The Board met by conference call between 10:00 – 12:00hrs BST on 26 June 2017



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Present:

Kim Andersen – President

Jan Dawson - Vice-President

Gary Jobson - Vice-President

Quanhai Li - Vice-President

W. Scott Perry - Vice-President

Yann Rocherieux – Chairman, Athletes' Commission (in part)

Ana Sanchez del Campo Ferrer – Vice-President

Nadine Stegenwalner – Vice-President

Andy Hunt - Chief Executive Officer

In attendance:

Hugh Chambers - Chief Commercial Officer

Jon Napier – Director of Legal Affairs & Governance

Alastair Fox - Director of Events

Apologies:

Torben Grael - Vice-President

1. Opening of the Meeting

(a) Conflicts of Interest

The Register of Interests was noted and there were no further interests to note.

(b) President's Opening Remarks

The President reported to the Board on his visits to the Match of the 35th America's Cup, a meeting of Group G and the Sailing World Cup Series Final in Santander. He informed the Board of the issues raised at these meetings and other feedback from MNAs. The President reported the following main points arising:

- i) America's Cup: The event had been a great spectacle with numerous new developments in technology for broadcasting, umpiring, event management, and last but not least, development of the foiling generation.
- ii) SWC Final: This was a super event regarding racing, organisation, broadcasting and commercial aspects in general. This year's Final highlighted the need to improve World Sailing's event structure to facilitate strong competitive fleets.
- iii) Issues from MNAs: MNAs had been pointing out the importance for World Sailing to create a truly international organisation in its new home in London. The importance of planning campaigns and development to make the most of the investments needed was raised, as was MNAs concerns regarding national class associations and interference with the rights of MNAs concerning qualification to World Sailing sanctioned events.

The President updated the Board on the Events Committee's review of the recent IOC decisions concerning the quotas for the 2020 Olympic Sailing Competition.

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The Board noted the minutes of its previous meeting.

3. CEO Report

The Board received and discussed the Chief Executive Officer's monthly management report.

The Board noted the success of the 2017 Para World Sailing Championships in Kiel, GER and agreed the need to continue promoting participation as the International Paralympic Committee commences its 2024 review process.

4. May 2017 Management Accounts

The Board reviewed the May 2017 management accounts and reviewed the foreign currency reserves held by World Sailing.

Decision

The Board noted the information provided and requested a list of unpaid MNAs and World Sailing Classes for its next conference call.

5. Nacra 17

The Board discussed and reviewed the recent issues concerning the build quality and delivery of foiling Nacra 17s and noted the recent communications from the Class and manufacturer. The Board noted this issue had direct relevance to the contents of the next Olympic Classes Contract.

6. Legal Update

The Board received a confidential update from the Chief Executive Officer concerning a dispute.

7. Olympic Classes Contract

The Board will review the 2020 – 2024 Olympic Classes Contract by the end of June and intends to communicate the required amendments to the contract thereafter to the parties to the current Contract.

8. 2020 Olympic Sailing Competition

The Director of Events provided a report to the Board on the work of the Events Committee.

The Board discussed the recent quota decision of the IOC and the need to progress the issue in a timely manner in order to communicate decisions to stakeholders.

The Board discussed also the review of the Sailing World Cup.

Decision

The Board Sub-committee is to make an interim report to the full Board and is to liaise with the Events Committee.

9. Any Other Business

The Board received an update from the President on a recent issue concerning status of sailing events in the Crimea.

The Board received an update from the Chairman of the Athletes' Commission concerning the new fins in the RS:X Class and referred the issue for investigation by the Executive Office.

There being no other business, the President closed the meeting.