Windsurfing & Kiteboarding Committee Minutes

The Windsurfing & Kiteboarding Committee met at 14:30 – 18:00 hours on Monday 3 November 2014 at the Melia Palas Atenea Hotel, Palma, Mallorca

Please refer to the ISAF website www.sailing.org for the details of the submissions on this agenda/referred to in these minutes.

1. Opening of the Meeting
The Chairman welcomed the committee members to the second meeting of the Windsurfing and Kiteboarding Committee.

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting
   (a) Minutes
   The Committee noted the minutes of the Windsurfing Committee meeting of Monday 11 November 2013 (circulated and approved after the meeting). The minutes can be downloaded at www.sailing.org/meetings.

   (b) Minutes Matters Arising
   Bruno Marques invited Markus Schwendtnner to show a presentation about the meeting between IKA and the IOC regarding the inclusion of an 11th medal. The IOC is keen to have a racing category rather than freestyle as racing is easy to understand by everybody. Alastair Fox noted that the inclusion of Kiteboarding events in ISAF World Cup events or ISAF World Cup is not going to create a great burden.

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

Present:
Bruno Licio Marques - Chairman
Bruno De Wannemaeker – Vice-Chairman
Cowen Chiu
Ansis Dale
Sebastian Edmonds
Thomas Foyen
Nicolas Huguet
Ben Barger (Athlete’s Commission Representative)
Vincenzo Pottino

Adam Quinn
Kamil Peterk
Dusan Vanicky
Ceri Williams
Andrus Poksi
Quanhai Li – Vice-President
Norbert Marin (ISAF technical co-ordinator)
Katherine Mason (ISAF Events Administrator)

Apologies
Sami Gali
Dorith Stierler
Phil Gow
Xinpei Yao
3. **2014 Windsurfing & Kiteboarding Competition Reports**
   
   (a) The Committee received written progress reports from the Classes and reports about the main Competitions in 2014. The Committee discussed recommendations for the future development.

4. **Working Parties reports**
   
   (a) The Committee received a progress report from the Chairman of the Youth and Development Working Party.

   (b) The Committee received a progress report from the Chairman of the Strategy, Equipment and Format Working Party

5. **2016 Olympic Sailing Competition**
   
   (a) The Committee received a progress report from the ISAF Head of Competitions on the 2016 Olympic Sailing Competition.

   It was reported that the 2014 test event in Rio was a great success. 324 sailors from 34 nations who between them had 32 Olympic medals competed at the test event. The key goals of the test event were to test the following:

   - Field of Play - including wind, tide and current impact
   - ITO and NTO teams
   - Marina da Gloria venue and shore facilities
   - Race Management Equipment
   - Olympic Format
   - Management Team

   During the test event all of these areas were tested and reviewed. Sensible recommendations will be made for the 2015 test event before ISAF finalizes the plans for the Rio 2016 Olympic Sailing Competition.

   It was noted that are still big concerns over pollution and the redevelopment of the venue and that ISAF would send a formal letter to Rio 2016 outlining these concerns.

   (b) The Committee had a brief discussion about race format for 2016.

   (c) Submission 086-14

   The Committee considered submission from the Executive Committee regarding new regulation 23.1.8 on the Olympic voting process and made a recommendation to Council.

   *Recommendation to Council: Approve*

6. **ISAF Sailing World Cup**

   The Committee received a report from the ISAF Sailing World Cup Manager on the 2014 ISAF Sailing World Cup.
7. **Youth Olympic Games**

The Committee received a progress report from the ISAF Head of Competitions on the Buenos Aires 2018 Youth Olympic Games.

For the Nanjing 2014 Youth Olympic Games it was reported that 101 athletes from 62 nations competed at the event. The Continental Qualification System worked well and the hard work of the Byte CII and the Techno 293 Classes and builders was noted. The sailing events took place at the Lake Jinniu Sailing Venue that was built specifically for the Youth Olympic Games. The venue will leave a strong legacy for sailing in Nanjing.

The venue was an extremely light wind venue and ISAF should work closely with the IOC to ensure that at future events there is an opportunity to review the wind conditions before a venue is selected.

It was reported that for the 2018 Buenos Aires Youth Olympic Games the venue is very good for sailing and recommendations for the format for the event and equipment that will be used will follow once the IOC report and debriefing on the 2014 Nanjing Games has been received.

It was commented at the meeting how important it was to get the confirmation about the events and equipment for event as soon as possible and that ISAF are exploring an innovative format to be included into the next Youth Olympic Games.

It was agreed that the Executive Committee will make final decisions on behalf of ISAF by May 2015.

8. **ISAF Judges Administration System**

The Committee received a report from Jan Stage about expression events judges being integrated into ISAF Judges administration system. The committee decided that it would be helpful to establish a working party composing 2 members from race officials and two from W&KC; Bruno Marques proposed Bruno De Wannemaeker and Richard Gower.

9. **2020 Olympic Sailing Competition**

The Committee received a verbal progress report from the ISAF Head of Competitions on the 2020 Olympic Sailing Competition.

It was reported that the level of engagement at this stage from the Tokyo Organising Committee was very reassuring. However, it had been confirmed that the venue included in the Tokyo 2020 bid proposal would now not be built. Instead an alternative venue in Tokyo Bay was currently being evaluated but there are serious concerns over the proximity of the Haneda airport could impact on the broadcaster’s abilities to televise the sailing events. It was noted that the Enoshima venue used during the 1964 Olympic Games may be a suitable alternative if a venue in Tokyo Bay is not approved. The ISAF President has made it a priority to get one extra medal for sailing to include Kiteboarding.

10. **ISAF Advertising Code**

Submission 011-14

The Committee considered submission from The International 49er Class Association regarding regulation 20 – advertising on the Jib of Olympic Class boats.

*Recommendation to Council: No Recommendation*
The Windsurfing and Kiteboarding Committee would like clarification that Submission 011-14 does not impact windsurfing classes.

11. Racing Rules of Sailing

(a) Submission 163-14

The Committee considered submission from The Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee regarding the re-order of Appendix B and made a recommendation to Council.

Recommendation to Council: Approve

(b) Submission 164-14

The Committee considered submission from The Chairman of the Racing Rules regarding racing rule numbering of Appendix B and made a recommendation to Council.

Recommendation to Council: Approve

(c) Submission 165-14

The Committee considered submission from The Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee regarding racing rule appendix B, definition 'about to round or pass', rule B2.18 and made a recommendation to Council.

Recommendation to Council: Approve

(d) Submission 166-14

The Committee considered submission from The Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee regarding racing rule Appendix B definition 'beach start’ and made a recommendation to Council.

Recommendation to Council: Reject

See 167-14

(e) Submission 167-14

The Committee considered submission from The Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee regarding racing rule B3.26 and made a recommendation to Council.

Recommendation to Council: Approve with the following amendment

Amend the submission as per the Racing Rules Working Party wording.

(f) Submission 168-14

The Committee considered submission from The Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee regarding racing rule B5.62.1(e) and made a recommendation to Council.

Recommendation to Council: No Recommendation

This has been withdrawn. A new submission will be prepared for 2015.

(g) Submission 169-14

The Committee considered submission from Koninklijk Netherlands Watersport Verbond regarding racing rule B10.29 and made a recommendation to Council.

Recommendation to Council: Reject

This change has already been made.
(h) Submission 170-14

The Committee considered submission from The Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee regarding racing rule B10.70.7 and made a recommendation to Council.

Recommendation to Council: Approve

(i) Submission 175-14

The Committee considered submission from The Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee and the International Kiteboarding Association regarding racing rule Appendix F definition ‘Clear ahead, Clear astern; Overlap’ and made a recommendation to Council.

Recommendation to Council: Approve

(j) Submission 176-14

The Committee considered submission from The Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee and the International Kiteboarding Association regarding racing rule appendix F definition ‘Looping’ and F2.22.5 and made a recommendation to Council.

Recommendation to Council: Approve

(k) Submission 177-14

The Committee considered submission from The Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee and the International Kiteboarding Association regarding racing rule Appendix F2.18 definition ‘Mark-Room, ‘Zone’ and ‘About to Round or Pass’, Clear astern; Overlap’ and made a recommendation to Council.

Recommendation to Council: Approve

(l) Submission 178-14

The Committee considered submission from The Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee and the International Kiteboarding Association regarding racing rule Appendix F definition ‘Recovering’ vs ‘Capsized’, rule 23.2 and made a recommendation to Council.

Recommendation to Council: Approve

(m) Submission 179-14

The Committee considered submission from The Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee and the International Kiteboarding Association regarding racing rule F2.13 and made a recommendation to Council.

Recommendation to Council: Approve

(n) Submission 180-14

The Committee considered submission from The Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee and the International Kiteboarding Association regarding racing rule F3.31 and made a recommendation to Council.

Recommendation to Council: Approve

(o) Submission 181-14

The Committee considered submission from The Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee and the International Kiteboarding Association regarding racing rules F3.29.1, F3.30.1, F3.30.2, F3.30.3 and made a recommendation to Council.

Recommendation to Council: Approve
Submission 182-14

The Committee considered submission from The Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee and the International Kiteboarding Association regarding racing rule F4.44 and made a recommendation to Council.

Recommendation to Council: Approve with the following amendment

Amend the submission as per the Racing Rules Working Party wording.

Submission 183-14

The Committee considered submission from The Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee and the International Kiteboarding Association regarding racing rule F5.61.1(a) and made a recommendation to Council.

Recommendation to Council: Approve

Submission 184-14

The Committee considered submission from The Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee and the International Kiteboarding Association regarding racing rule F5.64.3(a), Class rule protests and made a recommendation to Council.

Recommendation to Council: Approve

Submission 185-14

The Committee considered submission from The Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee and the International Kiteboarding Association regarding racing rule F5.62.1(e) and made a recommendation to Council.

Recommendation to Council: Approve

Submission 186-14

The Committee considered submission from The Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee and the International Kiteboarding Association regarding racing rule F5.70.7 and made a recommendation to Council.

Recommendation to Council: Approve

Submission 187-14

The Committee considered submission from The Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee and the International Kiteboarding Association regarding racing rule Appendix F.A.8 and made a recommendation to Council.

Recommendation to Council: Approve

Submission 188-14

The Committee considered submission from The Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee and the International Kiteboarding Association regarding racing rule Appendix F.A.8 and made a recommendation to Council.

Recommendation to Council: Approve
12. **Other Submissions**

(a) To note, and where necessary comment on the specific submissions listed below;
Submission 006-14 from the Olympic Classes Sub-Committee regarding regulation 6.6.4

*Recommendation to Council: Approve with the following amendment*

Approve proposal 1. Reject proposal 2.

Submission 016-14 from The International Kiteboarding Association regarding event approval fees regulation 25.12.2 and make a recommendation to Council.

*Recommendation to Council: Approve with the following amendment*

Approve proposal 5. Reject proposals 1, 2, 3 & 4.

(b) Submission 057-14 from the Confederacao Brasileria de Vela regarding RS:X Sailors to bring their own equipment to the 2016 Olympic Sailing Competition.

*Recommendation to Council: No Recommendation*

WSKC should, in accordance to its Terms of Reference, be involved and participate in the decision making affecting windsurfing and Kiteboarding equipment, in close liaison with the Equipment Committee. Neil Pryde stated their opposition to this policy.

(c) Submission 058-14 from the French Sailing Federation regarding RS:X Sailors to bring their own equipment to the 2016 Olympic Sailing Competition.

*Recommendation to Council: No Recommendation*

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(d) Submission 145-14 to consider submission from the Chairman of the Racing Rules Committee regarding rule 61, Appendix F – Tangles

*Recommendation to Council: Approve*

13. **Any other business**

(a) Class Review

The Class Review document prepared for the Equipment Committee by the ISAF Secretariat should also be circulated to this Committee. It contained some inaccuracies that could only be addressed by the relevant class. By circulating in advance to this Committee there is an opportunity for the Class Representative to ensure what is presented with regard to the windsurfing classes is correct and thereby ensure no effort is wasted by the reporting Committees.

(b) WSSRC Rules regarding national speed records and "nationality criteria".

The Class Representative had received a complaint from the ITA national class association and the FIV regarding an ITA national speed record claimed by a sailor who sails with a SUI sail number and is not a member of either FIV or the ITA national class association. The WSSRC states that under their rules ISAF Eligibility is not required - only a valid passport for the country for which the sailor claims, and is given, the record. The
WSSRC is sanctioned by ISAF – the ISAF Secretariat should look in to what, if any, ISAF Regulations apply.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed.