Youth World Championship Sub-committee Minutes

The Youth World Championship Sub-committee met at 09:00 – 18:00 hours on Saturday 6 November 2010 at the Divani Caravel Hotel, Athens, Greece

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Present:
Fiona Kidd - Chairman  
Ewa Jodlowska  
Nazli Imre – Vice-President  
Aslihan Kutlu  
Paddy Boyd  
Ralph Roberts  
Mike Dempsey  
Cory Sertl  
Johan Devocht  
Susanne Ward  
Nicholas Hutton

Apologies:  
Esperanza Pérez-Crespo  
Andrew Sanders  
Jose Carlos Massapina

1. Opening of the Meeting
The Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed everyone to the Youth World Sub-Committee meeting in Athens.

The Chairman introduced Tim Sewell, Head of Marketing, Events and Training Department to Committee. Tim introduced himself and gave a progress report on Media and Marketing at the ISAF Secretariat.

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting
(a) Minutes
The Chairman noted the minutes of the Youth World Championship Sub-committee meeting of Saturday 7 November 2009. The minutes can be downloaded at www.sailing.org/meetings.

(b) Minutes Matters Arising
The ISAF Prince Henry the Navigator Trophy was awarded to the winner in the Open High Performance Dinghy event.

It was noted the second RYA Trophy needs to be found.

There were no other matters arising not covered elsewhere on this agenda.
3. **Events Committee November 2009 and Mid Year 2010 Meeting**

The Youth worlds Sub-committee received a verbal report of any issues arising from the Events Committee meetings in November 2009 and May 2010, not elsewhere covered by this agenda.

4. **The ISAF Youth Sailing World Championship 2010 – Istanbul, Turkey**

   (a) **Technical Delegate Report**

   The Committee received a report by the ISAF Technical Delegate. It was noted the championship was an excellent venue and was of a very high standard.

   331 competitors from 59 nations attended the event.

   As in previous years the event was only possible through the vital support of the manufacturers which provided the equipment free of charge. The Chairman thanked all of the suppliers for their outstanding support. The Chairman also thanked the support of VOLVO as this was their 11th year as the title sponsor. It was also noted that VOLVO were no longer sponsoring any further Youth World Games at this stage.

   ISAF supported the participation of 24 sailors from 11 nations through the ISAF Athlete Participation Programme.

   (b) **Organiser’s Report**

   The Committee received a very thorough presentation from Ilker Bayindir, Principal Race Officer and Guleden Attogan, the Events Director. They also produced very substantial media reports of the event for ISAF. The Chairman thanked them for their excellent written report which will be useful for the planning of future events.

   The Chairman thanked Nazli Imre and the Turkish Sailing Federation for their outstanding contribution in hosting and organizing the 2010 VOLVO Youth sailing ISAF World Championship.

   (c) **Team Leaders Meeting**

   The Committee received a progress report from the ISAF Competitions Manager on the Team Leaders and Coaches Forum. Unfortunately the Forum could not be held at the scheduled time as the sailors were very late getting of the water. A smaller Forum was held the following morning after the daily briefing.

   (d) **Championship Survey**

   The Committee discussed the championship Survey report. The results were mixed this year. There were very good results from the Athlete Participation Programme. It was felt that the lunches and food in general needed to be improved. For the first time the area of the Learning and Development did not score very well.

5. **Event and Strategy**

   (a) **Event Strategy**

   The Committee discussed the Event Strategy paper. Where do we see this event in 2016 on participation, equipment and competition format? A small Working Party was formed to work on this and report back to the committee by 1 April 2011 at the latest so that the Chairman can report to the Events Committee meeting in May 2011. The following Committee members agreed to be on this Working Party: Coryl Sertl, Nick
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Hutton, Mike Dempsey, Paddy Boyd and Esperanza Pérez-Crespo. Any submissions required will have to be prepared and ready for the November 2011 Conference. Any submissions resulting from this work will have to be prepared and ready for the 2011 November Annual Conference by the 1st August deadline.

(b) Equipment and Analysis

The Committee discussed the Equipment Situation Analysis and Recommendation paper. It was felt that the paper was too specific to the 2010 event, however, the principle of rotating boats would be implemented in 2011 and stated in the NOR which is required in 2011.

(c) ISAF Youth Coach

The Committee discussed the future roles and responsibility of the ISAF Youth Coach. As the APP Programme has grown and the size of the event has grown in numbers, the job of the ISAF coach needs to be split into two. It was felt that we should now be looking to have one ISAF Coach to debrief all of the sailors in the evening and have 2 to 3 APP athletes and other sailors who do not have a coach at the event. As Ralph Roberts is a member of the Youth World Trust Committee he would approach the Trust at their meeting to discuss this situation.

Mike Dempsey advised the RS:X Class they would like to donate a coach for the RS:X class to coach the boards free of charge. It was agreed that a job description should now be prepared for the ISAF Coach. Paddy Boyd and Ralph Roberts agreed to write the job description for both positions. It was noted that all Coaches must have excellent communication skills in English and a second language would be an asset. The ISAF Coach and APP Coaches need to be appointed as soon as possible.

(d) Conclusions and Implementation

See item 5 (a).


The Committee discussed updating the Events Manual. A Working Party was formed to update the Events Manual to be included in the new year. The following Committee members agreed to be on this Working Party: Susanne Ward, Aslihan Kutlu, Johan Devocht, José Massapina and Ewa Jodlowska.

7. The ISAF Youth Sailing World Championship 2011 – Zadar, Croatia

(a) Progress report

The Committee received a progress report from Neven Baran on behalf of the Organisers on the preparations for the 2011 Championship. The Committee raised concerns as there was no representation from the Organizing Committee. It would have been beneficial for the 2011 Organizers too hear the 2010 report in addition to the committees concerns regarding the event to date, particularly due to some significant changes that were made. Unfortunately Neven Baran was not able to answer any specific questions as he is not on the organizing committee.

It was felt more information was required regarding accommodation, travel and prices. The price of the accommodation seemed very high. MNA’s should be advised to book accommodation as soon as possible if they plan to send sailors/teams early to the venue.

Also, more information was required on tracking.
The Chairman asked Nevan Baran to pass on their thanks to the Organizers for all of their efforts and contributions and to keep in contact with the ISAF Secretariat on the development of the event in terms of operational and sponsorship aspects of the championships.

(b) Notice of Race

The Notice of Race is still being amended with a goal to being published by 1 December 2010.

(c) Any Other Matters Arising.

The Committee felt the ISAF Competitions Manager should make a site visit as soon as possible and preferable before Christmas. This would help the ISAF Competitions Manager assess any issues and to get a better idea of the venue. It is also recommended that Tim Sewell, Head of Marketing, Events and Training Department should make a visit at the same time.

8. The ISAF Youth Sailing World Championship 2012 – Dun Laoghaire, Ireland

(a) Progress Report

The Committee received a presentation and report on the contractual arrangements and preparation for the event from Brian Craig of the Organizing Committee.

The Committee were impressed with the progress of this Championship and felt very confident that this will be an excellent event.

(b) Site Visit

The Committee received a report from the ISAF Competitions Manager on his site visit to Dun Laoghaire, Ireland on 2 September 2010. Everything was going to plan and it was felt that Dun Laoghaire will host an outstanding championship.

(c) There were no other matters arising.

9. The ISAF Youth Sailing World Championship 2013 – Limassol, Cyprus

(a) Progress Report

The Committee receive a presentation from the Organizing Committee on the preparation of the 2013 Championship. Preparations are going very well. They are still considering where to hold the opening and closing ceremonies. The Organizing Committee would like to thank the Turkish Sailing Federation for all of their help so far in the planning of the event in 2013.

(b) Site Visit

The Committee received a report from the ISAF Competitions Manager on his site visit to Limassol, Cyprus on 11 – 13 October 2010. It was noted that the concept of the venue and the overall plan in hosting the championship were consistent with the bid document.

(c) Equipment

*The Youth Worlds Sub-Committee recommends to the Events Committee to approve the following list of equipment to be used for the 2013 ISAF Youth Sailing World Championship as follows:*

- Boy’s One Person Dinghy – Laser Radial
- Girl’s One Person Dinghy – Laser Radial
- Boy’s Two Person Dinghy – 420
- Girl’s Two Person Dinghy – 420
- Boy’s Windsurfer – RS:X with 8.5m² sail
- Girl’s Windsurfer – RS:X with 8.5m² sail
- Open Multihull – Sirena SL 16
- Open High Performance Dinghy – 29er

(d) There were no other matters arising.

10. Future Championships, 2014 and Beyond

(a) Bids 2014 and beyond

The Committee received bids from the Israel Yachting Association for Caesarea and the Federação Portuguesa de Vela for Tavira.

The Committee received presentations in addition to the bid documents from representatives of the two bidders. Bids were of an excellent quality and met the criteria in the bid document.

*Recommendation to the Events Committee*

The Youth Worlds Sub-Committee recommends to the Events Committee to approve Tavira, Portugal as the host for the 2014 ISAF Youth Sailing World Championships subject to a successful site visit and satisfactory contractual arrangements.

The Youth World Championship Sub-committee are concerned that the 2014 Youth World Championship will be the fifth consecutive event held in Europe. In 2015 if the opportunity arises we need to look at hosting the event outside Europe.

*Vote: Unanimous*

The Committee invited Israel to bid again to host the championship in the future.

(b) Expression of Interest for 2015

The Committee noted interest for future events from the following countries: South Africa, India, Malaysia and New Zealand.

11. Submissions

(a) Submission 058-10

The Committee consider submission 058-10 from the Royal Spanish Sailing Federation about the Definition, Youth, Youth and Senior – Clarification and Equalisation of Age for Classes

*Recommendations to the Events Committee: Reject*

The Youth world Championship Sub-committee has defined Youth as being under 19.

(b) Submission 120-10

The Committee considered submission 120-10 from the Swedish Sailing Federation about ISAF Youth World Championships – Equipment for Boy and Girl Classes.

*Recommendation to the Events Committee: Reject*
Support in principle. The equipment has already been selected for 2012 and 2013. The Youth World Sub-committee Future Strategy Working Party is considering the classes for future events.

12. 2010 Youth Olympic Games

The Chairman gave a report on the 2010 Youth Olympic Games. The Sailor’s, Coaches and IOC were amazed how fantastic the event was. It was an amazing experience for the sailors. This event will definitely have an impact on future ISAF Youth Worlds in terms of increased numbers of competitors and nations.

13. Annual Report

The Committee noted the Chairman’s will make a report to the Chairman of the Events Committee on the activities of the Youth World Championship Sub-committee for the period 1 January 2010 to date.

14. Any Other Business

Prior to the discussion on Event Strategy, Cory Sertl a member of the Olympic Commission gave an excellent overview of the report to help the committee frame the discussion of events strategy for future ISAF Youth World events.

There being no further business the meeting was closed.