

The Board met by conference call between 19:00hrs – 22:15hrs UTC on 8 January 2018

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Present:

Kim Andersen – President
Jan Dawson - Vice-President
Gary Jobson – Vice-President
W. Scott Perry – Vice-President
Yann Rocherieux – Chairman, Athletes' Commission
Ana Sanchez del Campo Ferrer – Vice-President
Nadine Stegenwalner – Vice-President
Torben Grael – Vice-President
Andy Hunt – Chief Executive Officer

Apologies:

Quanhai Li – Vice-President

In attendance:

Carlos de Beltran – Director of Technical & Offshore
Hugh Chambers – Chief Commercial Officer
Alastair Fox – Director of Events
Jonela Haxhinasto – Finance Director
Jon Napier – Director of Legal & Governance

1. Opening of the Meeting

(a) Conflicts of Interest

The Register of Interests was noted and there were no further interests to note.

2. Previous Minutes

The Board noted the minutes of its December meeting which had been previously circulated and approved.

3. Safety

The Board received an update on the recent meeting of the Safety Panel.

4. Legal Update

The Board discussed a confidential legal matter.

5. Regulation 23 Update

The Board noted the Antitrust Policy approved by Council in November 2017 and the new enhanced Olympic Classes Contract which together strengthen World Sailing's compliance

with EU law. The Board further noted that it was responsible under Regulation 23.6 for determining which Olympic Events & Equipment would be reviewed under the new Regulation.

In the Men's and Women's One Person Dinghy, the Board noted the current equipment was originally selected in 1974 and has remained in place since then with only limited manufacturers having legal IPR exclusivity to produce the equipment. In addition, the Board considered the mechanisms governing the evolution of the equipment were in need of review.

In the Men's and Women's Windsurfer, the Board noted the current equipment was originally selected in 2005 and has remained in place since then. A sole manufacturer has exclusivity to produce the equipment. Given these two factors, the Board concluded that the Events & Equipment should be reviewed due to the single manufacturer status of the equipment and the length of time since its original inclusion in the Games.

Decision

The Board approved antitrust reviews for the Men and Women's Windsurfer and the Men and Women's One Person Dinghy.

Any other Event where the associated Class and manufacturers do not sign the Olympic Classes Contract shall be subject to an antitrust review at the Board's discretion.

6. Governance Commission

The Board received an update on the progress of the Governance Commission.

Decision

The Board would discuss the scope of work at its February meeting.

7. Safeguarding Audit

The Board received a report from the Director of Legal Affairs & Governance on a forthcoming internal audit of World Sailing's safeguarding policies and procedures.

8. ISU Decision

The Board received a report from the Director of Legal Affairs & Governance on the recent decision of the European Commission concerning the International Skating Union.

9. World Sailing Trust

The Board received a report from the Chief Executive Officer and the Director of Legal Affairs & Governance on the establishment of the new charitable World Sailing Trust and the procedure for appointing the permanent Trustees.

10. Tokyo 2020 Showcase Events

The Board received a report from the Chief Executive Officer on discussions with the IOC concerning showcase events.

Decision

The Board discussed showcase events at the 2020 Olympic Sailing Competitions. The Board were updated that there was still no clarity on the decision-making process and timing for showcase events at the Tokyo 2020 Games. It was agreed that the Executive Office would inform Tokyo 2020 and the IOC that the practical deadline for organising an Offshore showcase event in Japan at the Tokyo 2020 Games had now passed. The Executive will discuss with the IOC and Paris 2024 the opportunity to showcase Offshore Sailing in 2020 outside of Japan.

The Executive will continue to discuss with the IOC and Tokyo 2020 the delivery of a Kiteboarding showcase.

11. Support Team and Coaches in Sailing

The Board received a report from the Coaches Commission.

Decision

The Executive Office is to review the viability of implementing a coach registration system in the current financial year.

The Board requests that the Commission to work with the Director of Events to prepare a further proposal for the number of support boats per MNA at World Sailing Events which will achieve a significant reduction in the numbers with a target of a minimum of a 40% reduction in 2018.

The Board requests further consideration be given by the Commission to limiting the use of electronics and reducing the size of support boat zones

12. CEO Report

The Board received a report from the Chief Executive Officer.

13. Commercial Update

The Board received a report from the Chief Commercial Officer.

14. November 2017 Management Accounts

The Board received a report from the Finance Director.

15. Any Other Business

The Board noted the election of Jens Kroker (GER) to the Athletes' Commission representing Paralympic sailors.

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