

IOD WCA CALL
9-24-15

Roll Call: Jenn Miller, Charlie van Voorhis, Herb Motley, Peter Rugg, Lars Bernsston, Kin Yellott, Sacha Simmons, David Schoeder

Worlds: No one from Nantucket is on the call. We will have them write up a summary for the next call.

SF Appeal: Kin was in SF last week and looked at Youngster. The mast had been moved 3 ½ inches forward. Looked at the Pierce brothers' boat as well. Mast on Youngster is raked too far forward, but could be moved back easily. Everyone agrees that the boat complies with WCA rules. A specific paragraph in the SF rules regarding altering a boat is the issue. Dannie appointed Mike Posey the head of the appeals committee who tried to speak with the SF people at the Worlds but no progress was made. SF thinks the SF rules supercede WC rules. Charlie is waiting for Craig to get back to him about what the appeals committee needs to get clarification from the Exec. Charlie is trying to get in touch with Craig-he's probably off island. *Does the appeals committee feel that the WC has authority to weigh in to a fleet matter?* We should have an amendment that says that the WC can weigh in. Fleet rules in SF say you must have AT LEAST 3 notches on the chain plate, Ron has 4. He never asked for permission to change where the shrouds are attached to the chain plates. It's clear in the Constitution that if there is a technical issue, the WC technical committee rules, and that occurred. SF fleet is ignoring the WC. Ron should ask for retroactive permission to make the changes to comply with the SF rules? SF Fleet is in violation of rule 2 in the RRS "fair sailing". Plate 8 in the rules has been around since at least the 50's. Waiting to hear from Craig, waiting for a report from Mike, to hear about the committee's specific concerns.

David has spoken to Craig and Mike. There is a provision where you can appeal to the tech committee and that committee shall rule. This is for the gray area of a technical issue. Again, we have to wait for them.

Committees: We will establish some committees on the next call. We could create some ad hoc committees as well. One will be to maintain the website.

New Officers: Substitution of the slate of officers was not presented to the WCA before being presented at the AGM in Nantucket.

Herb and Bob Duffy had several concerns about a clear line of succession. Herb began raising the issue of officers for the following year at the Norway Worlds, but had not complied with the 45 day rule. This year, Charlie suggested that Peter Rugg come on board as a VP for one year for a smooth transition and Charlie would move down to technical chair. When Sacha was approached about the new slate it was too late to have any input. David and Jennifer were not approached. Dannie Lawson has agreed to participate in whatever the class says is in its best interest. The nomination and slate of officers was Herb's responsibility to bring to the exec prior to 45 days of the AGM. This was never done. There is a motion by Charlie and a 2nd by Sacha to accept the new slate. It is carried unanimously. There is a motion to recognize Dannielle for her

service to the Class by Peter, 2nd by Sacha. Motion carried unanimously. Peter will write a draft and Charlie will edit. We will nominate her for the Shields Trophy next year at the SF Worlds. We should ask her to continue on the calls as most recent past president.

We should tighten up the governing of the group to adhere more closely to the rules of the Constitution.

Lars is going to meet with Asbjorn Johnsen this week to clarify what Asbjorn was asking for regarding who is able to be invited to the Worlds.

Jenn will email fleet captains for lists of members in each fleet. Kin is paid up as a member at large.

We will invite Paul Zupan from SF onto the next call.

Next Call: Friday, October 16th

Agenda: SF Worlds, Committee appointments, Clarification from Asbjorn, Review of Nantucket Worlds