

**The IFDS Executive Committee met by Skype at 1900-2130 GMT on  
Tuesday 22 April 2014**

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**Present**

**IFDS Executive Committee**

JT – John Twomey, President  
BA – Betsy Alison, Vice-President  
BD – Bernard Destrubé, Vice-President  
WK – Wilfried Klein, Vice-President  
HS – Henry Sleutel, Vice-President  
BT – Brian Todd, Vice-President

**ISAF**

EL – Emma Little, Disabled Sailing Administrator

**1. Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

**(a) Minutes**

The minutes of the IFDS Executive Committee meeting of the 18 February 2014, were noted. **EL**

**(b) Minutes Matters Arising**

The IFDS Executive Committee attendance of the ISAF Mid-Year is to be discussed during this meeting. **JT**

**2. IFDS Finances**

**(a) An update on the IFDS Finances was given.**

**Decision**

**It was confirmed that the Executive Committee needs to approve any expenses prior to the implementation of the projects.**

**(b) IFDS International Classifications**

- i) Development of the Online IFDS International Classification Database  
The Online IFDS International Classification Database was discussed and the possibility of including the adaptations information was raised.

**Decision**

**The Executive Committee approved the costs for developing the online classification database and the incorporation of the adaptations information would be investigated.** **JS**

ii) IFDS International Classification Fees

It is the responsibility of athlete to ensure that their IFDS International Classifications have been processed and appear on the IFDS International Classification Master List.

**Decision**

**Failure to do so will result in the sailor being refused participation at the events requiring IFDS International Classification.**

(c) **Agitos, IPC Grant Application**

The submission of the Agitos IPC Grant application was discussed.

**Decision**

**A draft of the documents to be submitted by IFDS would be circulated to the IFDS Executive Committee for approval.**

WK

3. **IFDS/ISAF Merger**

The progress of the merger with ISAF was discussed.

**Decision**

**The Executive Committee would be provided with more detailed information about the merger process to date.**

BD

4. **IFDS FCS 2013**

The change to Appendix A6 in the IFDS FCS 2013 concerning Vision Impaired Classification has been made following the change of the IBSA Medical Diagnostics Form for Vision Impairment.

BD

5. **IFDS Rankings**

**Decision**

**It was agreed that IFDS will keep their 2 year rolling ranking system and publish the recalculated rankings on the website.**

JT

6. **IFDS Events**

The arrangements for the following events were discussed:

(a) **IFDS World Championships, CAN – 16-24 Aug 2014**

The Event Registration is now open although the numbers of registered participants is low. There is a shortage of charter boats available and a shortage of RIB's is anticipated.

**Decision**

**All RNA's should:**

- encourage participation from their countries;
- be encouraged to bring extra boats to with them;
- be encouraged to bring extra RIB's to the event.

**(b) IFDS Blind World Championship, USA – 9-14 Sept 2014**

It was confirmed that the preparations for this event were progressing well; invitations to the event officials are to be distributed; the event organizers will be contacted regarding classification requirements.

HS  
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**(c) IFDS Development Seminar, BRA – 7-10 October 2014**

The 2014 IFDS Development Seminar was discussed and a proposed schedule was noted.

**(d) 2014 Asia Para Games - 18-24 Oct 2014**

It was noted that Henry Sleutel was assisting the Technical Delegate, John Twomey in the preparations for this event.

**Decision**

**Due to the lack of communication with the organizing committee, John and Henry would find an alternative contact.**

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**(e) 2014 IFDS AGM, Palma, ESP – Date to be confirmed**

Possible dates for the 2014 IFDS AGM were discussed.

**7. IPC**

**(a) IPC Athlete Research Proposal**

It was noted that Linda Merkle will be present at the IFDS Worlds in Canada in order to collect information for the IPC Athlete Research Proposal.

**(b) 2014 IPC Sports Council**

**Decision**

**John Twomey was confirmed as the IFDS representative attending this meeting and Jürgen Schwittai would be invited as an observer.**

EL

**(c) Meeting with IPC, Bonn, Germany, June 2014**

The proposed meeting with IPC was discussed.

**Decision**

**The Executive Committee representatives who would be attending the meeting with IPC in Bonn, GER were confirmed as John Twomey, Henry Sleutel, Brian Todd, Wilfried Klein. It was agreed that following this meeting the IFDS Executive Committee would be holding a meeting. For the Executive Committee members not present, a Skype call will be arranged.**

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**8. 2016 Paralympic Sailing Competition**

The requests being made by the organizing committee were discussed.

**Decision**

The Executive Committee want to support the Technical Delegate and Assistant Technical Delegate in any matters concerning the 2016 Paralympic Sailing Competition. The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the 2016 Paralympic Sailing Competition would be reviewed by the Executive Committee.

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**9. 2020 Paralympic Games - Sport Programme**

The 2020 Paralympic Games – Sport Programme was discussed.

**Decision**

It was agreed that this would be progressed with the assistance of David Staley.

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**10. Any Other Business**

**Decision**

The Executive Committee agreed that there was no need for the Executive Committee to be present at the ISAF Mid-Year Meeting in Southampton.

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