



Inter-Collegiate Sailing Association of North America, Inc.

2021 Winter Meeting

Saturday, February 6, 2021

9am PT, 10am MT, 11am CT, 12pm ET

Zoom Video Call

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MINUTES

- I. Call to order (Undergraduate, Preston Anderson) 12pm
- II. Roll call (Richards)
- III. Additions to the agenda (Richards)
- IV. Approval of the Consent Agenda
 - A. 2020 AGM Minutes
 - B. President's Report
 - C. 2020 Financials
 - D. Afterguard Committee Report
 - E. Hall of Fame Committee Report
 - F. Conference reports

Brindley moved, Anderson seconded, motion passes

President's Report (Brindley)

ICSA TIDE Task Force and Conference Affiliates

This Committee has done great work and we will get a report later on.

Awards

After the AGM, we had a great online awards show recognizing 2019-2020 All-Americans and Hall of Fame inductees. This was a professional show done by our volunteers - Tyler Colvin, Allison Chenard, Ali Blumenthal.

Executive Committee - Covid Task Force

We moved to cancel the 2020-2021 Match Race that would have been in the Fall, Single-Handed were postponed to May 1-2, and amended Championship Conditions for Spring 2021. The Executive Committee cancelled the Spring 2021 Interconference Schedule. In the Fall, we prohibited out-of-conference competition but this is not the case for the Spring. Now it is possible to travel safely and your competition may be beyond Conference borders.

Report of the ICSA Medical Advisory Panel (Wilkinson)

This is a panel of experts, led by Greg Wilkinson and Greg Fisher to put together the panel, recommendations and protocols that have been adopted for all ICSA events this Spring. Any time teams meet for competition, these must be in place. The Declaration of Adherence is online and requires Executive Level signature from your University. As you recall, until this has been submitted to compliance@collegesailing.org, your TecScore is deactivated. Once you have this, upload it because it could take a cycle to update. This was passed as part of 2021 Beyond for Regional and Cross-Regional Teams but the Exec Comm action that was passed to compete Fall 20/Spring 21 was for every team in the ICSA. If teams can't get Presidential Designee, then they can't complete the form that gives permission to compete. SAISA will get some of the help resources they have found to other conferences. The language in current PRs does not discriminate between the 3 levels. If your member schools are struggling with this, we need to know where things are getting caught up, we need to know.

Motion to amend Procedural rules to reflect declaration of adherence for Fall 21 forward to be just for Cross-Regional and Regional [Tobleman]

- A. Seconded by Bobby
- B. Further Discussion ensued, the motion failed.

Gill

Gill agreed to continue Title sponsorship for Coed Dinghy Championship, if the event is cancelled, support will continue. When ordering team gear or personal gear, recognize that Gill continues to support College Sailing - especially financially.

Focus

1. Health of sailors, coaches and community and the sustainability of the programs at individual colleges and programs for the organization as whole
2. Financial considerations
 - a. Reaching out to those unable to be active right now
 - b. Losing leadership via graduation, etc.
 - c. Underclassmen - find support in the College Sailing community and understand policies and practices
3. Great to have Executive Director in place and implement, when possible the 2021 and Beyond Plan
 - a. Management contract with ISSA is on pause and still needs to be awarded

Motion to accept the President's Report [Bindley]

- A. Seconded by Magliola
- B. Passes unanimously

Treasurer's Report (Donahue) + 2021 Budget Approval

1. Balance sheet
 - a. 12/31, \$28,000 checking, \$218,000 investment, \$9,000 receivables, \$0 payables
 - b. Networth: \$256,000 / year, favorable to \$210,000 previous year
2. Profit Loss Statement
 - a. Revenue and expenses significantly down during calendar year, association had a net profit from operations, improvement over 2019 \$15,000 net loss
 - b. Net profits from investments: \$29,000
 - c. Total income: \$49,000
3. 2021 budget item: \$44,000
 - a. Represents a one time assessment fee to all members to create a cash reserve for part time ED
 - b. Approved this time last year to be implemented now for collection in April
 - c. The one time fee: \$275 regular; \$100 provisional
 - i. Bill conferences based on number of schools

Approve/Disapprove Dues for 2020

12 or so interconference events Spring of 2020, will be billed for that expense to the Conference
Regular: \$200, Provisional \$200, Associate \$100

Motion to accept the recommendation of the Executive Committee to waive the collection of 2020 Dues [Brindley]

- A. Seconded by Tobleman
- B. Motion passes

Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report [Brindley]

- A. Seconded by Anderson
- B. Passes unanimously

Secretary's Report (Richards)

Conference Membership Reports due by 2/15

1. Classification of teams and conference representatives for various committees
 - a. Looking for people other than coaches - outside individuals, admins, etc.
2. Deadline: 4/16 to submit the Declaration of Adherence if competing in Championships
 - a. If fielding a team for Championships, need the intent to register to determine numbers

Standing Committee Reports

All-Academic Sailing Team (Dan Thompson)

2019-2020

1. All-American's were awarded so All-Academic should be too
2. Nominate and get a team together
 - a. To account for the shortened season, reduce regatta requirement to 4, GPA stays the same

2020-2021

1. Idea: collecting data on nominated students and publicizing this percentage of students that are excellent students
2. **Mitch to work with Jared and Danielle to update the form**, send out forms to Conference Commissioners to share with membership; can self-nominate on the form and go from there

All-America Selection Committee (Burman)

1. Thank you to everyone that served
2. Ian's 5th Year as Chair
 - a. By-Laws allow President to extend the term of a Committee Chair, at this point, extending Ian's term until finding a replacement

Championship/Competition Committee (Wilkinson/Callahan)

2021 Nationals Plan - Ian Burman, Naval Academy

1. The alternate plan is still under the review/approval process
2. Split boats between 6 venues with 6 boats at each venue
 - a. 2-3 teams at each spot
 - i. Each team will have a specific launching time, meet on the water, race and return
 - ii. 1 coach boat per team
 - iii. Limiting the roster because entire team out on the water (between those sailing and on the coach boat)
3. Option A
 - a. May 19-20 for Women's
 - b. June 1-4 for TR then Coed Fleet Racing
 - c. Complications with COVID testing protocols
 - i. For a 2 day regatta, before and day after PCR within 72 of travel, PCR immediately upon returning
 - ii. For a 4 day block: antigen tests for every person competing in 2 events, antigen at the end of the second/beginning of 3rd for all sailors, coaches, and officials
 - iii. A positive test would require PCR confirmation and negative would have to come back before any eligible
 1. No way to turn around PCR before the end of competition

2. 1 positive antigen test on 2nd evening/3rd morning would knock the team out
 - a. High rate of false positives for antigen
4. Option B
 - a. May 19-20 (TR), June 2-3(W), June 8-9 (Coed)
 - b. Can't push earlier
 - i. Exams the week before
 - ii. Can't do anything week before Memorial (impossible for housing and other facilities)
 - iii. Can't do 3 events back to back
 - c. If two events back to back, risking ability to not participate in Coed FR (knock out whole team via contact tracing)
 - i. An antigen test with a false positive could knock your team out
 - ii. Financial burden of 3 weekends but it would take out the testing at venue situation
 - iii. Event testing cost: \$10,000-\$12,000

Single-Handed - McClintock

1. May 1-2 at Sail Newport
 - a. Saturday: 10:30-5
 - b. Sunday: 10-2 or 3
2. 10 boats available for charter, more of a Bring-Your-Own situation
3. Each team can have 4 women/4 men sailing in the 2 championships
4. Poll to schools to figure out who is intending to come
5. Everyone has to follow ICSA Rules
 - a. Tested before you come, signed off by a school representative other than the coach
6. Virtual skipper's meeting, can't have 2 non-related people on a boat (so no coaches on the water)
7. Brenton Cove (where frostbite fleet sails) between Sail Newport and Ida Lewis with good visibility
8. Saturday + Sunday: quick break at Fort Adams, chance to get in and get off the water
9. Coaches cannot have briefings on the docks or on Sail Newport property
 - a. Actual interaction is very limited
10. Need to use LPRO or Laser Class Blades, rigs, sails with sails having at least 4 digits
11. Need feedback from everyone on what numbers look like to be able to plan accordingly
12. New territory with LP, given we are in a pandemic

Championship Competition Committee Report

The report can be viewed [here](#).

1. Cori will assist with ensuring the correct gender-terms are used in the provisions that are in place to identify and counteract biases people may be bringing to Committees.
2. No geographic distribution criteria, ICSA representation
3. We have specificity in terms of the number of women - we should have a broad statement that suggests thriving for diversity on this Committee

Motion to add statement to the Charter of the Championship Selection Committee "In formation of the Selection Committee, the Championship Committee shall make all efforts to have a diversity of backgrounds in the Members" [Tobleman]

- A. Seconded by Pedlow
- B. Motion passes

NWICSA: November 6-7 2021 in Seattle, WA for Men's and Women's Singlehanded

- 1. PRO is lined up
- 2. Hopeful some restrictions will have eased by then

SAISA: November 13-14 2021 @ St. Pete's YC in J70 for Match Racing

SEISA: Spring 2022 Coed and Women's Fleet Racing and Coed Team Racing at Tulane

- 1. Navy stepped up to help this year, so it's a "pause" on the cycle and will be in Tulane for 2022

Spring 2022 Women's Team Racing

- 1. Brown intends to host
- 2. This will be Weekend 12 (usually FR Championship Weekend) so talk to conferences and shift this around to accommodate
- 3. 18 Zim FJs with new jibs in 2020 and hopefully new mains
 - a. Will look to Mitch, Johnny for guidance on this
- 4. 18 Z420s
- 5. Lots of space and amenities, Amanda Callahan has organized Umps at this event the past 2 years with a focus on getting women's umpires in the mix
- 6. Help from Brown with outside PRO
- 7. Still working on rotation of hosts for women's team racing because as of now not in the Nationals Block

Selection Methods for Men's and Women's Singlehanded and Match Racing

- 1. All Conference Championships shall be held no later than Weekend 6 in the Fall for MR and Singlehanded
 - a. Ask for people to help with the mock-run
 - b. Cannot "jump" over anyone that beat them at the Conference Championship
 - i. Room to consider injury or breakdown?
 - c. Looking at multiple mock-selections using past years results as background to develop a system that works

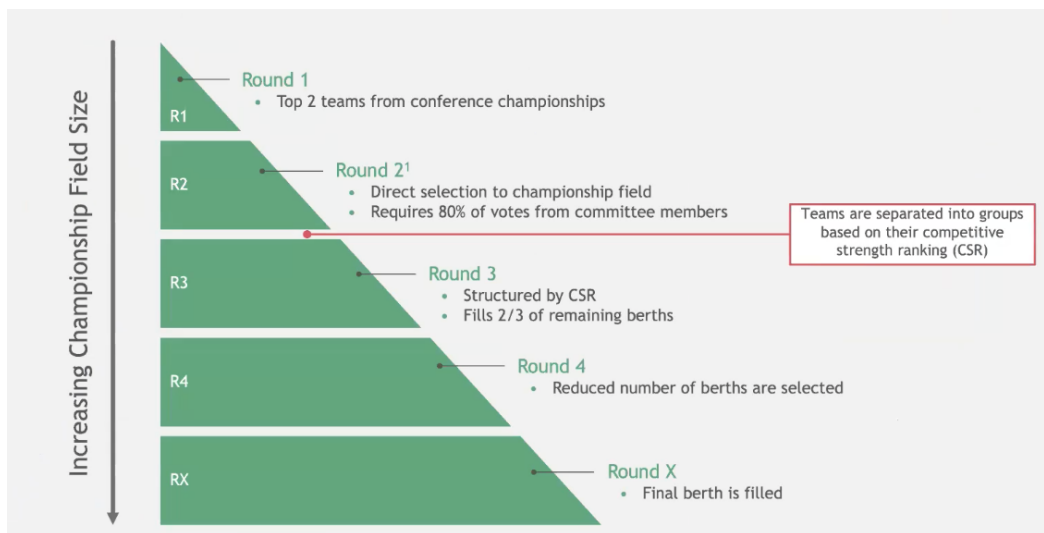
Selection Methods for Coed and Women's Fleet Race

- 1. A vote yes is approving the system with more work to be done and at the June meeting, new conditions will be approved for National Championships.
 - a. When you vote on Item 5, it is the package of the qualification system method: the schedule, the Showcase berths and this is the system to be used for Nationals qualifications

2. Performance Ranking

- a. Teams
 - i. Proper event identification
 - ii. No penalty for poor opponents
- b. Committees
 - i. Empirical data of performance
 - ii. Helpful with indirect comparisons
- c. Conferences submit schedule with recommended grading
- d. Committee forms gradings corresponding to each event
- e. Teams schedule event with full knowledge
- f. Points awarded based on finish/scale of event
 - i. Finishing place \times grading factor = total event score
 - ii. Finishing place points: 100 points for first, 10% decrease per position until 10th, 1% thereafter with 20+ getting 0 points
 - iii. Event grading: $G0=8x$, $G1=6.5x$, $G2=4.0x$, $G3=2.5x$, $G4=1.5x$, $G5=1x$
- g. All teams ranked high-low with only top-6 events

3. Selection Process



- a. Round 3 category uses the performance ranking system and the committee members rank the individual teams and order them by averaging placing
 - i. Top $\frac{1}{3}$ advance, others return to CSR for the next round

4. Concerns

- a. Fair grading and access to regattas
 - i. Enough opportunities in each conference to reach a competitive strength ranking without needing to leave the conference
 - ii. Committee modeling - finishing top 4 at 6 grade 3 events would put them in the top 50 field

5. More work to be done on the grading, etc. but we would like to have this framework going forward

- a. Need ICSA approval to work with Carl Zimba to do the computer ranking program and automate (\$2500)
 - i. The \$2500 fee is a one-time set-up fee and the annual, maintenance fee will be determined

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

- 1. All ICSA Championship venues/host sites must have Anti-Discrimination Policy or By-Law that expressly forbids discrimination on the basis of someone's race, color, national origin, religion, creed, sex, gender identity (including gender expression), sexual orientation or disability
 - a. Once voted in, would start working with hosts to make sure this is included and work with TIDE - want to do this well ahead of time

Items the Committee will be Addressing in the Spring

- 1. Selection Method of ICSA Coed and Women's Team Racing National Championships
- 2. Host Rotation for ICSA Women's Team Race Nationals

Questions

- 1. Grading Criteria
 - a. Regattas will not be "downgraded" for scoring
 - b. Regattas would not go from a Grade 3 to a Grade 2 if more competitive teams show up but rather an increase in the multiplier
 - c. Ceiling/Floor Concept
 - i. Regional events: G3 floor with G1 ceiling
 - d. Still a work in progress
 - i. Conference Championships could be at different grades
 - ii. There would not be requirements to have a certain number of certain grade events in each conference

Motion to approve the Championship Competition Committee Report in its entirety as amended in the previous motion. [Brindley]

- A. Seconded by Higgins
- B. Motion passes

Communications and Website (Klevan)

1. Not too much to update on, thank you to the group that worked on the videos
2. Allison working with ICSA TIDE to get graphics up to date and off the ground
3. Ready to cover events with social media and press releases
4. Dana: thank you Allison!

Eligibility (Griswold)

No update

Interconference Regattas (Richards)

The spreadsheet can be accessed [here](#). Committee working to implement a new schedule and indicate all appropriate rankings.

Procedural Rules (McDonald)

Posted updates for the Fall and making sure all RRS references line up as well as membership level references

RRS Quadrennium update: changes for SI/NOR requirements, Rule 42 specifications

Ad-Hoc Committee Reports

By-Laws Committee (Fisher/Wilkinson)

Everything in by-laws approved and published on the website, to make the language consistent in Article 10, Section 1

2021 Transition Committee (Tobleman)

Motion to amend the ICSA 2021 and Beyond motions passed in January 2020 as follows:

Amend Motion 2A by replacing “June 2021” with “December 31, 2022”

Amend Motion 2B(i) by replacing “June 2021” with “December 31, 2022”

Amend Motion 2B(ii) to state “Draft proposals shall be presented to the Board of Directors at the Winter 2022 meeting. Proposals will be voted on at the winter 2022 meeting with final amendments to be voted on at the Spring 2022 meeting.”

Amend 2B(iii) by replacing “effective June 2021” with “effective January 1, 2023”

Amend 2D(i) by replacing all of 2D(i) with “Each cross regional and regional event shall have representation from each conference with members from that classification”

Amend 4A by replacing “January 2021” with “January 2022”

Shut-down in College Sailing for the past year and potentially longer for many teams, aggressive timeline with 2021 Beyond, proposing postponement in effective date (mainly cancellation of current berth allocation), granting berths to conferences that have regional/cross-regional members, fulfillment of building out committees with proper representation (doesn't sound like anyone has submitted people)

1. This proposal delays the implementation by 1 year and that the work just passed will be cutoff and proposals get voted on next year, with amendments voted on next Spring
 - a. This would disregard the past year of work on the Committee - one that Brian sits on
2. General discussion ensued
 - a. Delays the implementation date of the suspension of the berth allotment change
 - i. If a full, complete Nationals allotment system is presented before then and voted in, it can be implemented
- 3.

Executive Director Committee (Pedlow)

Original goal of survey - inform and determine roles the individual would play, other funding avenues
Suspended work on search over the summer, uncertainty around the hire.

2020 ICSA Team Survey: 45% of teams are more than 50% women

- COVID is causing team size contraction
- College sailing is bringing people to the sport - we are ambassadors
- Competitive opportunities all they care about versus recreational to some degree
- Developing coaching resources is key
- How can ICSA keep diminishing university support (due to COVID) from impacting team long term
- 60% club / 52% varsity are not leveraging philanthropy (non-university dependent so more should be leveraging)
- Varsity and club teams are looking for the same things
- Sailing can serve as a differentiating factor - leverage these exceptional students (advertise as such to college admins)
- All-Academic: sailors = exceptional students, capturing this as a data point
- Data showing sailing does not just happen in College (but before and after)
- There is a lot of info here to dig into more
- Techscore
 - Seems underutilized, should leverage more
 - Interfacing HS to College to Adult/US sailing
 - Tracking membership, alumni, etc.
- Dues/Revenue Questions
 - Individual dues?
 - Sponsorship, marketing
- Key Takeaways
 - Brings women's participation and our teams bring people to our schools
 - COVID impact - funding and rosters
 - ICSA role, resilient team funding model

- Question for data: what is happening with the 20% not participating - leave of absence? Returning to the same school or different?
- Decreased team events = lower retention
- Coaching development
- Equitable revenue model and leveraging individual information in database

Comms with Exec Comm on when to greenlit

- Revenue model may need to go hand in hand

Women's Committee (Assad)

Points question: if these FR events become TR, how will people get enough points for Nationals?

- Fall events count, 3 big FR still, developing on other levels
- With new structure, women's teams are always welcome at coed events so this is another avenue to create opportunities

Ad Hoc Recruiting (Assad)

1. Transfer Legislation: At this time, the committee does not see the need for extensive transfer legislation. We cannot achieve consensus on what is best. Input sought from the Board and greater ICSA.
 - Few isolated, anecdotal cases so we are moving past this with good regs in place
2. College Nights:
 - The Recruiting Committee aims to utilize the existing college night structure with the following objectives:
 - i. Standardize the communications through the use of a universal slide deck for college nights.
 - ii. Educate prospective student-athletes about the ICSA's policies for recruiting and communication timelines.
 - iii. control the narrative with prospective students and their families.

- Plan of Action: [Katherine Jones of New York Maritime]
 - i. Utilize existing “College Nights” to create a series of 4-6 “[Virtual College Nights](#)” every calendar year.

1. Use Class Associations, US Sailing, HS Sailing, and Regional Sailing

Associations to promote these and encourage all students interested in pursuing college sailing to attend, beginning their first year of High School.

a. Ideally this becomes an expectation/requirement for HS first-years and sophomores before the communication phase.

2. Have an ICSA Recruiting Committee Representative at each college night to monitor communications.

3. Have a stable of Alumni and Former coaches who do not represent current programs to do the bulk of the presentation.

ii. Allow in-person college nights to continue, but emphasize the “table” approach (institutional representatives at tables, with the attendee population educated about ICSA rules and regs around recruiting). These can be scheduled in conjunction with a virtual night (ie: Orange Bowl Virtual Presentation Dec 27, In-Person College night Dec 28).

iii. Discourage the “Pitch Your Program” style college nights.

iv. Work with independent stake-holders to modify their college night program to match our objectives.

c. See posted Slide Deck, which is a work in progress.

There needs to be some kind of centralized comms or marketing expertise so that there is uniformity across the board

- Oversight of things that are public facing

July 1st prior to Junior Year in initial

June 15th as per NCAA

Move to change initiation of contact to June 15th

ICSA TIDE (Radke)

ICSA has been slow but TIDE has been making great strides

NEISA, MAISA, SAISA TIDE, West Coast going live and trying to get MCSA live

Undergraduate driven, Preston as a driving force

Welcome coaches and external advisors, appreciate all help with it

Dedicated to fostering diverse and inclusive sailing community where all members represented and supported - racially, gender, sexuality

Impressed with representation across the country as well

Started in June, accomplished a lot so far

Starboard Portal in December, a lot of good feedback

NEISA/MAISA - proposed or passed by-law changes (pronoun use)

Education: almost every NEISA team has gone through a training created by TIDE

SAISA has subcommittee working on it too

Hoping to expand more on community sailing - trying to push but based on various factors it's not a great time

Affinity groups - loosely TIDE related but great for people to come together - ICSA Sailors of Color Coalition; LGBTQ+ Affinity Group [both on FB, if people aren't on FB they should email the addresses in meeting minutes] BIPOC@collegesailing.org, Pride@collegesailing.org, equity@collegesailing.org

TIDE Culture and Demographic Report - should be coming out soon, going into editing process

Sub-Committees:

Working on materials for coaches and student leaders

Old Business

LaserPerformance Collegiate Cup/BUSA Tour (Higgins)

Typically sending team over to England, on hold due to COVID, talking to Karen Thomas, agreed to postpone to Summer 2022 at the earliest

What we want to get out of the tour going forward, formalizing a format and have more refined

1. Exact days
2. Where events are located
3. What type of vehicle to rent
4. Hoping to be more professional

TR Champs for LPCC was great, can we get LP to sponsor the US team even if they don't win the regatta - spread opp more broadly

Sailing World Rankings (Clancy)

No update

New Business

Amend Motion 2 from 2021 & Beyond to include berth allocations for SEISA in ICSA National Championships, Cross-Regional, and Regional events (Higgins)

Last winter, moving towards new competitive based

Far more detrimental than anticipated, no direct path for SEISA aside from Fall Champs

Request

1. Amend Motion from "2021 & Beyond" to include berth allocations for SEISA in ICSA National Championships, Cross-Regional, and Regional events.

Amend such that:

a). Effective June 2021, replace section 2.1 of the General Conditions to National Championships with "MAISA, MCSA, NEISA, PC, SAISA, & SEISA conferences shall be awarded a number of berths at each National Championship Regatta"

c) Effective June 2021, implement a Nationals Berth Allotment system based on competitive strength of teams that, minimally, results in representation from MAISA, MCSA, NEISA, PC, SAISA, & SEISA at each National Championship Regatta (including any and all Semi-Final Regattas).

And to include appropriate representation at Cross-Regional and Regional Regattas

SEISA to be added to list of automatic berths for Nationals in the same manner as the 5 other conferences

Not asking for automatic berths allocations for SEISA for Cross-Regional and Regional events

- Agreed upon in the 21 Beyond vote a year ago so what changed and why is this coming up now?
- Transition Comm
- Believe in competition based formula, now do not agree with the dissolution of SEISA
- More competitive conference than the others that have not won in the past 5 years
 - If NWICSA was to propose, on them to show they brought a competitive element
 - SEISA has proven this
- Point to consider - should not exclude a single conference
 - SEISA gets a berth and NWICSA doesn't - looks bad for us as an organization
 - Not a single action, lots of repercussions
- Clarification - gave path for SEISA and NWICSA to get berths to Regional and Cross-Regional events and there is a pathway to get to Nationals from this
 - SEISA is one competitive Varsity team, so why should we let Tulane just sign up for Nationals each year
 - Cross-Regional and Regional built out for Fleet but not single-handed, match or team racing
 - In particular, Fall Championships, no reason to not have an automatic berth
- What single-handed regattas are you not getting into
- No other Cross-Regional teams in SEISA
 - Texas A&M could qualify but have gone through a lot of leadership changes
- Out of conferences not winning Nationals, why are we cut? Going after MCSA and their results
- MCSA has a history of great leadership, always pay dues
- SEISA did not have a MR Championship and because no other teams wanted to go, able to enter
 - Team that went beat teams from other conferences
- Last year - path to SEISA to become part of SAISA in 3 division structure to help take away burden
 - Many other sports announce AQs later in season and not all get them

Moving the Fleet Race National Championship to the fall, and the implementation of a Fleet Race National Invitational Tournament to be held in the Spring for Regional and Fundamental level membership teams. (Higgins)

2. Motion to discuss moving the Fleet Race National Championship to the fall, and the implementation of a Fleet Race National Invitational Tournament to be held in the Spring for Regional and Fundamental level membership teams.

SEISA believes for the best interest in the long term development of the majority of teams in the ICSA, a National Invitational Tournament regatta (NIT) with representation from all conferences with teams at the Fundamental and Regional membership level is beneficial and is in keeping with the core values of ICSA. In doing so we also propose that the Women's and Coed Fleet Race National Championships be moved to the end of the Fall Season.

1. Eligibility for the NIT
 - a. This event would be open to teams only at the Fundamental and Regional membership levels.
 - b. Teams that have qualified for the Coed National Championships are not eligible.
2. Scheduling
 - a. We recommend that the NIT be scheduled at or near the end of the Spring Season-after weekend 11, potentially coinciding with the Spring National Championships, but at a different venue
 - b. Move the Fleet Race National Championships to the Fall, utilizing the current ACC's format, on Weekends 6-9.

Rationale

-The majority of teams in the ICSA compete at the Fundamental and Regional levels, and 70% of the teams in the ICSA have not competed in a Spring National Championship in the past 5 years-further historical data likely will not show a substantial change in this percentage. Moving the Fleet Race National Championships to the Fall allows teams that aspire to compete in both Fleet and Team Racing at the highest levels to do so. It allows the rest to focus on team development throughout the year while providing a meaningful end of season national event to aspire to.

-Regional teams would still have the opportunity to qualify for the Fleet Race National Championships, and if they do not they will still have the opportunity to qualify for the team race championships while remaining eligible for the NIT regatta.

-Fundamental and Regional teams can potentially use this format to show their growth when applying for a move in the membership to a higher category.

-Regional and Fundamental level Fleet Race regattas would continue throughout the Spring, enabling teams from all three levels of membership to compete throughout the year in this discipline.

-With the addition of Women's Team Racing, growing the discipline into an already crowded schedule of Cross-Regional Women's Fleet Racing may prove difficult. This is particularly true for women that compete in coed competition as well.

-Removing the long Fleet Race National Championships from the Spring helps alleviate a hugely expensive event, that particularly hits the bottom of the championship field the hardest. Most years teams toward the bottom of the nationals field are committed to expending vast resources for minimal competition. These resources would be better suited toward team development rather than days at a championship but not competing.

-Opens an opportunity to place the Women's and Coed Team Race National Championships within the traditional spring season, likely taking place between Weekends 12-14. Without fleet race Cross-Regional events, as well as fleet race Conference Championships, the beginning of the Spring Season would not need to be started earlier than it currently does.

-The Fall Season would essentially remain its current length, and the Spring would potentially be shorter. This would also help all teams avoid the far more expensive current Spring National Championship dates and format.

We don't look at this as something that is a hard agreement from the standpoint that everything could be taken separately but want to get a discussion with other conferences and get other opinions.

Questions + Discussions

1. Multiple groups that would need to deal with this
 - a. Adding a new Nationals event
 - b. Moving Nationals to a different date
2. Meant to be a discussion topic not the adoption of something new
3. NIT for teams that didn't make Nationals but there will be teams that choose not to travel
 - a. May be a good primer for venues that wouldn't be good to go for hosting the whole block
 - b. Fall Schedule challenge - we have a lot of schools that operate on trimesters
 - i. Would be difficult to accelerate the timeline for some teams
4. Support for NIT, have discussed before and would love to see it happen (Brian Tobleman would sit on Ad-Hoc Comm)
 - a. With competitive rankings, will already have infrastructure for it
5. Good opp for fundraising and having goal when reaching out to alum with NIT
6. The later in the Fall you go, limitations in where you can host the event which could make conference rotations more difficult
7. Realities to face - Spring is packed, Fleet Racing is an afterthought for most teams that end up at Nationals finals, Women's TR has to end earlier too, Nationals is too long and very expensive
8. Looked at this as the majority of ICSA is not looking to Nationals for what season will be
 - a. Teams in FR finals, do not FR much during the Spring - important to note
 - b. Teams still want to FR in Spring, this doesn't diminish it (no reason for them to go anywhere)
 - c. Worthwhile to move it back to the Fall
9. NEISA support from Top 10 that do a lot of TR

- a. In the Fall, hard to fit without lengthening season
 - b. We don't want to have Nationals in the dark, in the cold
 - c. Discussed overlapping Championships women's fleet/team overlap with coed fleet/team
10. Split Seasons: separate FR/TR but about to go into new championship format and structure of choosing how people get to Nationals
- a. This could be a good convo to continue but revisit after new cycle
11. Shortening Nationals
12. Continue conversation more offline, conundrum to not just waiting but Women's TR existing outside of season - equity issues we need to address

Discussion Ended

Work with committee to define some procedures for Ad Hoc to look at this because there are a lot of impacts from this, will work with Exec Comm in coming weeks to ID a real mission for them to look at Traction for NIT type event, may work well with other things being done

Chair - Zac Leonard

Other Volunteer - ???

Greg Wilkinson and Medical Advisory Panel

*Take screenshot from 5:45 in recording

Bulk of work done, draft written on notes of ½ deliverable docs ICSA will get

Detailed medical guidance

2nd Doc: attestation form that will be signed prior to every competition by every ____

- As competing team, adhering to medical guidance
- Additional boxes for hosts, ensuring run in accordance with medical guidance

Risk profile: any active collegiate sport has this, ours isn't done by NCAA so done by medical advisory panel

There are a lot of protocols in place, we can run events with no interaction between unmasked individuals within 6'

Rigging - staggered time or very separated

Coaching on docks doesn't work, rotations will change by the day but not swaps with teams like in the past

Masks required at venue and on the water - Exec Comm asked if masks could be removed while sailors while racing only

2 PCR to compete: 72 hours prior to event and within one business day of conclusion of event

- If any positive, reporting obligation back to all opponents, HIPPA - name not reported, activity is reported, whether they sailed, etc.
- Reporting obligations if at any times you test positive and have competed for events 14 days prior to positive result

4 day event

- Reported by Burman

Medical Advisory will meet bi-weekly leading up to and during season

Vaccine recipients protocol - will go to panel, guess will stay in testing protocol and probably won't get anyone out of testing

If someone tests positive at their school, not supposed to test again for X amount of time (either 90 or 120 days) but we will probably see 90 days

Questions/Concerns:

Timeline to get procedures - end of this coming week, might have attestation form with it, guidance doc has been written for 2 day events and nothing in it for 4 day events, will be addendum and will go through only if doing event

Is there a single doc with all of this? By end of week

Cost for testing - part of entry fee or ICSA covering for Nationals - sharing expense

What is the plan for Nationals this year? Proceed with 3, 2 day events; probably done June 10th

- If kept 4 day, could be eliminated from event due to false positive

What is considered a mask? Will say face covering and that's it

Testing - no requirement on how it is done, must be PCR testing and have to sign off only travelling with negative people. Logistics and collection of data - centralized clearing house location, updates to come.

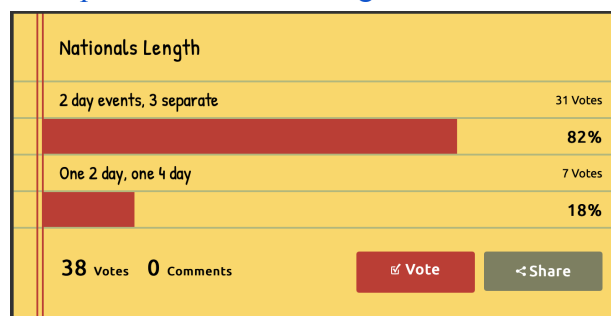
Often times the Host School wants to know it is all done and signed off on

Not HIPAA concern because it's a group of people complying

COVID attestation - not coaches, will be higher level with maybe a medical component

Form: are you adhering to protocol? Has testing happened? Will you test on the backend?

Strawpoll on Nationals Length



Feedback: 3, 2-day events will publish new plan to Admin, have to have enough time to turn around post-event for the next event's pre-testing

Order: team race, coed, women's?? **check**

Post-event test of event 2 as pre-event for event 3? All comes down to timing. Medical said put in 1 lay day and check on how fast Navy can turn around PCR tests

Board Call in Fall: based on formula with 18 teams and relative to number of schools that have submitted their documents by 4/16, not conference report numbers but only those agreeing to compete

Looking at weekend off probably, can't turn around PCR in 1 day - will be 2 to 3 day turnaround and figuring out testing for everyone in Annapolis

How quick will Nationals berth allocation turnaround be?

Counting declarations as submitted and once numbers are verified, berth allocations within the week

Formula: in conditions, not total # teams, only teams that have submitted their forms

Same existing formula

Operational policy as directed by ICSA Exec Comm for all events

Appointment of the Nominating Committee (Brindley)

Chaired by ICSA VP - Preston Anderson

Asking the following to serve

Dillon Paiva

Blaine Pedlow

Ali Blumenthal

Adam Warblow

Nominating Committee fills Board Officers (Pres, Sec, Treasurer, 3 At-Large Positions)

Standing Committee participants/representatives

Fill additional positions to meet profile

Scheduling of Next Meeting & Adjournment (Anderson)

Zoom Meeting - depends on Nationals

Traditional - Saturday May 22nd, aiming for this

May need to amend by-laws to do Zoom for AGM **notice for this, one month from today**
electronic vote

Meeting Adjourned: 6:12pm EST