

**The IFDS Executive Committee met face-to-face at 1100-1340 hrs  
local time on Tuesday 28 - Wednesday 29 June 2011.**

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**Present:** CT – Costas Tsantilis, Vice-President  
**IFDS Executive Committee** JT – John Twomey, Vice-President  
 LM – Linda Merkle, President  
 WK – Wilfried Klein, Vice-President  
 HS – Henry Sleutel, Vice-President  
 BD – Bernard Destrube, Vice-President

**ISAF**  
 EL – Emma Little, Disabled Sailing Secretary

**Apologies**  
 TL – Teresa Lara, ISAF Vice-President

## 1. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

(a) Minutes LM

The minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting of 30 March 2011 were noted.

(b) Minutes Matters Arising LM

The IFDS noted their thanks to Weymouth & Portland Sailing Academy for accommodating them during the IFDS Executive Committee Meetings. Thanks were also expressed to Tim Hall, Eleanor Black and Olivia Risk on the event organizing committee for their work in organizing the 2011 IFDS World Championships.

A note of thanks was given to John Twomey for making the meeting room reservations for the 2011 IFDS Annual General Meeting, which will take place in Puerto Rico in November 2011.

IFDS expressed their concern about the lack of involvement from ISAF Vice-President Teresa Lara.

## 2. Finance

(a) IFDS Finances JT

John Twomey provided a brief verbal report about the IFDS Finances and confirmed that he was having some trouble in analyzing the Financial data, due to language barriers.

A discussion took place regarding the transfer of the active account to the account in the UK. The barriers which would be encountered in registering IFDS as a charity were discussed.

### Decision

**Henry Sleutel confirmed that he will access the accounts and send** HS

**John Twomey comprehensive accounts.**

**Linda Merkle would contact Jan Romme regarding transferring the location of the IFDS Finances to the UK.**

**LM**

**JT**

**John Twomey would consult the representatives on the IFDS Legal Guidance Group regarding the possibility of becoming a Charity registered in the UK and whether the transfer of the account was a possibility.**

**(b) IFDS Recognized National Authorities**

The countries in 'Good Standing with the IFDS were noted.

**(c) IFDS Insurance**

Bernard Destrubé informed John Twomey about the present IFDS Insurance.

**Decision**

**This item will be discussed further at the next IFDS Executive Committee Meeting. Bernard Destrube will inform John Twomey about the present IFDS insurance and obtain an example of the US Sailing policy, for follow-up at next IFDS Executive Committee meeting.**

**JT, BD**

**(d) IFDS Per Diems**

The issuing of an IFDS Per Diem to people travelling on business approved by the IFDS Executive Committee was discussed.

**Decision**

**It was decided that if an IFDS Executive Committee member or someone appointed by IFDS works away from their usual residence, IFDS would pay Per Diem. The Per Diem was approved as €50 Euros to cover sustenance costs.**

**3. Events**

**(a) 2012 Paralympic Sailing Competition**

**i) It was noted that a meeting between Costas and LOCOG would take place during the IFDS Worlds in Weymouth.**

**CT**

The Equipment Regulations for the Paralympics would be finalized in February 2012.

**ii) It was agreed that Costas Tsantillis will discuss the production of 12 spinnakers for the Two-Person Keelboats, SKUD18's with the nation's flag on them.**

**Decision**

**Costas Tsantillis will discuss this with LOCOG.**

**CT**

**iii) The number of Accreditations which will be given to IFDS was discussed.**

**CT**

LOCOG has accepted 7 Jury Members, 4 Race Officers, 4 IFDS Classifiers, 3 Measurers, 1 Technical Delegate, 1 Assistant Technical Delegate.

The deadline for the Accreditations to be submitted to LOCOG is the 20 April 2012. IFDS need to determine who needs an accreditation.

(b) 2012 IFDS World Championship, Port Charlotte, USA

Henry Sleutel gave an update on the progress of the organizing committee for the 2012 IFDS World Championships;

HS

- i) It was noted that the pontoons were currently being constructed.
- ii) The Event Website has been launched.
- iii) Gene Hinkel has been hired by the organizing committee as Event Manager, until Measurement starts. Transport from major airports to Port Charlotte has to be worked out.

(c) 2013 IFDS World Championship, IRL

It was agreed that the appointment of a Technical Delegate for this event would be discussed in the IFDS Executive Committee Meeting in November 2011.

(d) 2014 IFDS World Championship, Nova Scotia, CAN

The progress of this event was noted.

(e) 2015 IFDS World Championship, Melbourne, AUS

A discussion occurred related to the location of the 2015 IFDS Worlds Championship. An official meeting between IFDS and the Brazil Organizing Committee to occur during the IFDS AGM. A possibility would be to have an International Regatta or IFDS Worlds (non qualifier) in Rio, close to the venue of the 2016 Paralympic Sailing Competition.

LM, PW

(f) Other events

i) Asian Paralympic Games

IFDS received a query as to whether we would be in support of the involvement and if it could be used as a Paralympic Qualifying Event.

**Decision**

**Bernard Destrube will draft a letter to Peter Wood to send to the organizers of the Asian Paralympic Games informing them that IFDS is in favour of this event but that it can not serve as a country qualifier for the Paralympic Sailing Competition. IFDS recommends using non-Paralympic boats, in a format similar to 2006 FESPIC Games.**

BD

ii) Eurosaf Competitions

WK

It was noted that Wilfried Klein will be in Kiel, Germany on the 9 July 2011 to discuss the Eurolymps, with the objective of inclusion of Single-

Person Keelboat, 2.4mR and Three-Person Keelboat, Sonar and the possible inclusion of the Two-Person Keelboat SKUD18.

It was noted that this would be of particular importance if IFDS is excluded from the World Cup circuit.

iii) Blind Sailing

- To note the expression of interest from Japan to hold a Blind Sailing event in 2013 and designate a Technical Delegate.

Although more discussion will be held in Puerto Rico; Henry Sleutel will draft a proposal to Japan to include both fleet and match racing at the event.

HS

- Appendix CBS.

Modifications on Appendix CBS have been made, Henry Sleutel and David Staley will fine tune this and ask Marianne Middleton to review it.

HS, DS

- Concept for Blind Sailing Events in IFDS RMM Part I.

Work on the concept of Blind Sailing Events were being undertaken.

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(g) IFDS Technical Delegate Document

The IFDS Technical Delegate Document which was written by Henry Sleutel was approved.

**4. IFDS Documents**

(a) IFDS Strategic Plan

The IFDS Executive Committee reviewed the IFDS Strategic Plan, with the help of David Staley and updated deadlines and achievements.

**5. ISAF Documents**

(a) ISAF/IFDS Race Management Policies

It was confirmed that the IFDS Technical Committee should take care of making appropriate changes in IFDS Race Management Manual.

LM, CT

**Decision**

**The IFDS Executive Committee agreed to implement the IFDS Race Management Policies as of the 1 February 2012.**

(b) ISAF Regulation 24.3.1

- i) To note a discussion of ISAF Regulation 24.3.1 which will be effective on the 1st December 2012.

LM

- ii) To note the proposed email to be distributed to MNA's.

HS

The information to be sent to MNA's regarding ISAF Regulation 24.3.1 was discussed. It was agreed that the following steps would be taken:

- Send letters to interested parties;
- prepare the submission before end of July 2011. Get an MNA to propose the submission;
- get as many MNA's and Classes to send a submission to ISAF;
- circulate info to IPC.

## **6. IFDS Equipment Evaluation Commission (EEC)**

It was noted that help was needed for the Equipment Evaluation to take place in Weymouth.

**JT**

The EEC are looking for feedback by the sailors on all of the boats being evaluated.

## **7. Website**

Currently the website [www.ifds.org](http://www.ifds.org) is offline. It was noted that it is important to get this running again.

### **Decision**

**The updating of the website would be progressed straight away.**

**WK**

## **8. IFDS Trophy**

It was agreed that the trophy donated by Stephan Ryott would be called a 'Sportsmanship Trophy' the criteria being fairplay, helpfulness to other competitors, perseverance, or other criteria that the selection group considers relevant.

**LM**

The Trophy would be awarded during the IFDS Combined World Championships, but could take into account Sportsmanship at previous International events.

The selection group shall include the IFDS Executive Committee and the Chair of the IFDS Sailors' Forum; taking information from sailors and Race Officials, or any other appropriate sources.

## **9. Anti-Doping**

Bernard Destrube gave an update on progress with WADA and ISAF.

### **Decision**

**The IFDS Executive Committee approved that the top three SKUD18 crews would be added to the Registered Testing Pool.**

**BD**

## **10. International Paralympic Committee (IPC)**

IPC Athlete Nationality Policy

### **Decision**

**IPC and ISAF policies would be investigated in order to align the IFDS policy.** **BD, JT**

## **11. Meetings**

- (a) 2011 IFDS Annual General Meeting, Puerto Rico

The arrangements for the next IFDS Annual General Meeting, Puerto Rico were confirmed. **LM**

### **Decision**

**A replacement of the Acting Chair of the IFDS Development Committee would be investigated.**

**The representative from Puerto Rico who has been competing at IFDS World Championships on a regular basis would be approached and asked if he would present the IFDS Report to the ISAF Council.**

- (b) Next IFDS Executive Committee Meeting

The date of the next IFDS Executive Committee Meeting is Wednesday 12 October 2011.

- (c) Next IFDS Executive & Committee Chairs Meeting

The date of the next IFDS Executive & Committee Chair Meeting would take place on Wednesday 28 September 2011. **LM**

- (d) IPC General Assembly Motions

This item was discussed and it was felt that IFDS would not be submitting any motions for this meeting. **JT**

## **12. Any other Business**

Wilfried Klein volunteered to explore the possibility of attending the IPC Paralympic Day being held in London on 8 September 2011. **WK**

There being no further business, the meeting closed.

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