Executive Committee Minutes

The Executive Committee met at 09:30 – 18:00 hours on Thursday 6 May, 14:00 – 15:00 on Saturday 8 May and 09:30 – 14:30 on Sunday 9 May 2010 at the Ramada Hotel, Balaton, Hungary

1. Opening of the Meeting
2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting
3. Reports
4. Finance
5. Annual Report
6. ISAF Strategic Plan
7. Governance
9. 2010 ISAF Mid-Year Meetings
10. 2010 Annual Conference Executive Submissions
11. ISAF Members
12. International Sports Update
13. ISAF Technical Delegates
14. America’s Cup
15. Olympic Sailing Competition 2012
16. IOC Youth Olympic Games 2010
17. ISAF Events
18. ISAF Equipment and Events Working Party
19. Events Appointment Working Party
20. Applications under Rule 86.2 of the Racing Rules of Sailing
21. Qingdao International Sailing Week 2010
22. Secretariat
23. Future ISAF Meetings
24. Any Other Business

Present
Göran Petersson – President
HM King Constantine – President of Honour
Nazli Imre – Vice-President
David Irish – Vice-President
David Kellett - Treasurer
Teo-Ping Low – Vice-President
Alberto Predieri – Vice-President
Eric Tulla – Vice-President
Jerome Pels – Secretary General

In Attendance
Helen Fry – Office Manager

Apologies
HM King Harald V of Norway – President of Honour
Tomasz Holc – Vice-President
Teresa Lara – Vice-President

1. Opening of the Meeting

The President welcomed everyone to the meeting and advised that apologies had been received from HM King Harald V of Norway, Vice-Presidents Tomasz Holc and Teresa Lara.

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

(a) Minutes

The minutes of the Executive Committee meeting of 3, 4 and 5 February 2010 were noted.

(b) Minutes Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

3. Reports

(a) Report by the President

The President gave a brief outline of his activities over the past months.

(b) Report by the Vice-Presidents
The Executive Members gave an overview of their activities since the February meeting under their areas of responsibilities.

(c) Report by the Secretary General

i) IFDS Annual Meetings

IFDS had formally written to have permission to hold their meetings at the same time as the ISAF Annual Conference 2010.

Decision

IFDS can hold their Annual Meetings at the same time as the ISAF Annual Conference 2010 in Athens. Whilst their meeting schedule would not be included in the ISAF Programme, a link will be given on the website.

ii) IFDS Anti-Doping Programme

Decision

The Secretary General was authorised to discuss this further with IFDS.

iii) Elliott 6M

The Secretary General reported on the possible formation of a Class Association for the Elliott 6M Class.

iv) ISAF Internship

The Executive Committee noted a thank you message from the Deutscher Segler Verband with reference to the successful internship project of a member of their staff at the ISAF secretariat.

v) World Yacht Racing Forum

The Secretary General reported on the plans for the Forum to be held in December 2010. It was agreed that ISAF should have a presence.

vi) Youth Worlds and Sponsorship

It was reported that the title sponsor arrangement with Volvo for the ISAF Youth Sailing World Championship will not be renewed after 2010.

vii) International Regulations Commission

Alan Green has requested to step down as Chair from the International Regulations Commission in November and a new Chair will be appointed at that time.

viii) Hall / US Sailing Case and the United States Olympic Committee Appeal

The Executive Committee received an update.

ix) Tracking

Decision

David Kellett and the Secretary General were authorised to consult with Patrick Bergmans and investigate the purchase of some tracking equipment and to report back to the Executive Committee.

4. Finance

(a) Management Accounts
The Secretary General presented the Management Accounts for the period through to 31 March 2010.

(b) 2010 Budget
The revised budget for the year 2010 which incorporates the increased Race Officials budget of £50,000 was approved for presentation to Council.

(c) Consolidated Statutory Accounts – 1 January 2009 to 31 December 2009
The Consolidated Statutory Accounts for the period 1 January 2009 to 31 December 2009 was presented.

**Recommendation**
The 2009 Consolidated Statutory accounts will be presented to the Directors (The Council) of the International Sailing Federation at the Mid-Year Meeting 2010.

(d) ISAF Debtors
The company debtors were noted.

(e) Quarterly Report on the Isle of Man Trust
An up-to-date report on the ISAF Trust was received from the Treasurer.

(f) ISAF Deposits
The Treasurer reviewed the ISAF deposits and reported that the deposits were relatively secure.

5. **Draft Annual Report**
The Executive Committee received the draft 2009 Annual Report and were requested to give any comments they had to the Secretary General.

6. **ISAF Strategic Plan**
The ISAF Strategic Plan was reviewed and each objective within the four focus areas was allocated to Executive Committee members.

7. **Governance**
Teo-Ping Low will present a final report on the Council Questionnaire to Council.

8. **Olympic Commission Report**
In November 2008 the ISAF Council approved Submission 082-08 initiating a strategic approach to strengthen sailing as a sport in the Olympic Games. The Olympic Commission have begun to develop a comprehensive vision and strategy for the sport of sailing in the Olympic Games and the first draft was presented to Council at the Mid-Year Meetings 2010 by the Chairman of the Olympic Commission.

**Decision**
Council, MNA’s and Classes were asked to send their ideas, suggestions or comments on the first Olympic Commission draft to the Secretary General by 21 June 2010.

A further meeting of the Executive will be held 5 - 6 July 2010.
At the Annual Conference 2010 the Executive Committee will present to Council its recommendations for discussion and propose the next steps taking into consideration the Olympic Commission report, the input from Council, MNA’s, Classes and ISAF Committees.

9. 2010 ISAF Mid-Year Meetings

The Agenda’s for the following Committee were noted

(a) Council
(b) Events
(c) Equipment – meeting not held because of the flight restrictions that were imposed relating to the volcanic ash cloud.
(d) Audit
   It was noted that a Mid-Year meeting was not held as a result of the in depth meeting the Chair of the Audit Committee and Audit Committee member had with the principal Auditor in London. As a result of the recent Audit there were no matters arising.
(e) Deferred Submissions
   i) 084-08 – 2016 Olympic Sailing Competition Events, Regulation 16.1
      No Recommendation
   ii) 085-08 – Events for Olympic Games Regulation 16.1
      No Recommendation
   iii) 086-08 – Olympic Sailing Competition – Permanent Events
      No Recommendation
   iv) 087-08 – Permanent Events for the Olympic Sailing Competition
      No Recommendation
   v) 088-08 – 2016 Olympic Sailing Competition – Events
      No Recommendation
   vi) 091-09 – ISAF Sailing World Championships – Regulation 17.2
      No Recommendation
(f) Urgent Submissions
   i) M01-10 – ISAF Directors
      Recommendation - Approve
      This is consistent with the decision on Submission 36-09 taken in November 2009 by the Council.
   ii) M02-10 – Definition of Council – Article 1
      Recommendation - Reject
      This submission is contrary to the decision on Submission 36-09 taken in November 2009 by the Council.
iii) M03-10 – ISAF Board of Directors – Articles  
Recommendation - Reject  
This submission is contrary to the decision on Submission 36-09 taken in November 2009 by the Council.

iv) M04-10 – Board of Directors of ISAF to be Elected by Council  
Recommendation - Reject  
This submission is contrary to the decision on Submission 36-09 taken in November 2009 by the Council.

v) M05-10 – ISAF Constitution – Article 46  
Recommendation - Reject  
This submission is contrary to the decision on Submission 36-09 taken in November 2009 by the Council.

vi) M06-10 – ISAF Contract Register  
Recommendation - Reject  
Access to this is already under the domain of the Audit Committee for the purposes of good governance.

vii) M07-10 – Council Members Access to Information  
Recommendation - Reject  
The IOM Companies Act provides you can destroy documents after 12 years.

viii) M08-10 – ISAF Financial Dealings with Council Members – Transparency  
Recommendation - Reject  
There is currently an audit trail of who gets paid and how much and access to this is under the domain of the Audit Committee for the purposes of good governance.

ix) M09-10 – ISAF Sailing World Championships  
Recommendation – Approve  
To fit in Regional qualification for the Olympic Sailing Competition

10. 2010 Annual Conference Executive Submissions  
There may be Submissions required following the review of the Olympic Commission report.

11. ISAF Members  
(a) Full Members  
i) Botswana  
Recommendation  
That Council provisionally accept Botswana for ISAF Full Member status subject to some minor changes being incorporated into their Constitution.
ii) Mozambique

**Recommendation**

That Council provisionally accept Mozambique for ISAF Full Member status subject to some minor changes being incorporated into their Constitution.

(b) Affiliate Continental Members

i) African Sailing Confederation

**Recommendation**

That Council accept the African Sailing Confederation for ISAF Affiliate Continental Member status.

12. International Sports Update

(a) IOC

The President updated the Executive Committee on the recent IOC meeting held in Dubai.

(b) ASOIF

An update on the recent ASOIF meetings was given.

(c) SportAccord

The President reported on the new types of Games SportAccord were organising for example, SportAccord Beach Games, SportAccord Mind Games and SportAccord Combat Games.

13. ISAF Technical Delegates

(a) 2011 African Games

**Decision**

Pedro Rodrigues (POR) will be appointed Technical Delegate for these Games.

(b) 2011 South Pacific Games

**Decision**

David Brookes (AUS) will be appointed Technical Delegate for these Games.

14. America’s Cup

David Kellett gave a verbal report on the America’s Cup.

15. Olympic Sailing Competition 2012

The Technical Delegate reported that the Memorandum of Understanding from LOCOG had been received.

**Decision**

The Secretary General is authorised to sign the MOU (the main section, not the appendices) subject to a review by Eric Tulla.
16. **IOC Youth Olympic Games 2010**

An update on the IOC Youth Olympic Games was received by Teo-Ping Low.

**Decision**

The representatives for the Executive Committee are:

- Nazli Imre as her areas of responsibility covers Youth and Anti-Doping.
- Teo-Ping Low as he is the Vice-President responsible for this event and the venue falls within his geographical area of responsibility.

Chris Atkins will represent the Events Committee.

17. **ISAF Events**

(a) **ISAF Sailing World Cup**

Alberto Predieri proposed that a new Sailing World Cup Group be set up to act as an advisory Group to the Executive in respect of the Sailing World Cup 2012 / 2013 and beyond.

**Decision**

The 2012 / 2013 Sailing World Cup Group scope of work will be:

“to inform and advise the Executive Committee on:

i) all matters affecting the implementation and the management of the ISAF Sailing World Cup 2012 / 2013 and beyond, including its commercial and geographical exploitation;

ii) such other matters related to the ISAF Sailing World Cup as the Executive Committee may ask from time to time.”

The 2012 / 2013 Sailing World Cup Group will comprise of the following members:

- Bernard Bonneau (FRA)(Chair) - Existing Events representative
- Peter Kruger-Andersen (DEN) - Athletes Commission representative
- Corinne McKenzie (FRA) - Olympic Classes representative
- Chris Atkins (GBR) - Events Committee Representative*
- Phil Jones (AUS) - Olympic Commission representative*

* as of November 2010

It is the recommendation of the Executive Committee that the 1012 / 2013 Sailing World Cup Group will become a Working Party in November 2010.

(b) **2011 ISAF Sailing World Championships**

A verbal update on the 2011 Sailing World Championship was given by David Kellett. The Secretary General advised the Executive Committee of the Television Tender process.

**Decision**

David Kellett and the Secretary General were authorised to sign the contract after review by Eric Tulla.
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(c) Volvo Youth Sailing ISAF World Championships
A verbal update on the 2010 Volvo youth Sailing ISAF World Championship was given by Nazli Imre and the Secretary General.

18. ISAF Equipment and Events Working Party
David Irish reported on the progress of the work of the ISAF Equipment and Events Working Party and advised that this work was on course for a Submission to Council as planned.

19. Events Appointment Working Party
(a) Evens Appointment Working Party Procedure
Eric Tulla presented a written procedure for the Events Appointment Working Party which sets out clear guidelines on a timetable for the forthcoming appointments for 2011 and onwards. This timetable is not mandatory but desirable and should be adhered to whenever possible.

Decision
The Events Appointment Working Party’s procedure was approved.

(b) Appointment of Officials to Sailing World Cup Events in 2011
The Regulations require ISAF to appoint Race Officers for each course and also the PRO. The Regulations permit ISAF to appoint all members of the jury, umpire team and measurement team and this should now happen to ensure consistency from event to event and in order to help develop officials.

Decision
The Chief Measurer at each SWC event must be an international Measurer and not from the host country.

The IMSC and ROC, with input from the Classes and the Chief Measurer for Perth and the Olympic Sailing Competition will propose a list for consideration by the Events Appointments Working Party and the Executive Committee.

The SWC Events will be advised that they must propose a Chief Measurer from the list (who should not be from the host country) who will then be appointed by the Events Appointments Working Party.

The SWC Events may then appoint others (from the host country if they wish) to work with the ISAF-appointed Chief Measurer.

20. Applications under Rule 86.2 of the Racing Rules of Sailing
The Homerus Project has applied to ISAF for changes to the Racing Rules under Rule 86.2.

Decision
The changes to the Racing Rules have been approved.

21. Qingdao International Sailing Week 2010

Decision
David Kellett will represent the Executive Committee and ISAF at the Qingdao International Sailing Week 2010.
22. Secretariat

The Secretary General gave a verbal overview report on the activities of the Secretariat.

23. Future ISAF Meetings

(a) 2010 September Executive Meeting – 10-12 September
(b) 2010 ISAF Annual Conference Athens, Greece – 4-15 November
(c) 2011 February Executive Meeting Reykjavik, Iceland - 18-20 February
(d) 2011 ISAF Mid-Year Meetings – venue to be decided – 5-8 May
(e) 2011 ISAF Annual Conference Puerto Rico – 3-13 November
(f) 2012 ISAF Mid-Year Meetings – venue to be decided – 3-6 May
(g) 2012 ISAF Annual Conference Dun Laoghaire, Ireland – 1-11 November

24. Any Other Business

(a) Constitution Committee

The Executive Committee noted that good progress had been made by the Constitution Committee with the re-arrangement of the Regulations as proposed in Submission 037-09, approved by Council in November 2009.

It is expected that the new Regulations will be ready before 1 August 2010 to be submitted to Council for approval.

Following the approval of Submission M01-10 the Constitution Committee is working on the consequential changes to the ISAF Regulations.

(b) Rolex

The Secretary General reported that a meeting is scheduled for 19 May 2010.

(c) ISAF Recognized Training Accreditation

Decision

Nazli Imre and David Kellett were authorised to make a decision about the level of fees and to then implement that decision.