MINUTES - INTERNATIONAL MEASURERS SUB- COMMITTEE

A Session of International Measurers Sub-Committee of the International Sailing Federation was held at 0800 hours on Sunday 6th November 2005 at the Grand Copthorne Waterfront Hotel, Singapore.



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Present:

David Sprague – Chairman	Dimitris Dimou
Antonio Cardona Espin – Vice-Chairman	Hyo-Kyung Jang
Gunter Ahlers	Heinz Staudt

Observers

John Doerr – PartDavid Kellett – PartDan NowlanJohn GoldsmithPeter CarterKen Hayashi

It was noted with regret that Jim Hartvig-Andersen had passed away in early October.

1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

(a) Minutes

The minutes of the International Measurer's Sub-Committee meeting of 7 November 2004 were noted.

2. INTERNATIONAL MEASURER NOMINATIONS

(a) 2005 Applications

The 2005 applications for International Measurer appointment were received There were 10 new applications - 8 approved, 1 not approved and 1 pending. There were 17 renewals – 2 for 2 yrs, 1 for 1yr, 1 not renewed and 1 pending.

3. TERMS OF REFERENCE

(a) Submission 117-05

The submission was supported after clarification as to the role of the IM vs the Certification and MNA Measurer.

4. RACE OFFICIAL 'COUNTRY'

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(a) <u>Submission 118-05</u>

Submission 118-05 from the Chairman of the Race Officials Committee was supported.

5. RACE OFFICIALS APPOINTMENTS

(a) Submission 123-05

Submission 123-05 from the Austrian Sailing Federation was supported in principle.

6. RACE OFFICIALS REPORTS

(a) <u>Submission 124-05</u>

Submission 124-05 from the Chairman of the Race Officials Committee was supported.

7. REPORTS ON SEMINARS HELD IN 2005

(a) Palma de Mallorca October 2005

Antonio Cardona gave a verbal report on the seminar for MNAs to train instructors for National seminars on Sail Measurement held on 17-18 September in Palma (ESP). It was proposed to introduce the term "ISAF sail measurer". It was recommended that subject to adopting the common syllabus, through MNA training, the status of ISAF sail measurer would be awarded. The PowerPoint presentation and common syllabus will be updated and distributed to MNAs shortly. There was clarification that this was a seminar to train MNA measurers. That the scope was different than the IM mandate. However it is expected that the IM's would be involved in MNA measurement and the would be strong crossover of people.

(b) Singapore 3-4 November 2005

A verbal report was made on the problems of organizing this seminar. It was not held due to insufficient attendance but the material was shared with some of the people that came to Singapore for other meetings.

8. FUTURE IM SEMINARS

(a) Format for future seminars

The Committee discussed the need for different types of seminar for different skill levels of participants. It is also important to help IM's integrate their role with the IJ's, IU's and IRO's as well as event organizers.

(b) Possible tests

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The introduction of written tests prior to awarding IM status due to the class specific nature of the IM appointments has been deferred.

(c) Future plans

It was planned to hold at least one seminar a year.

(i) Measurer's seminar in Miami in January to coincide with the Olympic Classes Regatta.

David Sprague will send out a draft schedule for the next 4 years after he does some analysis of the IM's around the world.

9. BUDGET

(a) Budget Review

The 2006 IMSC Budget was reviewed.

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The following issues were discussed:

The application form is better than before but still requires some better information regarding measurer experience. Dimitis Dimou will draft a new form and circulate it for comment. We need a new one approved for Feb. 1, 2006 for the ISAF office to be able to use.

The cost of Olympic Measuring was noted by Vice President Kellett and we will work to help in this area while sustaining or raising the measurement standards..

David Sprague will draft a letter to the classes to help them understand the need for measurers and how the classes can benefit and assist us in developing new measurers. As well David will draft a working spreadsheet on the IM's and their classes to help us identify our strong and weak areas.

We agreed that we must continue to work with the Equipment Control Committee to help improve the training of measurers both for event and fundamental measurement.

We discussed the need for strong English skills for IM's as we tend to work alone without the numbers of peers that the other International ISAF officials have at a regatta.

We discussed the ISAF Regatta Report and the US SOARS (electronic reporting) system. David will circulate information on both to the committee members and observers.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 0930.

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