

Constitution Committee Minutes

The Constitution Committee met by Blue Jeans videoconference
between 09:15 – 10:45 hrs UTC on Tuesday 26 October 2021



Please refer to the World Sailing website www.sailing.org for the details of the submissions on the agenda and referred to in these minutes.

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Present:

David Tillett (AUS) - Chair

Sarah Treseder (GBR) – Vice Chair

Peter Hall (CAN)

Hiromu (Mochie) Mochizuki (JPN)

Jevan Tan (SGP)

Andrie Kypridemou (CYP)

Ana Jasna Gamulin (SLO)

Ashley Tobin (USA)

Ute Reisinger (AUT)

Fabio Mazzoni (ITA)

Juan-Antonio Curbelo-Cabrera (ESP)

Balazs Hajdu (HUN)

Philip Baum - Vice-President

In Attendance:

David Graham – Chief Executive Officer

James Devine – Legal Officer

George Cottle – External Counsel

Rowena Farrugia – Business Operations manager

Apologies:

Philips Daniels (RSA)

Did Not Attend:

Weidong Liu (CHN)

1. Opening of the Meeting

Welcome from the Chairman.

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting, including observers, and noted the apologies.

The Chairman asked for any conflicts of interest to be declared. No new general conflicts were declared.

The Chairman noted that there would be discussion of Submissions in the order that they appeared in the confidential paper prepared by David Tillett and circulated to the Committee prior to the meeting.

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

(a) Minutes

The minutes of the meetings of 26 October and 28 October 2020 were noted.

(b) Matters Arising

Constitution Committee Agenda (cont.)

The Committee received two Urgent Interpretation requests from the Race Officials Committee. The Committee reviewed the Interpretation requests and approved the drafted Interpretation.

3. Submissions

- (a) To consider and give an opinion to Council on the following submissions for which the Board is the Reporting Committee:

- i) Submission 001-21

Opinion: Reject

Matter should be considered in the proposed governance review.

- ii) Submission 002-21

Opinion: Approve with the following amendments:

Subject to policy.

2024 Olympic Events and Equipment

Men's Windsurfer – ~~iQFoil~~ iQFOiL

Women's Windsurfer – ~~iQFoil~~

Men's Kite – IKA Formula Kite

Women's Kite – IKA Formula Kite

Men's One Person Dinghy - ~~Laser~~ ILCA 7

Women's One Person Dinghy - ~~Laser Radial~~ ILCA 6

Mixed Two Person Dinghy - 470

Men's Skiff - 49er Women's Skiff – 49erFX

Mixed Two Person Multihull – Nacra 17

25.13.4 The equipment for all regional games shall be chosen from the following classes:

- Windsurfing: Funboard, Formula, Mistral, RS:X, ~~iQFoil~~

- Kiteboarding: Formula Kite

- Single-Handed Dinghy: Finn, ~~Laser~~ ILCA 7, ~~Laser Radial~~ ILCA 6, Sunfish, Byte, Zoom, Europe

- Multi-Crewed Dinghy: 29er, 420, 470, Fireball, Flying Dutchman, Lightning, Snipe, 49er, 49erFX

- Keelboat: Etchells, Flying Fifteen, H-Boat, J-22, J-24, Soling, Yngling, Sonar

Constitution Committee Agenda (cont.)

- Multihull: Hobie 16, Hobie Tiger, Tornado, Nacra 17

iii) Submission 003-21

Opinion: Approve

Subject to policy.

iv) Submission 007-21

Opinion: Reject

Concept warrants consideration and may be incorporated into the proposed governance review.

v) Submission 008-21

Opinion: Approve with the following amendment:

Subject to policy. References to meters “m” is already included elsewhere in the regulation (Regulation 27.2.3(d))

The table below are the changes to the grading criteria for graded events proposed in this submission:

Event Grade	2 - O	1 - O	2 - W	1 - W
Boats General	6.8m 5.9m	6.8m 5.9m	5.9	5.9

vi) Submission 009-21 - WITHDRAWN

vii) Submission 010-21

Opinion: Approve with the following amendments:

Subject to policy.

2024 Olympic Events and Equipment

Men's Windsurfer – ~~iQFoil~~

Women's Windsurfer – ~~iQFoil~~

~~Mixed Kite – IKA Formula Kite~~

Men's Kite – IKA Formula Kite

Women's Kite – IKA Formula Kite

Men's One Person Dinghy – ~~Laser~~ ILCA 7

Women's One Person Dinghy - ~~Laser Radial~~ ILCA 6

~~Mixed Two Person Keelboat Offshore –~~

Mixed Two Person Dinghy – 470

Men's Skiff - 49er Women's Skiff – 49erFX

Mixed Two Person Multihull – Nacra 17

viii) Submission 011-21

Constitution Committee Agenda (cont.)

Opinion: Approve with the following amendments:

Subject to policy. The Committee recommended the following amendment if Submission 002-21 is approved by Council (incorporating the name change and policy of that Submission).

24.5.3 The following events, classes and equipment shall be included in the programme of the Championships:

- (a) Male One Person Dinghy – ~~Laser Radial~~ **ILCA 6**
Female One Person Dinghy – ~~Laser Radial~~ **ILCA 6**
Male/Mixed Two Person Dinghy – 420
Female Two Person Dinghy – 420
Male Windsurfer – RS:X (8.5m rig) or Techno 293 Plus (8.5m rig) Female Windsurfer – RS:X (8.5m rig) or Techno 293 Plus (8.5m rig)
Male Skiff – 29er Female Skiff – 29er
Mixed Multihull – Nacra 15
~~Mixed Kite – Formula Kite~~
Male Kite – Formula Kite
Female Kite – Formula Kite

- i) Submission 012-21

Opinion: Approve

Subject to policy.

- ii) Submission 013-21

Opinion: Approve with the following amendments:

Subject to policy. The Committee recommended the following amendment if Submission 002-21 is approved by Council (incorporating the name change and policy of that Submission).

- (a) Male One Person Dinghy – ~~Laser Radial~~ **ILCA 6**
Female One Person Dinghy – ~~Laser Radial~~ **ILCA 6**
Male/Mixed Two Person Dinghy - 420 Female
Two Person Dinghy - 420
Male Windsurfer – RS:X (8.5m rig), or Techno 293 Plus (8.5m rig), **or Youth iQFOiL (with 8.0m rig)**
Female Windsurfer – RS:X (8.5m rig), or Techno 293 Plus (8.5m rig), **or Youth iQFOiL (with 8.0m rig)**
Male Skiff – 29er Female Skiff – 29er
Mixed Multihull – Nacra 15
Mixed One Person Kiteboard – TBC (with effect from the 2021 Championships)

- iii) Submission 014-21 - WITHDRAWN

Constitution Committee Agenda (cont.)

iv) Submission 015-21

Opinion: Approve with the following amendments:

Subject to policy. The Committee recommended the amendment to “Laser” and “Laser Radial” if Submission 002-21 is approved by Council (incorporating the name change and policy of that Submission).

2024 Olympic Events and Equipment Event

<u>Event</u>	<u>Equipment</u>
Men's Windsurfer — iQFoil	iQFoil iQFOiL
Women's Windsurfer — iQFoil	iQFoil iQFOiL
Mixed Kite — IKA Formula Kite	
<u>Men's Kite</u>	<u>IKA Formula Kite</u>
<u>Women's Kite</u>	<u>IKA Formula Kite</u>
Men's One Person Dinghy — Laser	Laser ILCA 7
Women's One Person Dinghy — Laser Radial	Laser Radial ILCA 6
Mixed Two Person Keelboat Offshore —	
Men's Skiff — 49er	<u>49er</u>
Women's Skiff — 49erFX	<u>49erFX</u>
Mixed Two Person Dinghy — 470	<u>470</u>
Mixed Two Person Multihull — Nacra 17	<u>Nacra 17</u>

v) Submission 017-21

Opinion: Approve

Subject to policy.

vi) Submission 018-21

Opinion: Reject

The proposal contains mandatory objectives that do not seem to satisfactorily address the reasons put forward in support of the submission, and in particular *Reason 2*.

Some of the mandatory strategic objectives proposed are too broad, subjective and open to interpretation, which may cause considerable difficulty in applying such criteria, and as such are not appropriate for regulation.

vii) Submission 019-21

Opinion: Approve

Subject to policy.

viii) Submission 022-21

Opinion: Approve

Subject to policy.

ix) Submission 023-21

Opinion: Approve

Subject to policy.

4. Working Parties

Constitution Committee Agenda (cont.)

The Committee received verbal reports from the following Working Parties:

- (a) Membership Working Party
- (b) Submission Working Party
- (c) Gender Neutral Terminology Working Party

The World Sailing Legal Department shall bring the amendments regarding gender-neutral language in the Regulations as a housekeeping submission to the next available meeting (2022 Midyear meeting).

5. Constitution & Regulations

- (a) The Committee reviewed its eight interpretations for the 2021 period.

6. Annual General Meeting

The Committee noted the agenda of the Annual General Meeting.

7. Annual Report

The Committee received the Chair's report to Council covering the period 1 January 2021 to 31 December 2021.

8. Any Other Business

The Chair thanked James Devine for his work during his time at World Sailing.

The Vice Chair explained that the WS Regulations require Constitution Committee to undertake a review of Council Groupings every four years, using information gained from a Member Survey, and to recommend any amendments arising from the review to Council. This work was substantially completed in 2018, but was put on hold pending the outcomes from the Governance Review. In light of the time elapsed since this analysis was completed, and the fact that no immediate Governance changes are in prospect, the WS Office should now undertake the necessary survey of MNAs order to collate the background data to complete the review of Council Groupings.

The Chair noted that the meeting on Thursday, 28 October 2021 will not be going ahead unless specifically notified by him or the office.