

**IOD WCA Call
12-15-15**

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

In Attendance: Paul Zupan, David Schoeder

Minutes from last call Nov. 20th approved unanimously.

2016 Worlds: SF July date is still a possibility, but not likely and they will find out 1/21 with the SFYC meeting. They took a poll of the fleets and out of all the fleets, only four, Bermuda, Fishers, Chester, Marblehead, haven't responded yet. Others are planning to attend. Defending champ can decide in July. Sweden, Nan, NEH, LIS, Norway 1&2, SF and St. Mawes are planning to attend. NEH and Nantucket can send up to 3 if there are invitations. Exec sent a letter to SF fleet November 10th asking them to address concerns. They were going to hold a meeting to discuss, but have not had the meeting yet.

Treasurer's Report: No change from last month. Kin owes us an expense list and 2016 budget. We will collect approximately \$7k dues. We have \$18k in the bank now. Non recurring expenses have been for shipping and engraving trophies. We paid a fee to USSailing.

Committee Reports:

Rick is working on strategic planning, will report in January.

Nominating committee has agreed that John Burnham will be the chair. Sacha joined the call after we addressed this point. She will update us next call.

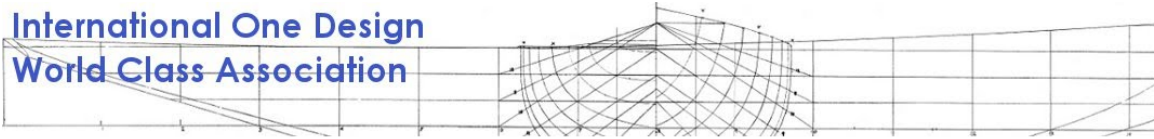
Nicole not on the call, but website is updated. She wants to write features every month. Nothing new from Charlie on the technical committee.

Appeal #82:

Charlie has not gotten any more correspondence from Ron. How can we resolve this? Charlie doesn't think the appeals committee looked at all the rules in the constitution. SF says they do not need the boat to host the Worlds. Since the Exec has already ruled that the boat is a legal, the WCA cannot permit a local fleet to cause us to fail in our mission to grow the class.

Peter will draft a letter from the WCA and send to the Exec for approval saying that the boat meets the requirements for racing and should be allowed to race. Local fleet rules may need to be corrected to grow class numbers and active participation. Any perceived rule violation should be adjudicated by protest through the organizing authority of the relevant event, in accordance with the Racing Rules of Sailing.

David Schoeder will come up with changes to the rules to avoid this type of issue going forward. They will be voted on at the AGM after being disseminated to the fleets.



Worlds/NAs Rotation: Regarding SF fleet hosting the 2016 Class Championship, exceptions to the Championship regulations will be specifically authorized by the Executive to accommodate the testing of a small fleet championship with qualifying races and a final series.

The Exec voted unanimously to approve SF to host the 2016 Worlds and work with them to run a successful regatta. Our approval does not currently include Addendum Q (on water umpiring). ISAF will issue new rules soon regarding Addendum Q. We might have modify the final form of Addendum Q to fairly accommodate using borrowed boats and how redress is applied.

Other Business:

Peter is having a call on Tuesday with Gary Jobson and ISAF to get permission to call our regatta a Worlds.

Next Call: Thursday, January 14th 10:30 NY Time

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