

Executive Committee Minutes



The Executive Committee met at 09:30-18:00 hours on Saturday 8 September to Monday 10 September at Limewood Hotel, Lyndhurst, UK

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Present:

Göran Petersson - President

HM King Constantine - President of Honour

Tomasz Holc - Vice-President (8 Sept only)

Nazli Imre - Vice-President

David Irish - Vice-President

Teresa Lara - Vice President

Teo-Ping-Low - Vice-President (8 and 9 Sept only)

Alberto Predieri - Vice-President

Eric Tulla – Vice-President (not present for
Items: 8(a), (b), (d), (e), (f), (i) and 9)

Jerome Pels - Secretary General

In attendance:

Helen Fry - Head of Administration

Alastair Fox – Head of Competitions Department (Monday
only)

Apologies:

David Kellett - Treasurer

1. Opening of the Meeting

The President welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

(a) Minutes

The minutes of the Executive Committee meeting of 3 and 6 May 2012 (circulated and approved after the meeting) were noted.

(b) Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

3. Reports

(a) President's Report

The President gave a brief outline of his activities since the last meeting.

(b) Secretary General's Report

i) Yacht Club of St Petersburg 750 Nautical Mile Race

The Secretary General reported on the Yacht Club of St Petersburg 750 Nautical Mile Race.

Decision

The approval fee as per Regulation 15.12.2 shall apply and this will include media rights assignment to the event.

ii) International Laser Class Association

The Secretary General informed the meeting about the request for approval to the Laser construction Manual.

Decision

The Executive Committee expressed concern that the International Laser Class Association has not completed a consultative process within their Class with the class membership. ISAF will withhold approval until the consultation process is completed.

iii) New Olympic Equipment

The Secretary General reported on allocation and distribution of the FX and Nacra Equipment.

iv) ASOIF

The Secretary General reported that ASOIF had set aside funds to start a shared project on results data exchange between International Sports Federation and facilitate data provision to Olympic Games Organisers t.

v) ICCA

The Secretary General reported that The International Council for Coaches Association has started a project in cooperation with ASOIF where they are trying to align qualifications for coaches on an international scale.

vi) Racing Rules of Sailing

The Secretary General reported the New Rules are now available in print and can now also be obtained as an App available through the iTunes shop for Apple portable devices.

vii) ISAF Website

The Secretary General demonstrated the new ISAF Website and gave an overview of traffic figures.

4. Finance

(a) Management Accounts

The Secretary General presented the Management Accounts – 1 January to 30 June 2012

(b) Budget 2013

The Secretary General advised that he was starting to work on a proposal for the 2013 Budget that would be presented to the Executive in November 2012 for approval. It was noted that the budget for 2013 would likely be similar to that of 2012 with the additional spending on projects in the area of development.

(c) ISAF Debtors

The company debtors were noted.

(d) Isle of Man Trust

An update on the Isle of Man Trust was received from the Secretary General.

(e) ISAF Deposits

The Secretary General reviewed the ISAF Deposits

Decision

Before the end of 2012 a lump sum will be donated to the ISAF Trust to the reach the £ 2,000,000 million reserve target.

5. Governance

(a) To consider Rule 69 Cases

The Executive Committee reviewed two Rule 69 Cases but more information was needed for them to be able to make a decision. The Secretary General is asked to contact the relevant Member National Authority to obtain the details.

(b) Code of Ethics / Ethics Commission

The members of the Ethics Commission for the period to November 2012 are:

Peter Tallberg (FIN) Chair
Fiona Barron (GBR)
Nilufer Cakmakli (TUR) –Constitution Committee
Carlo Rolandi (ITA) – Constitution Committee
Bill Allen (USA)
Bertie de Speville (GBR)
Peter Siemsen (BRA)

The new Executive Committee will then appoint the Ethics Commission after November 2012 in line with Committee nominations.

It was noted that the ISAF Code of Ethics currently consists of the various ethical standards in the Regulations and the Racing Rules of Sailing.

Decision

The Executive Committee recommend that the new Executive Committee appoint a specialised body to bring all the ethical standards into one document.

(c) Disciplinary Process

The Executive Committee received the report on the review of the Disciplinary Process of ISAF together with draft submissions.

Decision

The report and draft submissions will be put on the Agendas of relevant Committees and Commissions for November 2012. Feedback will be given to the Working Party in order for them to prepare submissions for November 2013.

(d) Council

The status of appointments to Council was noted.

(e) Committee Nominations

An update on Committee nominations was received.

Decision

Due Diligence is required for residents of countries who do not have a passport of the nominating MNA.

- (f) ISAF Medals

A paper will be circulated to the Executive Committee for consideration of recipients for ISAF Medals in November 2012

6. Submissions

- (a) Deferred Submissions

Submissions deferred from previous Council meetings were noted.

- (b) Submissions

The Executive Committee reviewed the submissions received by 1 August for the November 2012 Council meeting and allocated the submissions to the relevant Vice-Presidents for determining the final Executive Committee recommendations to Council.

Decision

The Executive Committee is aware that there is a request for interpretation by the Constitution Committee that may affect the validity of some submissions. In order to ensure a proper debate the Executive Committee will submit additional submissions to facilitate this.

The Executive Committee considers the following submissions are invalid:

048-12 (regulation 23.1.3 (c); lacks the required evaluation by ISAF)

059-12 (regulation 23.1.3 (e); does not propose a complete slate)

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- (c) Executive Committee Submissions

The submissions where the Executive Committee is the Reporting Committee or Other Committee were considered and confirmed.

- (d) Late Submissions

There were no late submissions.

7. International Sports Update

The President gave a verbal update on his activities within the IOC, ASOIF and SportAccord.

8. Events

- (a) America's Cup

The Secretary General gave a verbal progress report.

- (b) ISAF Sailing World Cup

Alberto Predieri reported that negotiations are on-going with Miami.

Decision

Alberto Predieri and the Secretary General are authorised to finalise and sign the Miami contract when ready.

- i) ISAF Sailing World Cup Manager

Antonio Gonzalez de la Madrid Rodrigues has been appointed as the new ISAF Sailing World Cup Manager.

- ii) Swiss Timing

It was noted that a quote for Swiss Timing covering timing and scoring for the 2012 – 2013 ISAF Sailing World Cup had been received. The ISAF Secretariat is encouraged to engage with potential sponsors to determine whether ISAF could provide Swiss Timing resources as a service to the ISAF Sailing World Cup events.

iii) Budget

A preliminary budget for the 2012 – 2013 ISAF Sailing World Cup was discussed and agreed.

(c) Olympic Sailing Competition 2012

The President stated that the London 2012 Olympic Games had been a tremendous success and noted the Executive Committee looked forward to receiving the final reports from ISAF and LOCOG at the 2012 ISAF Annual Conference in Dublin. The Technical Delegate gave an update on the review process for the London 2012 Olympics. Various reports would be produced by the ISAF Secretariat, LOCOG and the IOC that would be helpful for planning future Olympic Sailing Competitions. The IOC will have a full debrief for the summer IFs on 17 October 2012.

(d) Olympic Sailing Competition 2016

i) Training Venues

The ISAF Technical delegate reported that one of the main priorities currently was to ensure there is a level playing field for our MNAs regarding the cost of training at the Olympic venue.

ii) Site Visit

Decision

Pending the election of the New Executive Committee the ISAF Technical Delegate and Secretary General are authorised to complete a site visit.

iii) Competition Management Observations

The Technical Delegate noted that the Rio 2016 Sailing Competition Manager, Walter Boddener, had been an observer at both the Olympic and Paralympic Sailing Competitions. ISAF and LOCOG had both ensured that he had every opportunity to learn from the events and it was noted that there was a good working relationship in place between ISAF and Rio 2016.

(e) Olympic Sailing Competition 2020

i) ISAF Sign Off

The ISAF Technical Delegate reported that he had been in contact with Tokyo and both he and the Secretary General will complete a site visit shortly. Concern was raised that Istanbul or Madrid had made no contact.

ii) Spectator Areas

The proposed spectator areas in the Tokyo bid needs to be reviewed.

(f) IOC Youth Olympic Games 2014

The ISAF Technical Delegate reported that a site visit is due but there were still concerns about the weather conditions. The continental qualification system would soon be started.

(g) World Match Racing Tour

The Secretary General gave an update on the contractual arrangements for the World Match Racing Tour. The option of a Women's Tour needs to be considered in the new contract.

Decision

The Executive Committee formally authorise the Secretary General to use the break clause in the current contract and start negotiation on a new agreement as per the draft reviewed by the Executive Committee.

(h) 2014 ISAF Sailing World Championships, Santander

A progress report was given by the ISAF Technical Delegate that included an update on the budget and preparations for the event.

Decision

The ISAF Technical Delegate will complete a site visit and prepare a full progress report for the Executive Committee for them to consider at the November 2012 meeting.

- (i) ISAF Youth World Sailing Championships 2013
 - i) A progress report was given by the Head of Competitions and the budget made by the Cyprus Sailing Federation was presented. It was reported that contracts had not been signed.

Decision

The Executive Committee expressed concerns about signing a contract when the budget showed a deficit and not all the costs are included The Secretary General is instructed to clarify with the Organisers.

- (j) ISAF Nations Cup 2013

The Executive Committee noted the proposals of the Nations Cup Working Party for the 2013 edition.
- (k) Extreme Sailing Series / FFV

The Executive Committee considered a request to make use of the Racing Rules of Sailing – America's Cup Edition.

Decision

The Treasurer will contact ACRM.

- (l) 2013 World Championships

The list of the 2013 World Championships applied for by the classes in accordance with Regulation 25.10 was noted.

9. On Line Sailing Games

Presentation by SailX and Virtual Regatta was received.

Recommendation

The New Executive Committee should consider a strategy going forward with regards to online sailing (games)

10. ISAF Sailing Centre

The Executive Committee considered two proposals for International sailing centres.

Decision

This issue should be discussed by the new Executive Committee as part of a strategic approach. Anything ISAF does will be done so with the full approval of our MNAs. Concerns were expressed regarding financial risks.

11. Technical Delegates Report

- (a) ISAF Youth World Sailing Championships 2012

This Championship had proved to be extremely successful. The organizers worked hard and effectively whilst the hundreds of volunteers ensured this championship was as great a success ashore as on the water.
- (b) ISAF Women's Match Racing Championships 2012

The Royal Gothenburg Yacht Club ensured this was an unforgettable event for both the competitors and the Race Officials. The standard of competition was very high and showed Match Racing at a world championship level.

12. ISAF Technical Delegate Appointments

(a) South East Asian Games 2013

David Brookes (AUS) will be appointed as ISAF Technical Delegate for the 2013 South East Asian Games.

(b) Pacific Mini Games 2013

David Brookes (AUS) will be appointed as ISAF Technical Delegate for the 2013 Pacific Mini Games.

(c) Bolivarian Games 2013

Flavio Naveira (ARG) will be appointed as ISAF Technical Delegate for the 2013 Bolivarian Games.

13. ISAF Guide to Offshore Personal Safety Book

The Executive Committee was shown the final print proof copy of the ISAF Guide to Offshore Personal Safety and it was reported that the final version will be available shortly.

14. Athletes Commission

A report was received from Alberto Predieri.

Decision

The Executive Committee will put forward a submission to open up the Athletes Commission to include non-Olympic athletes.

15. ISAF Awards

(a) Beppe Croce

The Beppe Croce Award was considered.

(b) ISAF President's Development Award

Decision

The ISAF President's Development Award will be presented to Rob Andrews (GBR) for his outstanding contribution to the Olympic Sailing Competition 2012.

16. Secretariat

A verbal report was received from the Secretary General.

17. Future ISAF Meetings

(a) 2012 ISAF Annual Conference Dun Laoghaire, Ireland – 1-11 November

(b) 2013 Annual Conference Oman – 7-17 November

18. Any Other Business

There were no matters arising.