

Inter-Collegiate Sailing Association of North America, Inc. Winter Meeting

Saturday, January 15, 2011
Park City Peaks Hotel
Park City, Utah
Preliminary MINUTES

- 1. Vice President Stellmacher called the meeting to order at 0910.
- 2. Secretary Sterne called the roll. The fifteen (15) directors listed below were in attendance. There being a three-quarters majority of the Board, a quorum was present.

Mitch Brindley President

Glen Stellmacher Vice President (NWICSA Undergrad)

Jay Sterne Secretary Sherri Campbell Treasurer

Ann Campbell MAISA Graduate Representative Michael Campbell MAISA Undergrad Representative

Jenn Hockema MCSA Graduate Representative (by proxy)

Not presentMCSA Undergrad RepresentativeMike O'ConnorNEISA Graduate RepresentativeMaggie SheaNEISA Undergrad RepresentativeKyle EatonNWICSA Graduate RepresentativeGlenn StellmacherNWICSA Undergrad RepresentativeDanielle RichardsPCCSC Graduate Representative

Michael Campbell PCCSC Undergrad Representative (by proxy)

Not presentSAISA Graduate RepresentativeKate HodgesSAISA Undergrad RepresentativeNot presentSEISA Graduate RepresentativeCait TaylorSEISA Undergrad Representative

The following individuals were also present: Brendan Healy, John Mollicone, Charles Higgins, Nick Ewenson, Kay Kilpatrick, Mike Segerblom, Adam Werblow, Mallory Usen, Brian Swingly, Greg Wilkinson, Jeffrey Bresnahan, Molly Jackson, Blaine Pedlow, John Vandemoer, Frank Pizzo, James Unsworth, Cappy Capper, Zack Leonard, Matt Lindblad, Jesse Cartee, Charlie Arms, and Greg Koman

- 3. Additions to the agenda (Secretary)
 - a. A1 New business Proposed changes to Team Race Nationals Format
 - b. A2 New Business Update Kennedy Cup Conditions

A motion was made by Mr. Sterne, seconded by Mr. Brindley, and carried to add these additional items to the agenda.

4. <u>A motion was made by Mr. Sterne, seconded by Mr. Brindley, and carried to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last meeting (Annual Meeting, May 24, 2010, Attachment A) and to accept them as written.</u>

5. <u>President's Report</u>. President Brindley welcomed the Board and other representatives from college sailing and thanked them for traveling to Park City. He also expressed appreciation for he organization of the Coaches Colloquium, which he characterized as very successful. He acknowledged Danielle Richards and Greg Wilkinson for stepping up to the challenge of filling Ann Campbell's shoes as ICSA Intersectional Coordinator and ICSA Championship Coordinator respectively.

He reported on the positive status of ICSA sponsorship, including Gill, LaserPerformance, Quantum, and US SAILING already under contract for 2011. He stated that APS, Marlow, and Sperry Top-Sider were likely, but that negotiations need to be completed. ICSA is pursuing additional sponsorship opportunities for both short and long term commitments.

President Brindley attended the US SAILING Annual General Meeting and reported that the organization holds a positive view toward college sailing and the ICSA. He noted that the ICSA has a membership of more than 200 active members and more than 300 events, has a growing economic footprint and is helping to promote diversity within the sport of sailing.

He reported no shows for 2010 to include Amherst, University of Connecticut, Stevens Institute, UVA, Loyola, Miami of Ohio, and Virginia Tech.

He discussed action by the ICSA Executive Committee to approve a temporary blanket waiver to address an eligibility issue resulting from a change in ISAF rules. The purpose of the temporary waiver is to allow the ICSA Rules Committee time to develop a more comprehensive solution by June 30, 2011. (Attachment B, President's Report)

A motion was made by Mrs. Campbell, seconded by Mr. Sterne, and carried to accept the President's Report as presented.

6. <u>Treasurer's Report</u>. Ms. Campbell distributed copies of the Treasurer's report (Attachment C), and the current financial statements and budget (Attachment D), and discussed the generally positive financial status of the ICSA.

Blaine Pedlow raised a question on the impact of the current level of dues to overall ICSA financial health. Ms. Campbell reiterated the financial health of the ICSA, and added that more sponsorship would be helpful to allow the organization to enhance its efforts in the areas of support for national championships, media and PR activities, but that she does not believe higher dues are the solution. She also noted that support has been given to important ICSA infrastructure, most notably a new version of the Tech scoring program and a revamped ICSA website. There was general discussion on the need for more dedicated communications efforts at ICSA national championships, as well as better efforts to ensure the consistent quality of ICSA national championship regatta management. Ian Burman was volunteered to assist with refocusing the Communications Committee.

A motion was made by Mr. Sterne, seconded by Mr. Brindley, and carried to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented.

- 7. <u>Secretary's Report</u>. Secretary Sterne reminded Conference Commissioners of the upcoming March 1, 2011 deadline to submit annual conference reports. He noted his near 20 year hiatus from the position, and welcomed input and assistance from within the organization.
- 8. Standing Committee Reports
 - a. In the absence of Chairman Bryan McDonald, Mr. Eaton led discussion of the Procedural Rules Committee (Attachment E).
 - b. Mr. Vandemoer presented the report of the Appeals Committee, reporting no activity.
 - c. Chairman Griswold, Eligibility Committee, discussed the relationship between [ISAF Rule 22 and ICSA scholarship restrictions and stated a potential need for redrafting current language to insure consistency].

- d. Chairman Werblow, All American Committee, again recognized the longstanding support from Ann Campbell for this committee. He then led a discussion on the need for improving the ability to generate spread sheets from Tech Score as a means to verify data on a team-by-team basis.
- e. Chairman Lindblad, All Academic Committee, presented a written report. Blaine Pedlow raised the issue of whether these awards could be presented at the annual ICSA banquet, along with the All American awards, to provide a higher profile. This led to a discussion on timing for submissions, review criteria, and how best to insure completion of information required for submission. (Attachment F).
- f. In the absence of Chairman Callahan, Mr. Wilkinson led discussion on the Competition Committee Report. President Brindley moved to amend the ICSA Bylaws at the Annual meeting to allow for the merger of the Championship and Competition Committees. President Brindley further moved to allow the proposed new Committee to begin to work in this capacity immediately, with Greg Wilkinson to Chair, pending a formal Bylaw amendment at the next meeting. The motion was seconded and carried.

 It was addressed that bid for 2012 and 2013 ICSA Match Race Championship should be submitted to the championship committee for the 2011 AGM.
- i. Mrs. Campbell started the discussion on the Intersectional Schedule by noting that this meeting is not the proper forum to effect Intersectional Schedule changes. That being said, she proposed the removal of listed events beginning in 2012 (see her proposed list of changes). A motion was made by Mrs. Campbell, seconded and passed to eliminate two conference regattas from the Intersectional Schedule, Tom Noble TR, Old Guard, MAISA/SAISA, MacMillan Cup, SAISA/MAISA, Hap Moore TR (effective Spring 2012).
 - ii. Mike O'Connor proposed scheduling changes for NEISA (see list). Approved changes are included in approved Intersectional Schedule.
 - iii. A motion was made by Kyle Eaton, seconded and carried: For development purposes, non-contiguous conferences may coordinate and schedule regattas between the two conferences with approval from the ICSA intersectional coordinator. The host Conference is the organizing authority for such events and the host college is responsible for regatta management. iv. Proposed change to ICSA Intersectionals to establish last race start time of 3:00 PM. John Vandemoer discussed the importance of this rule to teams traveling longer distances, particularly when making it to scheduled flights. A motion was made by John Vandemoer for a new PR 18 e as follows: For all intersectional regattas there shall be no start after 3pm local time on the last day of the event. The remainder of 18 is renumbered (effective Spring 2011). The motion was seconded and carried.
 - v. MAISA proposed a uniform reporting time of 9:00 AM for all intersectionals. The motion dropped after discussion.
- h. President Brindley reported on Communications and Website issues, stating that the new ICSA website is scheduled to be functional by 2/1/2011 and that new scoring program updates are forthcoming. The ICSA Webmaster reports that the ICSA Individual Directory shows increased registrations every semester with 5139 registered competitors in Fall 2010.
- i. Hall of Fame No formal report was made. Discussion ensued concerning the new Director of Sailing at USNA and his willingness in maintaining and investing in the Hall of Fame. Brendan Healy is checking on update status. Ann Campbell will continue to assist in physical upkeep of the trophies where possible.
- j. Afterguard no report

k. National Championship Reports -Overview by Greg Wilkinson

2010 Sloop Match Racing Championship review presented by Blaine Pedlow. See attachment. It was recommended that the Championship Committee amend the weight limit set forth in the Match Race conditions to reflect the changes recommended by A. Leonard, B. Pedlow, and J. Vandemoer. Furthermore Mitch Brindley asks the Rules Committee to address PR 18 C ii to reflect match racing.

2011 Semis – PCCSC. Discussion led by Mike Segerblom concerning the expense and logistics of a second fleet of boats and sails. A motion was made by Mitch Brindley, seconded by Danielle Richards and passed setting the entry fee for the ICSA National Championship Semifinals at \$250 per team to be collected by ICSA.

2011 Spring National Championship. NWICSA See attachment G.

2011 Match Race National Championship CMA and St. Francis Yacht Club. See attachment H.

2011 ICSA / LaserPerformance Singlehanded National Championships. Chicago Yacht Club Belmont Station Nov. 4-6. Regatta chairman will be Tod Reynolds. See attachment I.

2012 ICSA National Championship Semifinals—SAISA, University of Miami. May 12-13, 2011. See attachment J.

2012 Spring National Championships. SEISA - University of Texas Attatchment K.

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9. Conference Reports- Each conference was took the opportunity to address their conference's general membership health.

10. Old Business

- a. Techscore. Matt Lindblad presented a report on the current role out of version 2.0, for release this season. He will be scheduling a regatta load test in the next 2 weeks. The stand alone version is available for download. Lindblad is developing a timeline reflecting the next phases with priority to data collection to suit the needs of the All America Committee and then a Team Race Scoring version. Lindblad also expressed the need to financially support the developer Dayan Paez with a structured agreement.
- b. ICSA Environmental Initiative Brindley provided an overview of the water bottle ban and stated the overall the initiative has been very well received and ICSA garnered a great deal of positive exposure for the initiative. During the US SAILING AGM, Brindley proposed to the Board of Directors that US SAILING adopt similar measures at all US SAILING National Championship. The proposal was adopted by US SAILING. Brindley suggested that ICSA should consider expanding the ban from water bottles, and asked for greater compliance. The ICSA is appreciative of the support from Klean Kanteen and Sailors for the Seas.

11. New Business

- a. The rules committee was asked to clarify the Procedural Rules in regards to Team Race Tie breakers to make it absolutely clear that only one sail-off race is to be sailed before moving on to the next tie breaking procedure and to define how a tie is calculated.
- b. A request was made by the PCCSC to develop an ICSA PR Appendix A case book illustrating the season limit questions and interpretations.
- c. <u>Mike O'Conner made a motion which was seconded and passed to establish a 3 knot wind minimum for starting races during ICSA Intersectionals and championships.</u> The matter was referred to the rules committee for proper clear wording.

- d. <u>Mike O'Conner made a motion which was seconded and passed to establish an official</u> standardized structure on combined division events. This was referred to the rules committee for wording and inclusion in the Procedural Rules.
- e. <u>Mike O'Conner made a motion which was seconded and passed limiting one team per school at intersectionals with the exception of one additional all women's team in open intersectionals.</u> This was referred to the rules committee for actual wording and inclusion in the Procedural Rules.
- f. Final four knock-round. A motion was made by John Vandemoer and was seconded and passed stating:

ICSA BOD tasks the Competition/Championship Committee with coming up with language for a Final Four Knockout system to be tested at this spring's TR Intersectionals. Pending BOD approval based on successful testing results, the intention is to implement the new format at 2011 TR Nationals.

- 12. Appointment of the Nominating Committee- Mitch Brindley
 - a. Glen Stellmacher
 - b. Brian Swingly
 - c. Danielle Richards
 - d. Cait Taylor
 - e. Adam Werblow

13. Adjournment-

A motion was made by Glen Stellmacher, seconded, and carried to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 1648. The next meeting of the Board will be held on May 22, 2011 at 1300, in Cascade Locks, OR at a location to be determined.

2/17/2010