

World Sailing
Board Meeting Minutes

Board Meeting Date: 23 March 2023

Location: Virtual via BlueJeans

Time: 10:00 UTC

<u>Present</u> 1. Quanhai Li – President 2. Özlem Akdurak – Vice President 3. Philip Baum – Vice President 4. Tomasz Chamera – Vice President 5. Sarah Kenny – Vice President 6. Yann Rocherieux – Vice President 7. Cory Sertl – Vice President 8. Marcus Spillane – Vice President 9. Jo Aleh - Athletes Commission Chair	<u>In Attendance</u> 1. David Graham – Chief Executive Officer 2. Urvasi Naidoo – Director of Legal and Governance 3. Raksha Patel – Director of Finance and Business Operations
<u>1. Opening of the Meeting</u> a) The President welcomed the Board to the meeting. b) There were no apologies. Vice President Tomasz Chamera noted an additional declaration of interest in relation to a transfer of nationality application. c) Minutes of the Board meetings of 21 February 2023 were circulated and approved via email. d) Matters Arising. Vice President Tomasz Chamera requested further discussion on Board Member attendance at Events. e) Approved via email. The Board approved the following by email: 1. Licensed Builder fee policy. 2. Board submission for Mid Year Meeting to amend Regulation 25.5.5	
<u>2. Executive Office</u> a) Board and Staff Attendance at Events The Board noted the proposed staff attendance and also discussed the attendance of Board members. b) Commercial Update and America's Cup draft contract. The Chief Executive Officer updated the Board on ongoing projects and on the negotiations with the Americas Cup.	

3. International Relations and Brand**a) 2023 Annual Conference**

The Director of International Relations and Brand had prepared a detailed paper assessing all the bids against the criteria and making a recommendation that the 2023 Annual Conference would be held in person in Malaga, Spain.

The Board noted the paper and thanked all involved in reviewing the bids and approved the recommendation for the 2023 Annual Conference to be held in Malaga, Spain in November 2023.

b) 2023 Mid Year Programme

The Board noted the programme but also requested that further time to be added for the Board to meet on the 18 May to discuss the Olympic Strategy and the Board Review.

4. Events**a) Nationality Changes.**

The Director of Events presented several individual applications to the Board which related to change of nationality for Russian and Belarus sailors.

The Board discussed the matter but decided to postpone making any decisions until further information had been received from the International Olympic Committee (IOC). The IOC Board meeting would take place 28-30 March. It was anticipated that the matter of sanctions on Russian and Belarus athletes and officials and the protective measures for Ukrainian athletes and officials would be discussed at that meeting and the Board noted the importance of unity with the Olympic Movement.

5. Technical and Offshore

a) Director of Technical and Offshore joined the meeting and presented a paper on Safety. The Board noted the paper and appointed Vice President Philip Baum as the Board Liaison for Safety functions.

b) The Board approved a Submission to the Mid Year meeting for the formation of the Safety Commission and its terms of reference to be included in the Regulations. It was noted that this was proposed as a Board appointed Commission.

6. Legal & Governance**a) Safeguarding**

The Board noted that the IOC were running a series of workshops on safeguarding for IF's which would be attended by staff.

7. Finance

a) The Director of Finance and Business Operations advised that documentation would be circulated via email for the Board to review.

8. Any Other Business

- a) Vice President Cory Sertl requested that the dates of Board Meetings for the rest of the year be confirmed, particularly for the meeting during the World Championships in August 2023.
- b) Vice President Philip Baum queried the timing of the circulation of some documentation to the Board and the CEO advised he would review and report back.

There being no further items, the President closed the meeting