

**IOD WCA Call
1-14-16**

Present: Peter Rugg, Kin Yellott, Charlie Van Voorhis, Lars Berntsson, Jennifer Miller

In Attendance: Rick Thompson, John Burnham, David Schoeder

Minutes from last call Dec. 15th 2015 approved unanimously.

2016 Championship: Paul is not available for the call.

He has posted a new NOR. There are a couple of minor things that need to be changed and are under discussion with Charlie and John Burnham.

We need some clarification on housing plans.

We need to adjust Championship Regs as to when we require qualification results to give the host fleet enough leeway to plan. We will put this on the agenda for the next meeting. David Schoeder to compile updates for class approval at next AGM.

Treasurer's Report: We sold one book. Kin sent a separate treasurer's report. In the states it costs \$5 to ship one book in the US. The only recurring expenses are the website, and a fee to US Sailing. How much are we supposed to pay Lyman Morse to store the molds (Kin will call either Herb Motley, or Cabot Morse to follow up)?

Committee Reports:

Strategic Planning: (Rick) We need to use the book as a tool. Use our alums, Americas Cup winners/participants. Lars has restored a boat that will be displayed at the Gottenberg boat show in Sweden. Rick is working with Nicole on this. He sent out two types of questionnaires around the fleet to see what people are thinking. Many of the responses are very positive. Other questionnaires have been sent to sailors who do not normally race IODs but have participated in Invitationals.

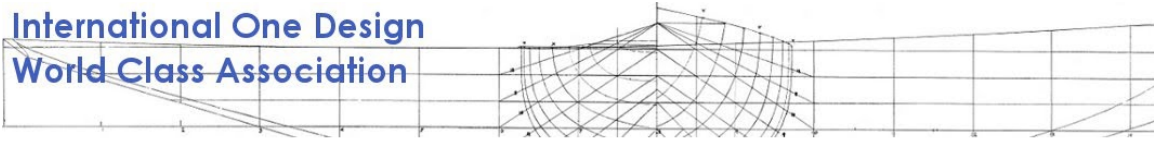
Rick sees the strategic committee focusing on three things—1) planning for the future, 2) reconnecting the fleets with the WCA, 3) helping the weaker fleets regenerate themselves

He referred to revitalizing the Bermuda fleet in the '70s which led to Jordy Walker getting the Gold Cup there which has likely led to the Americas Cup there.

We need to focus on our boat building future in North America.

Nominating: (John) Task is to create a slate for the 2016 AGM. The goal is to complete it by May. They met in December. The focus is on leadership development and fleet representation for 2016 and 2017 as some people might not be available right now. Looking for an assistant treasurer to help Kin. The committee is looking for input for candidates. The committee consists of John Burnham, Dannie Lawson, Martin Rhygg, David Rockefeller, Sacha Simmons

Communications: Nicole was not on the call.



Technical: (Charlie) One call with Shawn Mulrone and Craig Davis. Two tasks are to review the #82 Appeal, and what rules need to be tweaked for equipment rules across all fleets. Craig and Shawn will use their class rules to incorporate into the WC rules. The technical committee should focus on the weight distribution and balance when the boats are built. It is difficult to measure, but we need to maintain uniformity with original wooden boats.

Potential Molds Transfer: Peter had a discussion with Shawn about moving the molds to Canada. The preliminary cost estimate on moving is \$5,000. The WCA has paid it in the past. We have \$18,000 in the bank. We need to find a building agreement. Lars has an agreement signed by Peter Rugg when the molds were moved from Scotland Charlie has copies of Chris Hood contract and others and will share. Peter will spearhead. Rick and Kin will draft a resolution/contract on moving the molds and finding the costs to move them to Canada. Containers will have to be build-Shawn can build them. Shawn has the material specs and has priced materials which were sent from Charlie. We have to clarify that he has the right data.

World Sailing/ISAF: The ISAF Equipment Committee wasn't happy with IOD Class after their change in regulations. Class is not presently a member of World Sailing. If we are not involved with World Sailing, it might inhibit the growth of the class. We should consider re-applying by March. Worries include Gold Cup, PROs judges, Olympic coaches (ie, Jonathan Farrar) backlash. We do not want to be perceived as a rogue class. Peter will have another discussion with Jobson and Kowalyshin about the potential issues and try and get their promise that they won't penalize those that deal with us. Rick will have a report by March 1st, (benefits vs. costs). Peter will have a further conversation with Gary Jobson. There is a 6 page ISAF form on a class becoming official.

Other Business: None

Next Call: Thursday, February 11th 10:30 NY Time/15:30Z

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