In attendance: Board: Josh Adams, Steve Benjamin, Vice President Bruce Burton, JJ Fetter, Executive Director Jack Gierhart, George Hinman, President Tom Hubbell, Secretary Patty Lawrence, Sheila McCurdy, Maureen McKinnon, Ben Richardson, Dawn Riley, and Treasurer Taran Teague.

Regrets: John Craig and Dave Ullman

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 and the roll call established a quorum.

2. The Consent Calendar, which consisted of the June meeting minutes, was approved.

3. ISAF Submissions:
   - A motion was made and seconded to accept Rules Committee’s seven submissions.
   - A motion was made and seconded to accept the Offshore Special Regulations submission.
   - The Judges Committee vetted three candidates. A motion was made, seconded and passed to endorse the Grant Baldwin, Martin Ottenheimer, Paul Zupan as international judges.

4. In his President’s Report, Tom Hubbell requested feedback on the Strategic Initiatives and after one more editing opportunity, they be published. The Area E youth qualifier event had issues and Shannon Bush is leading the investigation team and will report back at the August meeting.

5. In the Executive Director’s Report Jack Gierhart relayed that:
   - Membership continues to edge forward but is not growing as fast as hoped.
   - The launch of the new website continues to go well.
   - The REACH program will be included as part of the Opti Nationals Championship.
   - Jack has been in contact with other NGB’s about initiatives that better support members. The US Sailing staff is excited about new initiatives.

6. Treasurer Taran Teague remarked on the memo sent to the Board that the primary person at Windhaven resigned for personal reasons. The Investment Oversight Committee continues to keep a watchful eye on the accounts. While performance is up for the year, it is an average performance. Stu Neff from Windhaven will be invited on the August call.

   The audit, with Tim Warren at Clifton Larson, CPAs Audit, has gone well and there will be a full report in August. The accounting procedure's manual needs to be coordinated and published.

7. Josh Adams provided the Olympic Report.
   - The youth sailors won two silver medals at Youth Worlds and Josh acknowledged Leandro Spina’s top notch coaching. The effort to integrate youth sailors with the Olympic team is also beneficial.
   - The girls skiff Pathway to the Olympics is being funded by new Medalist donors, Joan and Michael Mollerus.
• Guanabara Bay water testing continues as do recommendations from doctors who have provided solid advice. US Sailors will be in Rio de Janeiro in July for an Olympic test event.
• Ben Richardson noted that the High Performance Plan is under review and will be submit to USOC this summer. The Olympic Committee is actively working on Selection Procedures for the upcoming Olympics and Paralympics and will share details as they are come together over the rest of 2014 as their internal deadline is 12/31/14 for publishing.

7. Staff Connection and Division Report
• The Championship Division submitted a written report.
• Dan Nowlan reported for the Offshore division and described the assertive approaches on PHRF fleet membership plan. Georgia McDonald and Amy Larkin are part of this team.

8. Old Business
• Steve Benjamin conveyed that there was an excellent planning meeting on the Offshore Project with eighteen luminaries from around the country. Dobri Stojsic and Barry Linetsky facilitated. The report is due soon.
• Bruce Burton continues to make progress on the job description for the Regional Customer Service Representatives. The plan is to present the proposal to the Board, test it in 2-3 areas, refine it, and then roll out to the entire organization

Board members were given an opportunity to offer comments and reflections about the organization.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 PM EDT.

Respectfully submitted,
Patty Lawrence