



Executive Committee Meeting

July 31, 2000

Minutes

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the United States Sailing Association was held by telephone conference at 2000 (Eastern Time) on Monday, July 31, 2000. President Muldoon presided, and Secretary Everingham recorded the minutes.

1. **ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS.** All members of the Executive Committee were present except Ms. Baxter. Executive Director Terry Harper also was present.
2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES.** The minutes of the June 26, 2000 meeting of the Executive Committee were approved as distributed before the meeting.
3. **PRESIDENT'S REMARKS.** Mr. Muldoon reported that the National Boating Safety Council has asked US SAILING to name someone to sit on the council, and he requested suggestions.

Mr. Muldoon also reported on his first telephone conversation with Norman P. Blake, Jr., recently appointed as the Chief Executive Officer/Secretary General of the United States Olympic Committee. Funding issues, the Olympic and Amateur Sports Act of 1998 and its implementation by national governing bodies and grants were among the matters that they discussed.

4. **TREASURER'S REPORT.** Treasurer Lane discussed the financial statements for the eight-month period ended June 30, 2000 and the five-year summary of revenues and expenses (1996-2000), which were distributed to the Executive Committee by mail the week before the meeting.
5. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT.** The Executive Director's report was distributed before the meeting.
- 5a. **Membership Report** – Mr. Harper reviewed the statistical information as of July 31, 2000, which was distributed to the Executive Committee earlier in the day. We are ahead on total members year-to-date against last year but behind in renewals and organizational memberships.

The Executive Committee again discussed the failure or delay in issuing membership cards. Mr. Rosekrans will be reviewing this and other membership-related problems with the staff later in the week and will report to the Executive Committee at its next meeting.

- 5b. **USOC Joint Marketing Agreement** – Mr. Harper reviewed the terms of the proposed extension of the USOC joint marketing agreement that were discussed in his July 26 report to the Executive Committee. Mr. Haenel will make a recommendation to the Executive Committee at a future meeting.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 6a. **2001 Budget** – The Executive Committee discussed various budget-related issues, including the treatment of grants and “pass-throughs”. The Executive Director will distribute information about all grants and “pass-throughs” for discussion at the August 14 Executive Committee meeting.

Mr. Eissner will work with the staff to price IMS and Americap to cover both expenses and capital costs beginning in fiscal 2001.

Mr. Rosekrans to look at work-process issues.

The Executive Director will prepare and distribute a draft budget that meets the \$3.9 million expense cap and the 4% margin requirement in time for review and discussion at the August 14 Executive Committee meeting.

- 6b. **MIT License Agreement re: IMS** – Discussion deferred to the August 14 Executive Committee meeting.
- 6c. **Website Update** – Mr. Schoettle reported that the e-mail address capture has increased to 15,000. There have been only a modest number of *ussailing.net* e-mail subscribers. The website now is partially commerce-enabled (membership, for example).

7. NEW BUSINESS

7a. Laser Class – 2004 Olympics – See item 7b below.

7b. Submissions to ISAF – Mr. Cook presented ten submissions ([copies attached](#)) to ISAF for Executive Committee consideration, all of which were approved by the Executive Committee. Mr. Cook abstained from voting on the submission relating to equipment for the Women’s Match Racing event at the 2004 Olympic Games.

7c. Rolex International Women’s Keelboat Championship - Advertising – The Executive Committee took no action respecting advertising in this event.

7d. Changes to 403b Plan – Discussion deferred until the August 14 Executive Committee meeting.

8. ARTICLE 14 AND RRS 69 MATTERS – Mr. Everingham was excused and left the meeting, after which the Executive Committee and the Executive Director continued in executive session respecting Article 14 and RRS 69 matters. Mr. Harper kept separate minutes of the executive session.

The meeting adjourned. The next meeting will be by telephone conference call at 2000 (Eastern Time) on Monday, August 14, 2000.

J. Theodore Everingham, Secretary

Reporting Committee : Council
Other Committee: Events

2004 OLYMPIC GAMES

A Submission of the United States Sailing Association dated 31 July 2000

Proposal

That Council reaffirm the decisions taken at the 1999 and 2000 Annual Meetings to select the following events for the 2004 Olympic Games:

- Men's Boards
- Woman's Boards
- Multihull
- Woman's Double-Handed
- Men's Double-Handed
- Dinghy Open
- Woman's Single-Handed
- Men's Single -Handed
- Keelboat Open (Match/Fleet)
- Keelboat (Fleet)
- Keelboat Woman (Match)

Reasons

This slate of events for the 2004 Olympic Games was discussed in great detail by the Events Committee and Council at the 1999 and 2000 Annual Meetings. The slate is well balanced, reflects the distribution and range of sailing throughout the World and has been announced to the International Olympic Committee. MNAs have begun preparing for the 2004 Olympic Games based upon the decisions previously taken by Council. To change direction now, after having twice confirmed these events, would be disruptive and confusing for sailors and MNAs.

Reporting Committee: Council
Other Committee: Events

2004 OLYMPIC GAMES

A Submission of the United States Sailing Association dated 31 July 2000

Proposal

- A. US SAILING proposes that the Events Committee be asked to present a slate of equipment using the following procedure.
- B. Use preference voting by event in the following order:
1. Men's Board
 2. Women's Board
 3. Multihull
 4. Keelboat Open (Match/Fleet)
 5. Keelboat Men (Fleet)
 6. Keelboat Women (Match)
 7. Women's Single-Handed
 8. Men's Single-Handed
 9. Women's Double-Handed
 10. Men's Double-Handed
 11. Dinghy Open
- C. The ballot for each event should be in writing, and list all classes eligible for consideration in that event. Classes may be placed on more than one ballot.
- Ballots will not be counted unless a preference has been noted for each class listed.
- D. If a class has been selected for one of event, it is to be removed from the ballot for all of the events that follow.
- E. The slate presented by the Events Committee using the system outlined above is to be presented to the Council. Council will be asked to approve the entire slate, in a single up or down vote.

If Council rejects the slate, no classes are selected, and Council will be asked to follow the voting procedures outlined in B through D above to determine the equipment selected for each event.

Reason

The system for selecting equipment for the 2004 Olympic Games must be viewed by the entire sailing community as fair and easily understood. Preference voting by event, with all eligible classes on the same ballot, is easily understood and fair. Prior methods for the selection of equipment, such as pitting a single-handed boat against a double-handed boat, resulted in the elimination of events previously approved by Council. Preference voting is a far better method for determining the depth of support for a particular class. Also, by using written ballots, confusion among delegates whose native tongue is not English will be avoided.

Reporting Committee: Events
Other Committees: Women's
Match Racing

2004 OLYMPIC GAMES

A Submission of the United States Sailing Association dated 31 July 2000

Proposal

US SAILING proposes that the number of crew members in the Women's Match Racing event at the 2004 Olympic Games be three (3).

Reason

By limiting the crew to three, US SAILING believes that a larger number of MNAs will be willing and able to support teams. Also, by using a three (3) person boat, rather than a four (4) person boat, more boats will be able to compete at the 2004 Olympic Games. All of this will foster greater activity in women's match racing throughout the world.

Reporting Committees: Council
General Assembly
Other Committees: Constitution
International Classes Committee

REPRESENTATION BY INTERNATIONAL CLASSES AT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

A Submission of the United States Sailing Association dated 31 July 2000

The United States Sailing Association proposes to amend the Articles of Association (Constitution) of International Sailing Federation Limited in order to provide for the representation of ISAF classes at the General Assembly.

Current Article 38

38. The membership of the General Assembly shall consist of:
- (i) The President;
 - (ii) The seven Vice Presidents;
 - (iii) The Treasurer who, unless already a member in some other capacity, shall be an ex-officio non-voting member; and
 - (iv) One delegate appointed by each full member who shall be a national of or resident of the Country concerned.

Proposed

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 - (iv) One delegate appointed by each Full Member who shall be a national of or resident of the Country concerned; and
 - (v) Three delegates appointed by the International Classes Committee.**

Reasons

ISAF classes represent a significant constituency, which should be represented at the General Assembly.

Reporting Committee: Council
Other Committee: Events

2004 OLYMPIC GAMES

A Submission of the United States Sailing Association dated 31 July 2000

Proposal

US SAILING proposes that Council select all equipment to be used for the 2004 Olympic Games during the 2000 Annual Meeting.

Reason

Sailors and MNAs deserve the opportunity to prepare for the 2004 Olympic Games as effectively as possible. To delay a decision on the equipment to be used will make it more difficult for athletes to make commitments to compete since they will not know if the equipment to be selected at a later date will compliment their sailing abilities and strengths. A delay in this decision will be particularly burdensome to less well-funded countries which will be unable or unwilling to invest in the training of their athletes, and purchase of equipment, until the equipment has been selected.

Reporting Committee: Council
Other Committee: International Classes Committee
Sailing Committee
Racing Rules Committee

REGULATION 10.2.1(c) – EQUIPMENT RULES OF SAILING

A Submission of the United States Sailing Association dated 31 July 2000

Current Regulation

A set of Class Rules based on the Equipment Rules of Sailing conforming to the ISAF Standard Class Rules Format, or an alternative format, and approved by the Sailing Committee.

Proposed Regulation

A set of Class Rules, which may be based on the Equipment Rules of Sailing, and approved by the Sailing Committee.

Reason

As agreed by Council at the Mid-year 2000 meeting, the Equipment Rules of Sailing are voluntary for both existing and new ISAF classes. This was also voted by Council in November 1996, when the Equipment Rules of Sailing were adopted for classes wishing to use a model set of class rules.

The Preamble to the Equipment Rules of Sailing provide that they are voluntary.

The existing regulation conflicts with the actual status of the Equipment of Rules of Sailing and the votes of Council. The proposed change to Regulation 10.2.1(c) was approved in principal by Council in at the Mid-year meetings in Cyprus.

Reporting Committee: Council

REGULATION 4.5 - ADVERTISING CODE

A Submission of the United States Association dated 31 July 2000

Current Regulation

- 4.5 For club or invitational events the organizing authority may restrict advertising to Category A, with the approval of the MNA of the organizing club.

Proposal

Move 4.5 to Section 3, numbered 3.4.

Reasons

Section 4.5 is under Clause 4, which is entitled "All Classes- ISAF and Non-ISAF Classes" in the draft circulated at the Mid-year 2000 Council meeting. This could be read to mean that advertising may be restricted at club and invitational events for ISAF and Non-ISAF classes only, and not at similar events for handicap classes. This is inconsistent with the policy discussion at the Mid-year meeting. At that meeting, Council was advised that clause 4.5 applied to handicap events as well one-design events.

With this change, clubs will be able to restrict advertising at local handicap events, such as races held strictly for their members. US SAILING believes that it is advisable to permit event organizers, with MNA approval, to limit advertising to Category A at small, local handicap events.

Reporting Committee: Events

2004 OLYMPIC GAMES

A Submission of the United States Sailing Association dated 31 July 2000

Proposal

US SAILING proposes that the equipment for the Women's Match Racing event at the 2004 Olympic Games be selected at the November 2000 Annual Meeting. US SAILING also proposes that the equipment be chosen from the following:

- J-22
- Sonar
- Yngling

Reason

As stated in a previous submission, US SAILING believes that it is important that all equipment be selected at the 2000 Annual Meeting. US SAILING also believes that the equipment selected must be an ISAF class, and not a builder's class. The three classes proposed are ISAF classes. Any one of these classes would be excellent boats for the 2004 Olympic Games, and are presently used in a significant number of women's match racing events.

Reporting Committee: Council
Other Committee:

ADVERTISING CODE

A Submission of the United States Sailing Association dated 31 July 2000

Current Position

4. All Classes - ISAF and Non-ISAF Status - National Classes
- 4.2 The class associations of ISAF classes shall decide the advertising status to be applied to their classes as either A or C. For National Classes the MNA of the class decides category A or C.

Proposal 1

Change the title of Clause 4 to read as follows.

4. All Classes – ISAF and Non-ISAF Status .

Proposal 2

- 4.2 The class associations of ISAF classes shall decide the advertising status to be applied to their classes as either A or C. **For Non-ISAF classes, the MNA shall decide the advertising status as either Category A or C.**

Proposal 3

Move 4.8, Definitions to a new, separate section.

Reason

As agreed at the Mid-year meeting of Council, the term “National Classes” is not applicable for many MNAs. The result of this change would be, also as agreed at the Mid-year meeting of Council, that the advertising category meeting for ISAF classes shall be decided by the class and the advertising category for non-ISAF classes will be decided by the MNA. The MNA could delegate this decision to the class itself.

At the Mid-year meeting of Council, it was also agreed that all of the definitions, currently in Clause 4.8, should be moved to a new section because the Definitions apply to the Advertising Code as a whole, and not simply Clause 4.

Reporting Committee: Events
Other Committee: Womens

2004 OLYMPIC GAMES

A Submission of the United States Sailing Association dated 31 July 2000

US SAILING proposes that the following equipment be selected for the 2004 Olympic Games:

<u>Event</u>	<u>Equipment</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Keelboat Men (Fleet)	Star	The Star has been part of the Olympic Games since the 1932 Olympiad. It is a classic boat that has evolved and kept current while never losing its character. It is widely sailed throughout the World and it attracts well over 100 boats to its World Championship each year.
Keelboat Open (Match/Fleet)	Soling	The Soling is an excellent boat for both fleet and match racing. It is sailed actively throughout the World.
Single-Handed (Women)	Europe	The Europe is an excellent boat for women of all sizes. There is active competition in the class in many countries. The class has gone to great strides to tighten its rules, particularly with respect to spars.
Single-Handed (Men)	Laser	This is one of the most popular boats in the world of competitive sailing. It attracts excellent sailors who are very athletic and

		fit. The Laser is sailed in virtually every country in the World.
Double-Handed (Men) Doubled- Handed (Women)	470	The 470 is an excellent boat for both men and women. Women compete at the highest levels in the class. It is both a high performance and tactical boat, and it is popular in many countries throughout the World. US SAILING believes that separate events for both men and women in the same class is very important, because it will facilitate the growth of women's sailing.
Dinghy (open)	49er	The 2000 Olympic Games will be the first Olympic event for the 49er. The boat has lived up to the sailing community's expectations, and has brought greater media interest than any other class. In fact, 49er events are now shown on United Airlines flights throughout the United States. The 49er has attracted some of the best sailors in the World.
Multihull	Tornado	The Tornado is a very technical, fast multihull. It is popular and has stood the test of time. The Tornado can be sailed successfully at the highest international levels by both men and women.
Boards (Women)	Formula Board	US SAILING believes that it is appropriate to replace

Boards (Men)		<p>the IMCO due to inconsistent quality, and the limited popularity of this board. In fact, windsurfing on long boards, such as the IMCO, is in a rapid decline. US SAILING believes that a formula board is more appropriate, and that it will revitalize course racing among windsurfers. A formula board will be appealing to far more windsurfers who will enjoy its speed and excitement</p>
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