

Minutes of US Sailing Race Management Committee Meeting (Conference Call)  
Dec. 8, 2020

Called to order by Taran Teague at 1930 E

RMC and US Sailing Staff Attendees: Wayne Coulon, Tom Duggan, Taran Teague, Jeff Johnson, Mary Ellen DeFrias, Bill Stump, Chris Luppens, Becky Ashburn, Lynn Lynch, Charley Rathkopf, Matt Hill (Race Admin Director). Special guest Randy Dratz, Chair, Race Administration Committee.

The minutes from September 15, 2020, were approved.

Chair RMC – Taran Teague welcomed and introduced new RMC members Mary Ellen DeFrias and Charley Rathkopf. The new RO Extension Policy is on the website and consistent for RO, J and Umps. So far we have 32 extension requests. The results of the Task Force Survey have been circulated to all, followed by a Town Hall Meeting to discuss the results. Charlie Arms and the Task Force summary and recommendations have been submitted to the Board. Thank all of the ROs for your candid feedback and suggestions.

Matt Hill mentioned the RRS app has been launched and the new rule books are at the printer - soon to be released. US Sailing is moving forward with a search firm to identify a new CEO to replace Jack Gierhart. Matt concluded with an update on how US Sailing and the staff are dealing with the interim management team, the pandemic and work at home.

Rules – Bill Stump presented the RMC's final version of Changes to RRS 2021-2024 that Affect Race Management. Many thanks to Bill and Mark Townsend for pulling this document together.

ROT&C – Jeff Johnson - Chair: The Basic RM Seminar (BRMS) is now live and updated for the new RRS. Kudos to the ROT& Cert Team and US Sailing for making this happen! We are working on Round Tables in January/February. The new ARMS will be updated later in 2021.

World Sailing – Tom Duggan mentioned the WS new CEO will be David Graham. The new WS committee positions are being identified, with work beginning after the first of the year.

Certifications Approved in Executive Session:

Steve Comen – Initial RRO  
Steve Harris – Initial approval to sit for NRO Panel  
Bruce Bingman – renewal NRO  
Hank Stuart – renewal NRO  
Taran Teague – renewal NRO

Respectfully Submitted,

Taran Teague

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