

US SAILING Board of Directors Meeting  
January 23, 2012  
Teleconference

Present: Ed Adams, Dean Brenner, Bruce Burton, Walt Chamberlain, Susan Epstein, Secretary Fred Hagedorn, George Hinman, Stan Honey, Vice President Tom Hubbell, President Gary Jobson, Treasurer Leslie Keller, Maureen McKinnon-Tucker, Dawn Riley, and non-voting Ex Officio members, Executive Director Jack Gierhart.

Regrets: John Craig and House of Delegates Chair, Jim Walsh.

- 1) The meeting was called to order by President Jobson at 7:33 pm EST.
- 2) Secretary Hagedorn called the Roll and announced that a quorum was present.
- 3) Announcements
  - a) none.
- 4) Consent Calendar  
The approval of the Consent Calendar was **MOVED**, Seconded and APPROVED. The following were therefore approved:
  - a) Minutes from January 14, 2012
- 5) President's Report – President Jobson expressed his appreciation for the hard work on January 14 in Long Beach, “we had a good day.” Jobson shared that the Governance Review group will begin work on January 30, and will report their findings at our April 20 meeting in Rhode Island. The Olympic Director job description is just about done and will be shared with the board over the next week. Charley Cook will also join us on April 20 with an ISAF Update. We have set up an awards review task force led by Susan Epstein, and they will begin reporting progress in February. At our January 14 meeting we discussed combining the “spring meeting” with another US Sailing event or meeting – we will have an update on the Spring Meeting Task Force later in this meeting. Finally, the invitations have been mailed to attend the 2011 Rolex Yachtsman and Yachtswoman of the Year Luncheon at the St. Francis Yacht Club on February 22.
- 6) Treasurer's Report – Leslie Keller shared that she Jack Gierhart, Bobbi Warren and Budget Chair / Audit Committee member Nancy Glover, met about Audit and our options for 2012. We are seeing less of our current Audit Partner, paying more, and having to do much more work internally – a change may be necessary. Cash Flow is tight while we await the arrival of a large check that was mailed to us on January 17. As we close the books we will see some adjustments as we deal with outstanding invoices.
- 7) Olympic Report – Chairman Brenner noted that the 2012 Rolex Miami OCR is in progress. This event also serves as the second and final selection event for the Paralympic Team. Very pleased with attendance at our event, we had expected 400 and 535 are sailing at the RMOCR. The big topic of conversation is the future of the World Cup Series. In addition, Brenner had a good meeting with the Miami US Sailing Center leadership.

8) Old Business –

- a) It was MOVED, Seconded and APPROVED to name Bert Rice as the Chair of the Multihull Championship Committee:
- b) Report of the Spring Meeting Task Force – Jack Gierhart reported that the task force (himself, Mark Hanson, Brian Hawboldt, Joy Siegel and Susan Epstein) met this past week. They discussed strengthening communication tools for our committees and councils. They are recommending placing the “Spring Meeting” in conjunction with another US Sailing property such as the NSPS, Yacht Club Summit, or other Winter/Spring US Sailing event. This concept is unanimously endorsed by the task force, a formal proposal is expected to be ready in February, or as soon as the details are worked out.

9) New Business – None

10)The meeting went into Executive Session at 8:10 pm EST

11)The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm EST.

Respectfully submitted,

Frederick H. Hagedorn  
Secretary