#### **Executive Committee Minutes**

#### **Private and Confidential**



The Executive Committee met at 09:30 – 18:00 on Saturday 7 November, 09:30 - 13:30 on Sunday 8 November and 09:30 – 11:30 on Friday 13 November 2015 at Kempinski Hotel Haitang Bay, Sanya, China

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#### Present:

Carlo Croce - President

Chris Atkins - Vice-President

Adrienne Greenwood - Vice-President

Nazli Imre- Vice President

Gary Jobson- Vice-President

Quanhai Li - Vice-President

W. Scott Perry - Vice-President

Peter Sowrey - Chief Executive Officer

#### In attendance:

Helen Fry - Head of Operations

Yann Rocherieux – Athlete Commission Representative (Friday 13 November only)

#### **Apologies:**

HM King Constantine - President of Honour

George Andreadis- Vice-President

# 1. Opening of the Meeting

(a) Communication from the President

The President sent his best regards to His Majesty King Constantine on behalf of the Executive Committee and welcomed everyone to the meeting. Vice-President Li was thanked for his, the CYA and the Government of Sanya's help in the arrangements for the Annual Conference 2016.

Concern was expressed about ISAF's responsibility in Rio with regard to injuries / illness.

## **Decision**

The CEO will find out the legal position and consult with the IOC.

(b) Minutes

The minutes of the Executive Committee meeting of 15 and 16 September 2015 (circulated and approved after the meeting) were noted and one change to Item 2(k)'s decision was requested.

## **Decision**

In addition each Affiliated Continental Association is requested to draft a 2 page Development Plan by May 2016 with a comprehensive analysis of the status of the sport within that region.

(c) Minutes Matters Arising

The venue for the Annual Conference 2016 was discussed.

## **Decision**

Following feedback from Member National Authorities, the Executive Committee has decided to move the 2016 Annual conference from Abu Dhabi. The location will be in Europe and the dates of the Conference will be 5 November to 13 November 2016. The Executive hope to have an Annual Conference in Abu Dhabi in 2017 or the near future.

## 2. General Business

# **Finance**

(a) Management Accounts for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2015.

The CEO presented the Management Accounts for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2015 using the new presentation that would be used for Council.

## **Decision**

The Executive would like the financials to be displayed by having a set of income and expenditure figures that match what is trying to be achieved. A 4 year income statement will be produced to clearly show how ISAF performs vs its 4 yearly income stream from the Olympic Games.

(b) Budget 2016

The budget for 2016 was presented.

(c) ISAF Debtors

The ISAF Debtors were noted.

(d) ISAF Class building (plaque) fees from 1 January 2016.

#### Decision

The ISAF Class building (plaque) fees from 1 January 2016 were approved.

(e) Quarterly Report on the Isle of Man Trust

An update on the Isle of man Trust was given by Scott Perry.

(f) ISAF Deposits

An update on the ISAF deposits was given by Scott Perry.

## **Governance**

(g) Annual Report 2015

It was confirmed that the 2015 Annual Report would be drafted early in the New Year.

(h) Disciplinary Cases

A verbal update on current disciplinary cases was given by the CEO.

- (i) Committee / Commissions
  - i) Ethics Commission vacancy

## Recommendation

The Executive Committee recommend to Council that they approve the appointment of Göran Petersson (SWE) as Chair of the Ethics Commission.

ii) Election Committee membership

# Recommendation

In accordance with Article 75 Council shall appoint an Election Committee. The Executive Committee recommend to Council:

HM King Constantine (Chair)
Nazli Imre (TUR)
David Kellett (AUS)
Ser Miang Ng (SIN)
Göran Petersson (SWE)

iii) Classification Commission vacancy

# **Decision**

The Executive Committee approve the appointment of Glen Stanaway (AUS) to the Sailor Classification Commission.

(j) Swiss Foundation

It was expected that the new Foundation will comprise a two tier board – one prestigious the other an operating board. As soon as a person is hired for the Lausanne office and a Board of Directors is appointed the Foundation will be operational – hopefully by May 2016.

# **Decision**

The new Swiss Foundation will be called World Sailing Foundation which will clearly align itself to World Sailing.

- (k) MNA Matters
  - i) Iraqi Water Sports and Sailing Federation
    - A Full Membership application has been received which the Constitution Committee are currently reviewing.
  - Request from Sail Canada to change their subscription category from 5 to 4
     This request from Sail Canada has now been withdrawn.
- (I) Disabled Sailing Committee

Scott Perry advised that the membership of ISAF will be on the Agenda of the General Assembly of IPC on 14 November. Brian Todd from the Disabled Sailing Committee will be representing ISAF and a brochure had been printed which clearly demonstrated recent developments.

(m) Deferred Submission and Submission Recommendations

The Executive considered the deferred and Executive submissions and made the Recommendations to Council.

(n) Athletes Commission Chair to be on Executive Committee

# **Decision**

The Athletes Commission Chair will be granted full voting membership of the Executive Committee. The Constitution Committee will be asked to review the Constitution and Regulations in order to make the relevant changes.

# 3. Reports / Information

(a) Vice-Presidents and CEO Reports

The Vice-Presidents and CEO reported on their activities since the last meeting.

(b) Secretariat

The CEO gave a report on the Secretariat.

## 4. Events

(a) 2016 Sailing World Cup and Final

The Executive Committee noted the SWC Future Development paper prepared by Alastair Fox, ISAF Head of Events, for the Events Committee meeting. It was agreed that although there were lots of positives around the development of the Sailing World until the sailing calendar can be properly controlled there will be challenges ensuring the world's best Olympic sailors can attend all of the events and the final.

As part of the IOC Agenda 2020 recommendations it was noted that ISAF needed to develop an annual series of events that showcased Olympic sailing but that also delivered the best sport presentation, spectator, sponsor and media experience possible.

The Executive Committee welcomed feedback from the Events Committee to ensure that positive changes to the Sailing world Cup format could be made to create a compelling series of events culminating in a showcase final.

- (b) 2016 Olympic Sailing Competition
  - i) Executive attendance dates in Rio must be finalised as soon as possible.
- (c) Technical Delegate Reports
  - i) ISAF Youth Match Racing World Championship 2015

The second ISAF Youth Match Racing World Championship was held in Swinoujscie, POL between 14 and 19 September 2015.

ii) Pacific Games Report 2015

The 2015 XV Pacific Games was held in Papua New Guinea and David Brookes was the ISAF appointed TD.

(d) IKA / VKWC

Chris Atkins gave a verbal update.

# **Decision**

The Executive Committee requests that the Chairman of the Events Committee and the ISAF Head of Events submit a report to the Executive Committee at their February 2016 meeting with recommendations on the equipment and format of the Boys and Girls Kiteboarding events at the 2018 Youth Olympic Games.

(e) 35<sup>th</sup> America's Cup

#### **Decision**

50% of the first tranche of the America's Cup fees will be given to the World Youth Sailing Trust.

# 5. Future Strategy

(a) Future Strategy

The CEO outlined his future strategy for 2016 and two key objectives have been set: the first is to double the revenue and the second to quadruple the social media feeds.

(b) OBS Olympic Chanel (Digital Platform)

The CEO reported on the exciting development and advised of the need to fill this platform with good quality footage of our events which will clearly demonstrate that Sailing is a Sport for Life.

(c) Communications / Media Plan

This is currently being finalised with the Marketing and Media Department

(d) Sponsorship

The CEO reported on potential sponsorship opportunities.

# 6. Future ISAF Meetings

- (a) 2016 February Executive Friday 12, Saturday 13 and Sunday 14, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
- (b) 2016 Mid-Year meetings 5 to 8 May, Italy (subject to site visit and contract)
- (c) 2016 September Executive 6 to 8 September, Athens, Greece
- (d) 2016 Annual Conference (5 13 November) Europe (subject to site visit and contract)

# 7. Any Other Business

(a) Match Racing Evaluation Panels

# **Decision**

**Youth MRWC:** 

Miguel Allen (POR) – Chair Adrienne Greenwood (NZL) – VP, Executive Committee Jon Napier – ISAF Secretariat Lotte Meldgaard Pedersen (DEN) – Athlete Stratis Andreadis (GRE) Dave Perry (USA)

Women's MRWC:

Liz Baylis (USA) – Chair
Adrienne Greenwood (NZL) – VP, Executive Committee
Jon Napier – ISAF Secretariat
Lotte Meldgaard Pedersen (DEN) – Athlete
Miguel Allen (POR)
Alfredo Ricci (ITA)

(b) 2019 Youth World Championship Evaluation Panel

#### Decision

Cory Sertl (USA) – Chair Nazli Imre (TUR) – VP, Executive Committee Marianne Davis (CAN) Elena Papazoglou (CYP) Charles Glover (GBR)

Alistair Dickson – ISAF Secretariat
Antonio de la Madrid – ISAF Secretariat