The World Sailing Board met by conference call between 11:00 to 13:30 BST on Wednesday 11 November 2020

Present:

Quanhai Li - President

Ozlem Akdurak – Vice President

Jo Aleh – Chair, Athletes' Commission

Philip Baum – Vice President

Tomasz Chamera – Vice President

Sarah Kenny – Vice President

Yann Rocherieux – Vice President

Cory Sertl – Vice President

Marcus Spillane – Vice President

In Attendance:

David Graham – Chief Executive Officer

Raksha Patel – Finance Director

Kendall Harris – Director of Legal & Governance

1. Opening of the Meeting

(a) President's Opening Remarks

The President welcomed everyone to the meeting and congratulated the Vice Presidents on their electoral results and subsequent appointment. The President noted that he had received many messages of congratulations from the international sporting community. He went on to comment on the wealth of knowledge and experience on the World Sailing new Board of Directors, and is very much looking forward to work with them. He directed that although we may not agree on all decisions, it is important that we have unity outside once a decision is made.

(b) Apologies for Absence and Declarations of Interest

No apologies for absence were received.

The Board noted that members had declared their interests as part of their election packs, the CEO requested that members should email any additional conflicts to the board secretary – who will compile a World Sailing's Board register of interests.

No further interests declared.

2. Meet and Greet for Board Members

Each Board member and the CEO gave a brief overview of their background and experience in sailing, as well as their priorities for World Sailing over the next 4 years.

3. Meet and Greet for SMT Members

Each member of the Senior Management Team gave a brief overview of their background, experience at World Sailing and their team's immediate priorities for the last quarter of 2020 the first quarter of 2021.

The Finance Director gave a brief overview of the management accounts for September and the draft budget for the 2020 – 2024 quad.

The Director of Legal and Governance gave a brief overview of the current legal and disciplinary cases.

4. Company Structure

The Director of Legal and Governance gave a brief presentation on the entities within the World Sailing corporate structure.

5. Board Charter

(a) The Board undertook to review and update (if necessary) the Board Charter.

Decision

The Executive Office will work with Philip Baum to prepare an updated version for the Board's consideration.

(b) The Board noted the Expenses Policy.

(c) The Board noted the Media Policy.

(d) The CEO noted that Board members are not covered by the company's existing travel insurance policy, but the Executive Office has already begun obtaining quotes for cover.

6. Next meetings

(a) The Board noted the date of the next meeting would be Wednesday 18 November 2020 and agreed to bring the meeting time forward by one hour to 10am (GMT).

(b) The Board noted the draft calendar of meetings for 2021.

7. Any other business

(a) The Board noted that following his appointed as Vice President, Yann Rocherieux has resigned as Chair of the Athletes Commission. The Board welcomed Jo Aleh, and congratulated her on her appointment as the new Chair of the Athletes Commission.

(b) The Board noted that the Constitution Committee has been requested to review the constitutions submitted in respect of the iQFoil Class Association applications, and that an electronic vote will be required as soon as possible.

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