

ISSA Board of Directors Conference Call
Thursday, January 9, 2014
Meeting Minutes

President Tim Hogan called the meeting to order at 8:00 pm EST. A roll call was taken. Those in attendance:, Bill Campbell, Malinda Crain, Gonzalo Crivello, Todd Fedyszyn, Tim Hogan, Rob Hurd, George Linzee, Randall Nunn, Becca Scoville, Mike Segerblom, Burke Thomas, Scott Wilson, and Sherri Campbell.

Those not in attendance: Chris Clement, Andrew Cole, Sharon Garber, Forest Gay, Andrew Nugnes, Alexa Schuler, Don Shea, Randy Stokes, and Frank Ustach.

1. **Minutes** from the December 5, 2013 conference call were approved as distributed.
2. **President's Report:** Tim Hogan reported that many projects are moving forward including the production of a scoring program, the setup of a subcommittee on safety, work on a marketing plan for ISSA, formation of a SEISA steering committee and attempts at continued communication with LaserPerformance and the hopeful extension of the agreement with them. The current membership recap was added by the office: MASSA 84, MISSA 48, NESSA 54, NWISEA 26, PCISA 80, SAISA 86 and SEISA with zero paid but 18 active on the team registration. Total paid 378 as of today.
3. **Race Operations:**
 - a. Mallory 2014 - Bill Campbell reported that the regattas is ready to go at San Diego with all plans in place
 - b. Baker 2014 – Becca Scoville reconfirmed the Willitts as the regatta chairs, the NOR nearly ready, chief judge in place and currently working on hotel room blocks and arranging to borrow sails from Austin.
4. **Old Business:**
 - a. Scoring Program Update: Mike Segerblom reported that the Tech Score proposal as presented and approved last month has been finalized and work is moving along well. It is expected to have a beta version of the fleet race scoring ready by February 1 and it will be circulated to a few users for use and feedback. The program should be ready for full use by mid-summer at the latest. Tim Hogan is continuing to work on finding a sponsor for the scoring program to help offset the ongoing maintenance and may perhaps work on a collaborative sponsor with ICSA for this.
 - b. ISSA approval of District Bylaws, officers & supplemental rules – this subcommittee has not yet met. Discussion continued about the need for ISSA to review and approve these items. It was agreed that the officers are already reviewed and approved via the current process of the annual board nomination and election at the AGM. The subcommittee will be tasked with the logistics of the review and approval process for the district bylaws and supplemental rules.
 - c. Definition of tier 1, tier 2, and tier 3 events: Based on the previous month request for further refinement, Bill Campbell circulated definitions by email to the group. No feedback was received. His question was “Why or How will we use these definitions?” Discussion followed that all districts should incorporate these into their supplemental rules and that the definitions can be helpful to developmental teams and various hosting venues. Rob Hurd suggested that the review of the district supplemental rules

should be done first. Tim Hogan asked Rob to head up the committee to review the supplemental rules of all districts. He agreed.

- d. Safety update: George Linzee reported that the safety committee is now in place with the addition of members Andrew Cole, Don Shea and Dr. Lynn Fricker (MISSA) who is a trauma doctor. George reported that the committee is working on the research of the various related topics and will formulate a proposal packet for review by the ISSA Board and for posting on the ISSA website. Don Shea is putting together a survey to be circulated throughout the organization to gather more information. George agreed to draft something in the near term for the board to review and for posting to steer supervising personnel to online resources as soon as possible.
- e. SEISA steering committee: Work is in slow progress with Tim Hogan, Malinda Crain and Becca Scoville in an effort to get new people in the district involved. Tim will travel to Texas in the next two month to meet with the group.
- f. Spring version of the Great Oaks: all agreed that this would be a positive thing with an additional opportunity for developing teams to have another chance for competition. It was agreed that it would be in 2015 at the earliest with the possible date to overlap the Mallory and perhaps with two divisions and maybe at a set facility with a fleet such as USNA or Coast Guard. Further work and discussion is needed. Tabled at this time.
- g. ISSA Marketing Plan: Tim Hogan is working with John Drayton, a southern California parent who writes a sailing column for a local newspaper. John has offered to work on a monthly profile of an ISSA related sailor for posting to the website and our social media feeds. It was agreed that this would be a good idea but that no current ISSA sailors should be used, only past ISSA sailors with a story to be told. All board members were encouraged to send names and contact information of people to be profiled to the office to be passed along to John.

5. New Business: none

Meeting adjourned 9:04 pm.

Next meeting scheduled for Thursday, February 6th.