet

Submissions received by 1 August for the November 2008 Council meeting were noted. All submissions were allocated to a Vice President responsible for drafting a proposed recommendation – where appropriate- to be finalised in November.

(b) Executive Committee Submissions

- (i) Submissions where the Executive Committee is the reporting Committee were noted.
- (ii) Submissions where the Executive Committee is the Other Committee were considered.

(c) Late Submissions

There were no late Submissions.

6. ISAF CONSTITUTION

(a) Objects of the International Sailing Federation (ISAF)

The Objects of the International Sailing Federation (ISAF) was discussed:

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Decision

- (i) **Renaming the Objects of the International Sailing Federation (ISAF) to 'Aims of the International Sailing Federation' was approved.**
 - (ii) **Listing the aims under a sub-heading of 'Approved by Council' was approved.**
 - (iii) **Moving the Aims of ISAF so they appear before the Constitution was approved**
- (b) The 'Note' at the bottom of the Objects

Decision

Deleting: "Note: the following constitutes the operational part of the memorandum and Articles of Association necessary for the operation of ISAF as an organization. Some formal parts of the Memorandum of Association relating to the fact that ISAF is incorporated as a company in the Isle of Man have been omitted but the full text is available at the offices of Sailing International Ltd, at Ariadne House, Southampton." was approved.

7. APPOINTMENT TO ISAF COUNCIL AND COMMITTEES

(a) Council

The status of nominations to Council was noted. At the time of the meeting there was no situation with two or more candidates for Council membership in a group, requiring the President to act in accordance with article 42 (e).

(b) Committee Nominations

Vice Presidents Fiona Barron and David Kellett gave an update on Committee nominations reporting that there was a good ratio of women to men with much younger people being nominated in general.

8. ISAF COMMISSIONS

(a) Multihull Commission

Decision

Appointments to the Multihull Commission were confirmed as

**Paul Pascoe (AUS) – Chairman
Carolijn Brouwer (BEL)
Olivier Bovyn (FRA)
David Brookes (AUS)
Santiago Lange (ARG)
Brian David Phipps (GBR)
Roka Sandor (HUN)
John Williams (USA)**

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(b) Training Commission

- (i) The report from the meeting of the Training Commission of 3 July 2008 was received. The Executive Committee expressed some concerns over the timelines recommended with regard to the introduction of the ISAF Training Accreditation System (18-24 months). Vice President Fiona Barron was asked to consult the Commission to see if this can be done sooner.

Decision

The Training Commission will make a recommendation to the Executive for an additional Commission member for consideration by the Executive at the Annual Conference 2008.

- (ii) A draft ISAF Learn to Sail Training Programme was received and it was noted this would be produced in booklet form after completion of the Connect to Sailing pilot projects which are using the ISAF Learn to Sail Programme and translated into various languages, the first being Spanish.

Decision

The ISAF Learn to Sailing Training Programme syllabus was approved and the Executive noted the importance of both this and the need for ISAF accreditation of the MNA Training Programmes.

(c) International Regulations Commission

A report from the Chairman of the International Regulations Commission brought forward from the previous Executive Committee Meeting in May 2008 was noted.

Several recommendations were received and dealt with:

Decisions

- (i) **To appoint Carl Gerstrom to the Commission if the Danish Sailing Federation support the appointment.**
- (ii) **The Executive Committee feel that GreenBlue should report through the International Regulations Committee.**
- (iii) **The Executive will send a letter to MNA's encouraging donations to the IMO SAR fund.**
- (iv) **Official correspondence with stakeholders by the Chairman of the International Regulations Commission shall be done on Official ISAF Logo paper through the Secretariat, in name of the Secretary General.**

(d) Athletes Commission

A report from the Chairman of the Athletes Commission was considered.

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- (i) **The Executive Committee recommend that submissions be handled as per all other Commissions ie via the Executive Committee.**
- (ii) **The Executive Committee consider that the current structure does not permit the commission to have a seat on the Council.**
- (iii) **A Women's Match Racing representative will be added to the Athletes Commission at the next elections following the introduction of a new Women's event for the 2012 Olympic Sailing competition.**
- (iv) **The Executive Committee feel that 2 full days for the Athletes Commission meeting is adequate.**

9. ISAF MEMBERS

The report on the dispensation request for Tanzanian Sailors to compete in the IODA African Championships was received.

Decision

The Executive approved the request for Tanzanian Sailors to compete in the IODA African Championships.

10. ISAF EVENTS

(a) ISAF World Cup of Sailing

Vice-President David Kellett and the Events Manager gave a progress update on the implementation of the ISAF World Cup of Sailing. It was noted that 2009 is likely to be a quieter year in terms of the number of sailors racing.

(b) 2011 ISAF Sailing World Championships

The Secretary General and the Events Manager gave an update on the 2011 ISAF Sailing World Championships. The contract was still being negotiated and it was noted that Yachting Australia should be included in any contractual Agreement. It was noted that ISAF will not obtain sponsorship and the Western Australia 2011 Organising Committee will therefore have those rights.

Decision

The Secretary General is authorised to finalise the proposed arrangement.

(c) 2013 ISAF Sailing World Championships

The Events Manager gave an update on the 2013 ISAF Sailing World Championships.

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Recommendation

ISAF Events Committee Chairman and Olympic Classes Sub-Committee Chairman will be requested report to the Executive Committee on the issue of viability and consequences of having a bi-annual ISAF World Championship for the Olympic Classes.

- (d) Volvo Youth Sailing ISAF World Championship, 10-19 July 2008
 - (i) The report from the ISAF Technical Delegate was received and the Executive noted this was a very successful Championship.
 - (ii) An update on the Athlete's Participation Programme was received.
- (e) ISAF Women's Match Racing World Championship, 1-6 April 2008

The report from the ISAF Technical Delegate was received and the Executive noted this was a good, well attended event.

11. DEVELOPMENT

- (a) ISAF MNA Guidelines

An updated draft MNA Guidelines was received and Vice-President Fiona Barron reported this draft was still to be finalised.
- (b) Connect to Sailing

A progress report on the Connect to Sailing project was received and Vice-President Fiona Barron reported on the progress in India and of the interest expressed by Emirates, Qatar and Oman.
- (c) ISAF Youth Foundation

Vice-President Fiona Barron gave a verbal update on the ISAF Youth Foundation and the reasons behind forming a Charitable Trust Company.

12. INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR DISABLED SAILING (IFDS)

- (a) IFDS / ISAF Relationship

Vice President David Irish gave a verbal report on the meeting between IFDS and ISAF during the Mid-Year Meetings 2008.
- (b) IFDS Worlds Event / IFDS Classes

The IFDS has requested five Worlds Championships for disabled sailors and recognition of Classes of equipment suitable for those events. The Executive Committee will put forward a submission authorizing IFDS to recognize Classes suitable for competition by disabled sailors and to conduct up to five World Championships annually, by disability category, in Classes so recognized.

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13. ISAF AWARDS

(a) ISAF Medals

Decision

- (i) The criteria for medal awards and scrolls were approved. A proposal based on the criteria will be put before the Executive for consideration at the November Annual Conference.**
- (ii) If a Committee Member has never attended a meeting they will not receive a scroll.**

(b) Development Award

Recommendations for the recipient of the ISAF President Development Award for 2008 were received and a recommendation was given to the President for consideration.

14. MARKETING – ISAF LOGO

Further proposals for the ISAF Logo were considered.

Decision

The logo as in attachment 1 was approved for corporate use from 1 January 2009 and for the ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing 2009 - 2012.

15. ANTI-DOPING

(a) America's Cup

An update on the Simon Daubney case was received.

(b) Volvo Ocean Race

The Secretary General advised that ISAF would work with the Volvo Ocean Race on an anti-doping programme.

16. APPOINTMENT OF ISAF TECHNICAL DELEGATES

(a) Games of Small States of Europe 2009

Decision

George Andreadis (GRE) was appointed Technical Delegate for the Games of the Small States of Europe 2009.

(b) World Master Games 2009

Decision

Mr Tony Denham (AUS) was appointed Technical Delegate for the World Master Games 2009. This was an exceptional appointment based on the specific request from the organizers to appoint a local person.

(c) XXI Central American and Caribbean Sports Games 2010

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Decision

Juan Reinosco (ARG) was appointed Technical Delegate for the Caribbean Sports Games 2010.

17. 2009 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

The list of World Championship events for 2009 was approved and should be put forward to the MNA's for their approval for events taking place within their territory.

18. 2012 OLYMPIC SAILING COMPETITION

(a) IOC Questionnaire

The IOC template to request modification of Events-Quotas-Competition Formats for London 2012 was received and the deadline for completion and return was noted.

(b) IOC

The IOC letter regarding the events for the 2012 Olympic Games was noted.

19. BID CITIES FOR THE OLYMPIC SAILING COMPETITION 2016

The President and Secretary General presented an update on bids for the 2016 Olympic Sailing Competition.

Decision

The following Executive Committee members will make site visits to the Bid Cities:

Vice Presidents David Kellett and Teo-Ping Low – Tokyo

Vice President Teresa Lara – Rio de Janeiro

Vice-President Fiona Barron – Madrid

President Goran Petersson - Chicago

20. IOC YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES

A progress report was received from the Secretary General and the Events Manager and the Executive Committee noted that good progress was being made.

21. ASOIF AND SPORTACCORD

The Secretary General gave a verbal report on the recent ASOIF and Sport Accord meetings.

22. FUTURE ISAF MEETINGS

The arrangements for the forthcoming ISAF Meetings were noted:

(a) 2008 ISAF Annual Conference – 6-16 November 2008, Madrid

(b) Executive Meeting – 5 – 8 February 2009, Los Angeles

(c) 2009 ISAF Mid-Year Meeting - 7-11 May 2009, Warsaw

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- (d) 2009 ISAF Annual Conference - 5-16 November 2009, Busan

23. SECRETARIAT

- (a) Overview Report

A verbal overview report on the activities of the Secretariat was received.

24. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) Trophy in memory of Nucci Novi-Ceppellini

Giovanni Novi wishes to present a trophy to ISAF in memory of Nucci Novi-Ceppellini for Women's Match Racing. It was suggested to introduce this as an additional trophy for the ISAF Women's Match Racing World Championship and that the Match Racing Committee is invited to make a recommendation. The offer is highly appreciated by the Executive Committee.

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APPENDIX 1

ISAF LOGO

