The Olympic Classes Sub-committee met at 09:30 – 13:30 hours on Friday 4 November 2011 at the Caribe Hilton Hotel, San Juan, Puerto Rico.

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**Present:**

- Corinne Rolland-McKenzie – Executive Director (Finn) – Acting Chairman on behalf of Malav Shroff
- Liz Baylis – Women's Match Racing
- Alberto Predieri – Vice-President
- Nino Shmueli - Vice-President – (470)
- Rory Ramsden – Chief Operating Officer (RS:X)
- Luissa Smith – Class Manager (470)
- Mike Dempsey – President (RS:X)
- Claude Bonanni - (Star)
- Jerelyn Biehl - (49er)
- Helen-Mary Wilkes – ICC Representative

**Apologies:**

- Malav Shroff – Chairman (49er)
- Jeff Martin – Vice-Chairman (Laser & Laser Radial)

1. **Opening of the Meeting**

Corinne Rolland-McKenzie advised the Olympic Sub-committee that the Chairman would not be attending this meeting. It was agreed by the Chairman of the Olympic Classes Sub-committee that Corinne Rolland-McKenzie would Chair this meeting on his behalf. The Acting Chairman then went onto introduce the agenda to the Olympic Classes Sub-committee and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

   (a) Minutes

   The Sub-committee noted the minutes of the Olympic Classes Sub-committee meeting of Friday 5 November 2010. The minutes can be downloaded at www.sailing.org/meetings.

   (b) Minutes Matters Arising

   There were no matters arising not covered elsewhere on this agenda.

3. **Class & Women’s Match Racing Reports**

Due to other priority issues for discussion the Class verbal progress report were not given to the Olympic Classes Sub-committee.

4. **2012 Olympic Sailing Competition**

The Olympic Classes Sub-committee received a verbal progress report from the ISAF Events Manager.
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It was noted that all tickets for the sailing events had sold out and there will be 4,600 spectators per day at the Nothe venue. The ISAF Events Manager reported that the Weymouth & Portland International Regatta 2011 was a great success. Some new concepts were trialled; course rotation and rotation of fleets through the Nothe medal race course. It was reported that the race management was of a very high quality. It was noted that the event coverage and availability of reports and results was disappointing and that more should be done by ISAF to ensure full coverage of Test Events.

5. 2016 Olympic Sailing Competition

The Olympic Classes Sub-committee received a verbal progress report from the ISAF Events Manager. It was noted that the Rio organisers had been in contact with ISAF over the schedule and format of the 2016 Olympic Sailing Competition. The ISAF Events Manager confirmed that the Rio bid book stated that there would be grandstand seating for 10,000 spectators adjacent to the medal race course.

6. ISAF Sailing World Cup

(a) 2012 – Report from AF, documents, MR format, etc

The Olympic Classes Sub-committee received a verbal progress report from the ISAF Events Manager. Work is continuing on the standard documentation: Notice of Race, Sailing Instructions, policy documents, etc. It was also noted that there was good cooperation from the event organisers and the ISAF officials appointed to the events. With regards to the match racing events in 2012 it was agreed that the entry deadlines should be as early as possible to help the event organisers plan for the events and agree the appropriate event format with ISAF; it was noted that it was unlikely that there would be a full quota of 24 teams at the European events for Women’s Match Racing.

(b) 2013 – Implementation update, venue progress, etc

The Olympic Classes Sub-committee received a verbal progress report from the ISAF Events Manager. It was noted that bids had been received from the Americas, Asia, Europe, the Middle East and Oceania. It was also noted that The ISAF Executive Committee would be announcing the successful venues shortly.

7. 2011 ISAF Sailing World Championships

The Olympic Classes Sub-committee received a verbal progress report from the ISAF Events Manager. It was noted that successful Test Event had taken place in November 2010 and that both ISAF and Perth 2011 had learnt a great deal. The ISAF Events Manager reported that all the plans were in place for the Championships and that the documents and policies in place for the event would be published shortly. The Olympic Classes Sub-committee advised they would need to receive their Classes payments by December 31 at the latest. The ISAF Events Manager advised he would ask the Organizers of the 2011 ISAF Sailing World Championships to make the payments to the Classes as soon as possible after the final entry deadline of 18 November.

8. 2011 Combined Europeans

The Olympic Classes Sub-committee held another meeting on Tuesday at 15:00 hours. The classes reported on the combined European Championships in Helsinki (with the exception of the RS:X men and women events). The interest for the classes and sailors to organize such an event in the future was discussed. A verbal presentation was received from Aarhus for 2015, and a printed presentation will be sent by the Organizing Committee. The classes
agreed to investigate a proper way to receive bids for future events based on event guidelines

9. **2014 ISAF Sailing World Championship**

The Olympic Classes Sub-committee received a verbal progress report from the ISAF Events Manager. It was noted that ISAF and Santander had worked hard to finalise the contract which would be signed shortly.

The ISAF Events Manager confirmed that the Organizing would work with the Classes on media coverage and PR, and cover costs for a class appointed PR representative

10. **Olympic Classes Results and Sailor IDs**

The Olympic Classes Sub-committee received a verbal progress report on the Olympic Classes results and the ISAF website. The ISAF Events Administrator advised the Olympic Classes Sub-Committee that ISAF has introduced a results package, further details of which will be sent to the Classes. It was agreed each Olympic Classes Sub would work with both ISAF and the Organizers of these event to use the package which will be sent to all of the relevant Organizers concerned.

11. **ISAF Marketing**

The Olympic Classes Sub-committee received a written report from the ISAF Head of Marketing and at the second meeting session on Tuesday the ISAF media and marketing especially for the 2011 ISAF Worlds were discussed with the ISAF Head of Marketing Departing.

The classes emphasized the need for ISAF and the Olympics Classes to engage more with the classes to work together on media output.

It was agreed that a member of the Olympic Classes Sub-committee will be involved with the discussions with ISAF and Santander to liaise between the Organizers, ISAF and the classes.

As a general principle for Olympic Class events, such as the World Cup, the Classes raised the question of more co-operation and co-ordination in event media coverage, as media output was often duplicated. Classes should be consulted more frequently as they usually achieve better and greater coverage for their own events.

12. **Submissions**

The Olympic Classes Sub-committee noted these submissions and made the following recommendations to the ISAF Classes Committee:

(a) Submission 002-11

The Olympic Classes Sub-committee recommends to approve Submission 002-11 from the Chairman of the Equipment Committee about Class Rules Sub-committee – Terms of Reference - Regulation 6.4.5 and Regulation 10.11 with the following note:

The Olympic Classes Sub-committee would like to receive details of the Class Rules Sub-committee policies.

(b) Submission 008-11

The Olympic Classes Sub-committee recommends to approve Submission 008-11 – from the Executive Committee about Membership Fee to be paid to National Class Associations of ISAF Classes - Regulation 10.6 with the following amendment:

10.6
Use its best efforts to ensure that the National Association is affiliated to the relevant ISAF Member National Authority. Class/Owners Associations shall:

(I) Shall require that the individual boat owner(s) and/or the sailor(s), as prescribed by the relevant Class Rules, shall be members of their relevant National Class Association, if any, before racing, and

(ii) May annually charge, or cause their relevant National Class Associations to charge, as appropriate, the boat owner(s) and/or the sailor(s) only in accordance with the relevant Class Rules or regulation(s) of that ISAF Class.

And that the Constitution Committee review the wording of 10.6(ii) to ensure clarity.

(c) Submission 009-11

The Olympic Classes Sub-committee recommends to approve Submission 009-11 from the Executive Committee about SAF Advertising Code - Regulation 20.2.3.1 – Authorization to Display Advertising.

(d) Submission 011-11

The Olympic Classes Sub-committee recommends to approve Submission 011-11 from the Executive Committee about ISAF Advertising Code Regulation 20.7.1 - Manufacturer’s Marks.

(e) Submission 036-11

The Olympic Classes Sub-committee recommends to reject Submission 036-11 from the Chairman of the Development and Youth Committee about -Guidance on Youth Age Ranges - Definition

The Olympic Classes Sub-committee recommends that this submission be rejected on the basis of:

i) The work being undertaken by the Events Committee: ISAF should not introduce standard age limits for youth or junior classes. The diversity of classes and age limits caters better for the variations in physiques and “growth spurts” of young sailors around the world.

ii) That as required by the Council decision on Submission 058-10 in November 2010 that “the further investigation” on age limits is undertaken before any further submissions, including Submission 036-11, are considered.

(f) Submission 051-11

The Olympic Classes Sub-committee recommends to approve Submission 051-11 from the Chairmen of the Events Committee, Equipment Committee and ISAF Classes Committee about ISAF Classes Regulations - Restructure Regulations 10 and 25.

The Olympic Classes Sub-committee support the submission, but notes possible ambiguity over the wording in 10.4(b) (paragraph under the table), which should be reviewed.

(g) Submission 054-11

The Olympic Classes Sub-committee recommends to approve Submission 054-11 from the Royal Yachting Association about In-House Certification – ISAF Regulation 10.5(h).

The Olympic Classes Sub-committee approves the submission in principle.
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(h) Submission 110-11

The Olympic Classes Sub-committee to approve Submission 110-11 from the Chairman of the Events Committee about ISAF World Sailing Rankings – Regulation 27.1,

The Olympic Classes Sub-committee approves the principles of the submission, but would like to discuss some specific details with the Sail Rankings Sub-committee prior to final submission approval

Recommendations not based on submissions

The Olympic Classes Sub-committee notes that with regards to Submission 006-11 the Athlete’s Commission was created as a response to the requirements of the International Olympic Committee and therefore relates only to the Olympic Classes.

The OCSC would like to see clarification over which events 132-11 applies to. For example, there is concern that if this submission extends down to every Olympic Class graded event the cost implications for event organizers are significant. Reason 3 implies that the regulation would only apply to a very small number of events, but the OCSC understanding is that this regulation change would apply to a significant number of events as detailed in regulation 25.

The Olympic Classes Sub-committee does not support the standardisation of Rule 42 as set out in Submission 159-11.

13. Any Other Business

It was noted that the Olympic Classes have great concerns over the amount of officials required at their World Championships and that the costs were a serious burden. RS:X asked about the possibility to decrease the jury on site to 3 instead of 5 non appealable hearings. The ISAF Events Manager confirmed that the Events Committee was evaluating formats for the 2016 Olympics and the numbers of race officials required in some classes would be reviewed

The Olympic Classes Sub-committee were asked to confirm their future World Championships date as soon as possible. It was noted that there should be no clashes between the Sailing World Cup events and that ISAF should work with both the Classes and event organisers to ensure this.

There being no further business the meeting was closed.