The Events Committee met at 09:30 – 18:00 on 1 November at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, Sarasota, Florida, USA

1. Opening of the Meeting

Update from the Committee Chair.

The Events Committee Chair opened the meeting.

Declaration of Conflicts of Interest.

It was noted that Sofia Bekatorou was no longer on the Nacra 17 Class Executive.

- It was noted that Takao Otani was a Laser / Laser Radial manufacturer / supplier.
- It was noted that Ben Remocker was representing the Olympic Classes.

2. Minutes

The minutes of the Events Committee meeting of 12 June 2017 (circulated and approved after the meeting) were approved. The minutes can be downloaded at www.sailing.org/meetings.

Minutes Matters Arising.
There were no matters arising.

3. **Update from the Board**

To Committee noted the Board minutes from their meetings since last the Events Committee meeting.

It was noted that the key topics discussed included the:

- Offshore Worlds
- Anti-trust cases
- Equipment decisions for 2024 Olympic Games
- Appointments for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games
- The future Event Strategy

The Committee also noted the two urgent submissions from the Board – 037-18 and 058-18.

4. **World Sailing Event Strategy: 2021 - 2028**

The Committee received a report from the Event Strategy Working Party.

The Committee reviewed the following Submission and made a recommendation to the Council:

(a) Submission 038-18 from US Sailing regarding World Cup Series & Olympic Class World Championships – Integrated Calendar.

**Recommendation to Council: Defer (Unanimous)**

The Event Strategy WP paper was reviewed by the Events Committee. The Events Committee agreed that the Event Strategy WP should also consider Submission 038-18 in its work. In addition, the Events Committee acknowledged the establishment of a Calendar Working Party to work with the Events Strategy WP to provide a full events strategy recommendation for the 2019 Mid-Year meeting.

The Calendar Working Party Events members will be: Ben Remocker (Chair), Gary Bodie, Mark Turnbull and Yann Rocherieux.

The Committee reviewed a paper from the Olympic Manager on electronic officiating.

The Committee reviewed the following Submission and make a recommendation to the Council:

(a) Submission 111-18 from the Chairman of the Equipment Committee regarding Onboard Technology - Equipment.

**Recommendation to Council: Approve (For 15, Abstain 1).**

5. **2024 Olympic Games**

To review the Event decisions made at the 2018 Mid-Year meeting.

Submission 037-18 from the Board regarding events at the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition – Mixed Two Person Offshore Keelboat Event.

**The Submission was proposed by Sophie Tedin and seconded by Sofia Bekatorou.**

The Chairman summarised the 2024 Olympic Games event decisions made by the Council at the 2018 Mid-Year meeting. It was noted that in February 2018 the Council had approved the recommendation from the Events Committee to place 5 events under review and maintain 5 events.
Retained | Under Review
---|---
Men's One Person Dinghy | Men's Windsurfer
Women's One Person Dinghy | Women's Windsurfer
Men's Skiff | Men's One Person Dinghy Heavyweight
Women's Skiff | Men's Two Person Dinghy
Mixed Multihull | Women’s Two Person Dinghy

The Chairman then summarised the work of the 2024 Events & Equipment Working party and the report that was presented at the 2018 Mid-Year meeting.

It was noted that the Events Committee made the following recommendation for the events of the 2024 Olympic Games:

Retained | Under Review
---|---
Men's One Person Dinghy | Men's Windsurfer Combined
Women's One Person Dinghy | Women's Windsurfer Combined
Men's Skiff | Mixed Team Kiteboard
Women's Skiff | Men’s One Person Dinghy Short Course
Mixed Multihull | Women's One Person Dinghy Short Course

The Events Committee noted the Council decision at the 2018 Mid-Year Meeting:

Retained | Under Review
---|---
Men's One Person Dinghy | Men's Windsurfer
Women's One Person Dinghy | Women's Windsurfer
Men's Skiff | Mixed One Person Dinghy
Women's Skiff | Mixed Two Person Dinghy
Mixed Multihull | Mixed Kite

It was noted that the Council had approved 4 mixed events, not 2. The Committee noted that the Mixed One Person Dinghy was not an event that the Events Committee had considered as an option and that it appeared to be supported at Council because it created the possibility for all current equipment to be retained.

The Committee then debated Submission 037-18 and the Council decision from the 2018 Mid-Year meeting.

The Chairman noted that some members of the Events Committee have been subject to inappropriate communications and commentary in connection with their work on the Committee. Some Committee members can also be put in a difficult position because of their obligation under the World Sailing regulations to provide their input in the interests of the sport worldwide and, therefore, not nationally biased. After noting the desirability of transparency and the need to ensure Committee members are able to do the work of the Committee in accordance with the regulations, the Chairman asked if anyone would like to propose a secret vote for Submission 037-18.

**Vote 1:** Should the vote on Submission 037-18 be secret.

Proposed by Stefan Rahm, seconded by David Abercrombie.

**For:** 13, **Against:** 1, **Abstain** 2.

**Vote 2:** Submission 037-18

**For:** 7, **Against:** 6, abstain 3

**Recommendation to Council:** Approve
For the record, Riccardo Simoneschi requested that his vote to reject Submission 037-18 was noted.

The Committee discussed possible formats for the 2024 Olympic Games. The Events Committee considered the format submissions as set out below. However, it was decided that it was premature to make final format recommendations to Council for the 2024 events, particularly given the uncertainty in relation to the 2024 events and equipment. The Committee noted that a number of the format submissions included ideas that should be considered in some cases trialled and that it is also important to consider the format across all the events. A format working party will be set to consider format options for 2024 events.

The Committee reviewed test event policies for 2022 and 2023.

The Committee reviewed the following Submissions and made the following recommendations to the Council:

(a) Submission 008-18 from the Hungarian Yachting Association, Romanian Yachting Federation, Trinidad and Tobago Sailing Association, International 420 Class Association, and the International 470 Class Association, regarding World Sailing Regulations - Olympic Equipment - Regulation 23.1.8.

Opinion to Council: No Opinion

(b) Submission 030-18 from the Hungarian Yachting Federation, Israel Sailing Association, Federacion Mexicana de Vela, Romanian Yachting Association and the Trinidad and Tobago Yachting Association, regarding World Sailing Regulations - Olympic Equipment - Regulation 23.1.6.

Opinion to Council: No Opinion

(c) Submission 039-18 from the Swedish Sailing Federation regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Format.

Recommendation to Council: Reject (Unanimous)

(d) Submission 040-18 from the Danish Sailing Association regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition – Medal Race Format.

Recommendation to Council: Reject (Unanimous)

The Events Committee recognised the opportunity to improve the Medal Race and recommends the Medal Race format in this submission be considered further and tested.

(e) Submission 041-18 from the Chinese Taipei Yachting Association regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Windsurfing Format.

Recommendation to Council: Reject (Unanimous)

In relation to all Windsurfer event format submissions the Events Committee noted the support for introducing a different format for the windsurfing event and the need to work closely with the Equipment Committee in finalising its format recommendation for these events.

(f) Submission 042-18 from the International Raceboard Association regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Windsurfing Format.

Recommendation to Council: Reject (Unanimous)

In relation to all Windsurfer event format submissions the Events Committee noted the support for introducing a different format for the windsurfing event and
the need to work closely with the Equipment Committee in finalising its format recommendation for these events.

(g) Submission 043-18 from the International RS: X Class Association regarding the Olympic Windsurfing Events - New Format.

**Recommendation to Council: Reject (Unanimous)**

In relation to all Windsurfer event format submissions the Events Committee noted the support for introducing a different format for the windsurfing event and the need to work closely with the Equipment Committee in finalising its format recommendation for these events.

(h) Submission 044-18 from the International Laser Class Association regarding the Olympic Sailing Competition - Men's and Women's One Person Dinghy Format.

**Recommendation to Council: Reject (Unanimous)**

(i) Submission 045-18 from the International Laser Class Association regarding the Olympic Sailing Competition – Mixed One Person Dinghy Format.

**Recommendation to Council: Reject (Unanimous)**

(j) Submission 046-18 from the Danish Sailing Association regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Mixed One Person Dinghy Format.

**Recommendation to Council: Reject (Unanimous)**

(k) Submission 047-18 from the International Finn Association regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Duomix Format.

**Recommendation to Council: Reject (Unanimous)**

(l) Submission 049-19 from the Chairman of the Events Committee regarding the Olympic Sailing Competition - Event Names - New Regulation 23.1.10.

**Recommendation to Council: Approve (Unanimous)**

The Committee reviewed the following Olympic Equipment Submissions and made the following recommendations to Council:

(a) Submission 059-18 from the Israel Sailing Association regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

**Opinion: No Opinion**

(b) Submission 060-18 from the International Finn Association regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

**Opinion: No Opinion**

(c) Submission 061-18 from the International Laser Class Association regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

**Opinion: No Opinion**

(d) Submission 062-18 from the Hungarian Yachting Association and International Finn Association regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

**Opinion: No Opinion**

(e) Submission 063-18 from the Danish Sailing Association regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.
Opinion: No Opinion

(f) Submission 064-18 from US Sailing regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

Opinion: No Opinion

(g) Submission 065-18 from the Hungarian Yachting Association, Romanian Yachting Federation, International 470 Class Association and International Kiteboarding Association regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

Opinion: No Opinion

(h) Submission 066-18 from the International 470 Class Association and Romanian Yachting Federation regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

Opinion: No Opinion

(i) Submission 067-18 from the International Kiteboarding Association regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

Opinion: No Opinion

(j) Submission 068-18 from the International Finn Association regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

Opinion: No Opinion

(k) Submission 069-18 from the International 470 Class Association regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

Opinion: No Opinion

(l) Submission 070-18 from the International Finn Association regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

Opinion: No Opinion

(m) Submission 071-18 from the International RS: X Class Association regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

Opinion: No Opinion

(n) Submission 072-18 from US Sailing regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

Opinion: No Opinion

(o) Submission 073-18 from the International 470 Class Association and Romanian Yachting Federation regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

Opinion: No Opinion

(p) Submission 074-18 from the International 470 Class Association and Romanian Yachting Federation regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

Opinion: No Opinion

(q) Submission 075-18 from the Japan Sailing regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.
Opinion: No Opinion

(r) Submission 076-18 from the International 470 Class Association regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

Opinion: No Opinion

(s) Submission 077-18 from the International 470 Class Association regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

Opinion: No Opinion

(t) Submission 078-18 from the International 470 Class Association regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

Opinion: No Opinion

(u) Submission 079-19 from US Sailing regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

Proposed by Gary Bodie, seconded by Fiona Kidd

Recommendation to Council: Reject (Unanimous)

The Events Committee considered this submission because it proposed a Team Sailing format for the one person mixed dinghy event but rejected this submission to the extent it related to format in line with its decision not to make final recommendations on format for 2024 events at this stage.

(v) Submission 080-18 from the Hungarian Yachting Association regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

Opinion: No Opinion

(w) Submission 081-18 from the International Finn Association regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

Opinion: No Opinion

(x) Submission 082-18 from the International Musto Skiff Association regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

Opinion: No Opinion

(y) Submission 083-18 from the International Finn Association regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

Opinion: No Opinion

(z) Submission 084-18 from the International Europe Class Union regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

Opinion: No Opinion

(aa) Submission 085-18 from the International Europe Class Union regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

Opinion: No Opinion

(bb) Submission 086-18 from the International Zoom 8 Class Association regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

Opinion: No Opinion
Submission 087-18 from the International Speed Windsurfing Class Association and International Formula Windsurfing Class regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

Opinion: No Opinion

Submission 088-18 from the Koninklijk Nederlands Watersport Verbond regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

Opinion: No Opinion

Submission 089-18 from the International Raceboard Class Association regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

Opinion: No Opinion

Submission 090-18 from the Chinese Yachting Association, Japan Sailing Federation and Chinese Taipei Sailing Association regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

Opinion: No Opinion

Submission 091-18 from the International Funboard Class Association regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

Opinion: No Opinion

Submission 092-18 from the International Funboard Class Association regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

Opinion: No Opinion

Submission 093-18 from the International RS:One Class Association regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

Opinion: No Opinion

Submission 094-18 from the Federacion Mexicana de Vela regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

Opinion: No Opinion

Submission 095-18 from the International Kiteboarding Association regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

Opinion: No Opinion

Submission 096-18 from the International Kiteboarding Association regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

Opinion: No Opinion

Submission 097-18 from the International Kiteboarding Association regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

Opinion: No Opinion

Submission 098-18 from the Hungarian Yachting Association, Trinidad and Tobago Sailing Association, International 470 Class Association, International Kiteboarding Association, and International Finn Association regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

Opinion: No Opinion
Submission 099-18 from the Hungarian Yachting Association, Trinidad and Tobago Sailing Association, International 470 Class Association, International Finn Association, and the International Kiteboarding Association regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

Opinion: No Opinion

Submission 100-18 from the Polish Yachting Association regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

Opinion: No Opinion


Opinion: No Opinion


Opinion: No Opinion

Submission 103-18 from the Hungarian Yachting Association, Israel Sailing Association, Romanian Yachting Federation, Trinidad and Tobago Sailing Association, International 470 Class Association, International Finn Association, and the International Kiteboarding Association regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

Opinion: No Opinion

Submission 104-18 from the Hungarian Yachting Association, Israel Sailing Association, Federacion Mexicana de Vela, Romanian Yachting Federation, Trinidad and Tobago Sailing Association, International Finn Association, and the International Kiteboarding Association regarding the 2024 Olympic Sailing Competition - Olympic Equipment.

Opinion: No Opinion

6. Tokyo 2020

The Committee received a report from the Director of Sailing on the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games including:

- 2018 Test Event / World Cup Regatta
- 2019 Test Event
- Plans for the 2020 Olympic Sailing Competition

The Committee reviewed the implementation of the Tokyo 2020 Qualification System including Continental Qualification Regattas and Tripartite Invitational Places.

The Committee confirmed the format for the Mixed Multihull event:

Opening series: 12 races / 30 minute target time
Medal race: 1 standard medal race / 20 minute target time

Recommendation to Council: Approve (Unanimous).
The Committee reviewed the following Submission and make the following recommendation to the Council:

(a) Submission 012-18 from the Chairman of the World Sailing Classes Committee regarding the 2020 Olympic Sailing Competition - Support to Continental Qualification Events.

Recommendation: Reject (For 5, Against 9, Abstain 2).

7. **Aarhus 2018 Sailing World Championships**

The Committee received a report from the Director of Events on the Aarhus 2018 Sailing World Championships.

The Committee reviewed plans for the 2022 Sailing World Championships in the Hague including quotas, format and schedule.

8. **World Cup**

The Committee received a report from the Director of Events on the 2019 & 2020 World Cup.

9. **Youth Sub-Committee**

The Committee received a report on the Buenos Aires 2018 Youth Olympic Games.

The Committee reviewed the future strategy for the Youth Olympic Games from the Chairman of the Youth Events Sub-committee.

The Committee received a report on the Corpus Christi 2018 Youth Sailing World Championships.

The Committee received a verbal report on future Youth Sailing World Championships from the Chairman of the Youth Events Sub-committee.

10. **Match Racing Sub-committee**

The Committee receive a verbal report from the Chair of the Match Racing Sub-committee.

11. **Team Racing Sub-committee**

The Committee received a verbal report from the Chair of the Team Racing Sub-committee. Phil Lotz, the Commodore of the New Yacht Club gave a presentation on future plans for team racing events at the New York Yacht Club.

12. **Other Submissions**

The Committee reviewed the following Submissions and made the following recommendations to the Council:

a) Submission 010-18 from the Chairman of the World Sailing Classes Committee regarding World Sailing Special Events - Obligations and Consequences for Non-Compliance.

Opinion to Council: No Opinion
b) Submission 011-18 from the Chairman of the World Sailing Classes Committee regarding Approval Fees - Prize Money.
   Proposes by Ben Remocker, seconded by Stefan Rahm.
   **Opinion to Council: Approve (Unanimous)**

c) Submission 048-18 from the Chairman of the Events Committee regarding World Sailing Regulations - Nationality Requirements for Match Racing Events - Regulation 19.8.
   **Recommendation to Council: Approve (For 15, Abstain 1)**

13. **Any Other Business**