

The World Sailing Board met by conference call on Thursday 10 February 2022 between 10:00 – 13:00 UTC.

| <u>Present</u>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <u>In Attendance</u>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Quanhai Li - President</li> <li>2. Ozlem Akdurak – Vice President</li> <li>3. Jo Aleh – Chair, Athletes Commission</li> <li>4. Philip Baum - Vice President</li> <li>5. Tomasz Chamera – Vice President</li> <li>6. Sarah Kenny – Vice President</li> <li>7. Yann Rocherieux – Vice President</li> <li>8. Cory Sertl – Vice President</li> <li>9. Marcus Spillane – Vice President</li> </ol>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. David Graham – Chief Executive Officer</li> <li>2. Raksha Patel – Director of Finance &amp; Business Operations</li> <li>3. Nelia Smith – Executive Assistant</li> <li>4. Harriet Leach – Interim Director of Legal</li> </ol> |
| <p><b>1. Opening of the Meeting</b></p> <p>a) Presidents’ Opening Remarks</p> <p>The President welcomed everyone to the call and thanked them for their attendance. He proceeded to give an update on the latest Governance Reform Plenary Session 5, which he felt was very informative and the feedback received from stakeholders is extremely valuable going into the next phase of the process. He concluded by putting forward his wishes for a successful 2022 Winter Olympic Games in Beijing.</p> <p>b) Apologies for Absence and Declarations of Interest</p> <p>No apologies for absence were received.</p> <p>VP Jo Aleh stated for the record that she is officially campaigning in the FX Class for Paris2024.</p> <p>c) Approval of previous minutes</p> <p>The minutes of the meetings from 14/20 December and 18 January 2022 were approved on the basis that VP Sarah Kenny’s comments on one item needed to be addressed.</p> <p>d) Matters arising</p> <p>It was noted that the suggested Board event attendance list for 2022 is still outstanding and should be shared urgently.</p> <p>VP Philip Baum provided a brief overview of the Governance Reform status, describing the plenary sessions as constructive and engaging. He concluded outlining the next steps, including the request for a sixth plenary session dedicated to defining the role of the various entities.</p> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |

## **2. Executive Office**

### **a) Management Report**

The Executive Office presented a comprehensive management report covering updates from the individual business departments.

### **b) CEO & SMT Objectives 2022**

The Board noted a paper from the CEO that detail his specific SMART objectives.

**Decision –** The Board approved the CEO objectives as presented and suggested a half-year review.

## **3. Events**

### **a) Paris2024**

The Director of Events provided an update on all workstreams and activities related to Paris2024. Importantly, it was confirmed that a 2022 Olympic Test Event is not feasible. All MNA's were informed of the decision during an Olympic Team Leaders Town Hall held on 26 January 2022. In recognising the importance of this issue, the Board unanimously agreed that every effort should be made to ensure there are fair training opportunities for all MNA's, which is work in progress at this stage.

In closing, the President requested a formal letter from the relevant authority confirming the decision.

## **4. Finance**

### **a) Management Accounts to Dec21**

The Board noted a report from the Director of Finance

### **b) WS Investment Fund**

The Board noted a report from the Director of Finance

### **c) MNA Debtors list**

The Board received an updated MNA Debtors list.

A debt forgiveness process (8 MNAs) was put forward to the Board for consideration. The action from the discussion was to contact MNAs directly to obtain more information to understand the reason for outstanding payments to determine a suitable solution per MNA.

### **d) Office Lease – Update**

The 20 Eastbourne Terrace lease is in the final stage of assignment.

The new location will remain in central London, out of 3 potential locations viewed the option in Battersea was favoured. Once the formal assignment of the London Paddington office is complete and the engineers confirm a lift could be fitted, the new lease agreement will be progressed.

## **5. Technical & Offshore**

a) iQFOiL OEP Update

The Board received a paper outlining the efforts of the WS Office to assist (by guiding without directing) the iQFOiL class to finalise an application process (including an evaluation process and an approval process) to consider qualified manufacturers.

b) IKA-Formula Kite licensing-CU template

**Decision** - The Board approved the commercial undertakings template for licensing IKA-Formula Kite manufacturers as presented in the supporting paper.

c) Learn to Sail

The Board noted a paper detailing the subject and recommendation of the World Sailing Learn to Sail Boats.

**Decision** – The Board approved the termination of the ‘Learn to Sail Boat programme’ as it currently operates under the ‘Learn to Sail Boat Agreements’. (Giving the required six-month notice to classes participating in the programme).

d) Wingfoil Update

The Director of Technical & Offshore provided an update to the Board.

**6. Legal & Governance**

a) Case List Update

The Board noted a supporting paper outlining the current live and ongoing legal cases and their respective updates.

**7. Any Other Business**

a) WS Development Strategy

It was agreed that members of the Board and the Executive Office would meet with the Development & Regions Committee to produce a Board report on whether two proposals tabled by Oceania and ASCON a year ago on invitation fitted WS strategy and, if so, whether there were resources to assist them.

b) President’s Award – Beppe Croce

It was decided that this subject will be further discussed at the next Board meeting, with the CEO requesting any nominations that the Board members may have to be shared in advance.

c) 2022 Mid-Year Meeting Event Dates & Q1 2022 Regional Town Hall Meetings

The Board agreed to the dates of 26-29 May 2022 for the in person Mid-Year meeting in Abu Dhabi.

The board further agreed to the proposed dates of 23 & 25 March to host the Q1 Regional Town Hall sessions.

**Closing Remarks – President Quanhai Li**

The President once again stressed the importance of solidarity and cooperation within WS to minimise and avoid internal conflicts where possible.

WS should remember that its utmost priority and commitment should always be towards the sailors and the protection of the WS core interests and focus on the stable development of sailing on a regional and global level.

There being no other business, the Chair closed the meeting.