Minutes
IOD WCA Executive
2016.09.22

Present: Charlie Van Voorhis, Peter Rugg, Sacha Simmons, Roy Weedon, Bill Dowling, Steve Maderia

In Attendance:

Minutes from 2016.08.04 approved subject to changes reported to Roy; CVV, 2nd BD, unanimous.

Report on 2016 Worlds: Executive agreed to not respond to recent email from the west coast. Discussion of format and alternatives, NOR, SI’s not respecting the Class Championship Regs. with non-approved changes to the Class Rules. On the water work went relatively well. Social schedule was good and well attended. Peter announced that there is a button on the web to submit surveys on the event. Agreed to circulate AGM Minutes to fleets after final edits by Roy. Peter thanked Roy for circulations Chris Gould article on the event, and will ask Chris for permission to post on the web. Charlie submitted a report on the history and legality of water in boats going back to Arthur Knapp’s book. Discussion raised concerns and the possibility of local fleets treating the issue differently. The Technical Committee is charged with review and reporting to the Executive on clarification of the Class Rules on water weight.

Treasurer’s Report:
Former Treasurer continues to obstruct orderly transition. No record of payment from certain fleets who may have paid. Bill has sent documents for new account to members of the Executive for signature, and affirmation of bank resolution.

Matters Arising:
San Fran Agreement – Peter had complied with terms on affirmation of status of San Francisco Fleet, and an apology. Resignation of newly elected members of the Executive was discussed. Steve offered to step down and the offer was rejected with 3 Nay votes and 2 abstentions, after discussion that there was really little overlap or contention between the role of the Treasurer and that of a VP representing NEH. It was decided that since Steve recused himself that there was quorum and a majority. Others spoke of the requirement to retain Charlie’s experience and wisdom on technical issues. Lars, via email made the point that the Executive cannot remove those voted in by the class.

Way Forward – Peter outlined the process where the Nominating Committee could designate candidates to fill vacancies, and the President could call a special meeting on 60 days notice to vote on the slate. Peter will review with the Nominating Committee. Executive Observers – Peter suggested that fleets without a member of the Executive have the option to appoint an observer. With no objection from the other members, this will be implemented.

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Constitution clarification – Recognizing that certain parts of the constitution may be open to different interpretations, Peter asked that we form a subcommittee to draft clarifying changes. Steve Madera agreed to take the lead, and Peter suggested that Bob Duffy and Charlton Rugg could add value to the process. Roy was asked to draw up a timeline of steps necessary for the successful adoption of the changes. The subject of an AGM at a time other than the world championship was raised. The sub-committee will consider this, as well as the notice and voting procedures.

Rules Clarification – Charlie noted that the Technical has several points of clarification to put in the rules. This will be done for one of the next 2 Executive meetings, and is targeted for adoption 2017 JAN 1.

Other Business:

Recruitment: Peter is looking for recruits for Hall of Fame committee, Communications to support Nicole Butterworth, Technology for the implementation of a web driven membership list via www.WildApricot.com, and an additional European Measurer.

Appointments: Under Article 6 of the Constitution, Peter made the follow in appointments:

Technical Committee, Charlie Van Voorhis, Chair, Craig Davis, Shawn Mulrooney, and Lars Berntssen; moved by Roy, 2nd Sacha, carried.

Nominating Committee – David Rockefeller, Sacha Simmons, and others yet to come

Class Measurers - Kevin Farrar, Jim Thompson, Bruce Dyson, and Lars Berntssen

that were moved by Roy and 2nd by Bill, for unanimous approval.

Adjourned 1210 NY Time.

Next Call: Wednesday, October 20th 11:00 NY Time (1500Z)
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