

The World Sailing Board met by conference call between 12:00 – 15:30 hrs BST on 1 July 2019



Present:

Kim Andersen – President
Jan Dawson - Vice-President
Torben Grael – Vice-President (Item 4 onwards)
Gary Jobson – Vice-President (until Item 6(c))
Quanhai Li – Vice-President
W. Scott Perry – Vice-President (until Item 6(b))
Yann Rocherieux – Chairman, Athletes' Commission (until Item 6(b))
Ana Sanchez – Vice-President
Nadine Stegenwalner – Vice-President
Andy Hunt – Chief Executive Officer

In attendance:

Alastair Fox – Director of Events
Jonela Haxhinasto – Finance Director
Jon Napier – Director of Integrity & Governance
Jaime Navarro – Head of Technical & Offshore
Scott Over – Commercial Director
Daniel Smith – Director of Communications & Digital
Harriet Strzelecki – Director of Brand & Marketing

1. Opening of the Meeting

(a) President's Opening Remarks

The President updated the Board on his visit to the latest Session of the International Olympic Committee and the opening of the new IOC Headquarters. The President drew the attention of the Board to the continued focus of the IOC on Agenda 2020 and the "New Norm".

(b) Apologies for Absence and Declarations of Interest

There were no apologies for absence.

The Board noted the Register of Interests and there were no new declarations.

(c) Minutes

The Board noted the minutes of its previous meeting, which had been previously approved.

(d) Matters Arising

There were no matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting not otherwise on the agenda.

2. Safety

The Board received a report from the Safety Panel.

The Board wished to reinforce once again to stakeholders that the incident reporting systems is mandatory within the Regulations.

Decision

The Board requested the Executive to send a further reminder to MNA's, World Sailing Classes and Event Authorities to remind them of their obligation to report incidents on the incident reporting portal.

3. Reports

(a) CEO Report

The Board received and discussed a report from the Chief Executive Officer.

The Chief Executive Officer updated the Board on the 2019 Para World Sailing Championships currently underway in Puerto Sherry, ESP.

The Chief Executive Officer informed the Board the contract for the 2020 Annual Conference had been concluded, as well as contracts for the 2021 Youth Sailing World Championships, 2022 Sailing World Championships and a renewal of the sanctioning agreement for the World Match Racing Tour.

The Board noted the proposed arrangements for the 2022 Sailing World Championship Co-ordination Commission and will finalise membership at the 2019 Annual Conference.

Decision

The Board requested a proforma budget to be developed for the 2022 Sailing World Championships for the Board's approval.

The Board received a proposal from the Chief Executive Officer on a memorandum of understanding from the International Military Sports Council (CISM).

Decision

The Board authorised the Chief Executive Officer to enter a memorandum of understanding with the International Military Sports Council.

The Chief Executive Officer provided a summary report on the results of the latest stakeholder satisfaction survey.

(b) Commercial Report

The Board received and discussed a report from the Commercial Director.

Decision

The Board requested some updates to contract approval papers.

4. Finance

(a) Management Accounts

The Board received and discussed the May 2019 Management Accounts.

(b) 2019 World Cup Series

The Board received a financial report on the performance of the 2019 World Cup Series.

(c) World Sailing Trust

The Board received a report from the World Sailing Trust.

Decision

The Board requested a further report on possible future arrangements for the Trust.

- (d) Financial Delegations

The Board reviewed the matrix of financial delegations.

Decision

The President and Chief Executive Officer will review the matrix following the meeting.

5. Governance Commission

The Board received a report on the latest work of the Governance Commission.

6. Technical and Events

- (a) Olympic Classes Contracts

The Board received a report on the 2021 – 2024 Olympic Classes Contracts.

- (b) Men's and Women's Windsurfer

The Board noted that Council approved its recent recommendation and received a report on the tender process and proposed sea trials.

Decision

The Board agreed Ana Sanchez would serve as the Board member of the Working Party.

- (c) WCS Final Marseille review

The Board received a report on the recent World Cup Series Final (Marseille, FRA)

- (d) Tokyo 2020 Update

The Board received a report following a recent Technical Delegate site visit.

- (e) 2020 Offshore World Championship qualification system

The Board received the proposed qualification system for the 2020 Offshore World Championships.

Decision

The Board approved the qualification system in principle but deferred final approval until it has a final proposal in relation to quotas and the location of qualification of events.

- (f) 2020 Genoa World Cup Series

The Board received a report on the proposed arrangements for the 2020 World Cup Series (Genoa, ITA).

- (g) 2020 Olympic Qualification System

The Board received a proposed revision to the 2020 Olympic Qualification System.

Decision

The Board approved a request to the International Olympic Committee to insert a requirement of at least four races across at least two racing days for all remaining qualification events to be valid.

The Board authorised the Director of Events to agree the re-allocation procedure in the event of an invalid qualification event with the Events Committee for onward IOC approval.

7. Any Other Business

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