

**Meeting of the Board of Directors  
Via Conference Call  
Thursday, March 5, 2009**

President Tim Hogan called the meeting to order at 8:09pm EDT.

Attendees: Tim Hogan, Tom Monkus, Bill Campbell, Malinda Crain, George Linzee, Mike Segerblom, Wayne Cutler, Bill Schneider, Burke Thomas, Don Shea, JP Fasano and Jerelyn Biehl.

Those unable to attend include: Chuck Sinks, Ray Teborek, Doug Heil, Andrew Cole, Matt Mikkelborg, Rob Hurd and Sherri Campbell.

Minutes from the February 5 meeting were approved as distributed. Bill Campbell motions, Don Shea seconded. Motion carried.

**Reports:**

**1. President – Tim Hogan**

- a. Tim observed a low number of teams registered as of now. Mike Segerblom requested to compile a 5 year report for the next meeting. Look at a percentage standpoint of number of teams that are new and those that drop. Mike said that the database can be downloaded and demographics analyzed (as accurate as possible). Bill Schneider keeps a history of school membership on their website. G. Linzee also keeps a roster and PCISA monitors RP and registration.

**2. Treasurer – Ray Teborek (unable to attend)**

- a. Tim discussed the report last month.

**3. Race Operations – Chuck Sinks (unable to attend)**

- a. The 2009 Mallory and Baker.
  - i. Baker: NOR is posted and SI's almost complete. Umpires are being signed up. Generally things are in place.
  - ii. Mallory: Tom Monkus distributed an update on the Mallory via e-mail. Wallace: Regatta Chair: Ed Baird has agreed to speak to the sailors at the Friday evening skipper's meeting reception at SPYC. The Pier and City are finalizing the agreements for use of the NE Landing 20 new sails for the 420s have been ordered. Some housing has been obtained for visiting sailors. Allison Jolly: PRO Twenty brand new Performance FJs delivered to USF, used for two collegiate regattas so far Finalized details for borrowing nine 420's from Sarasota, six 420's from Davis Island to complement SPYC On-site inspection of the Pier (St. Petersburg) with regards to spectating, coaching, access for alternates, rotations; completed Arrangements for catered Saturday night poolside lasagna dinner; completed RC staffing completed, (scorers, line sights, recorders, computer liasons\*, timers, mark sets) Draft of SI's will be ready for review by all parties by the end of this week Web site currently under minor revision for registration, other forms, and regatta information Three judges confirmed, working with Todd on securing fourth (two per fleet recommended) \* People situated at the pier downloading the race-by-race scores and printing them out for posting. T. Fedyszyn: Organizer So far the judges we have lined up for both events are Serge Jorgensen, Ann Newton and Steve Van Dyke.
  - iii. A discussion was held on whether local teams would be allowed to practice at the championship venue prior to the event. ISSA's General Conditions for

Championships specifically does not allow local teams to practice at the venue UNLESS it is their home venue. The original approval was rescinded by Tim Hogan. Tim asked if the Board would grant a waiver for the 2009 Mallory event. It was suggested that the host team(s) keep their boats until later in the week prior to the event in order to practice on their home waters. Bill Campbell proposed and it was agreed that ISSA abide by the Conditions. A written report will be sent.

- b. **2010 Cressy:** nothing new to report.
- c. **2010 Mallory:** Rob Hurd distributed a memo - CBI/MIT inadvertently mis-read the calendar for next year and thought that the second weekend in May was May 15-16, 2010, not May 7-8, 2010. They are unable to move the Mallory forward one week at their site. The NESSA 2010 Mallory selection committee (NESSA President Doug Heil, Roger Rawlings – Hotchkiss School, Roy Williams – St George’s School, and Rob Hurd – Tabor Academy) discussed the logistics of running the Mallory and Baker on back-to-back weekends and concluded that was not in the best interest of the student athletes. Therefore, we have begun a search for an alternative site to MIT. When we selected CBI/MIT, there were two other excellent proposals (Greenwich HS/Indian Harbor YC in Greenwich, CT and Barnstable HS/ Hyannis YC in Hyannis, MA). While we are disappointed that we may not be able to use MIT this time around, we should have a new plan ready for the June 2009 ISSA conference call.
- d. **2010 Baker** (NW) Matt Mikkeltorg was unable to attend. Burke Thomas discussed Sail Sandpoint as the lead venue and that additional discussions were underway with Seattle YC and the Cascade Locks. The venue should be chosen by the next month.

#### 4. Other Project Reports

- a. **Endowment Fund**– keep the endowment in cash.
- b. **Fundraising/Sponsors**
  - i. Coaches Symposium: NESSA would like to thank Tim Hogan and ISSA for the \$500 towards our coaching symposium. We had Tom Duggan to Tabor Academy on Sunday February 22, 2009 to talk to coaches and sailors about the new rules and umpired team races. We felt it was important to get everyone on the same page before the season began so that meets could be settled through knowledge, execution, and skill. The day was successful with 50 people making the trip; there would have been more but a Nor’easter dumped a foot of snow on New Hampshire and Maine that day, forcing our northern friends to stay at home.

#### 5. New Business

- a. **Annual General Meeting** – Tim suggested holding at the Cressy in Corpus Christie or at the NSPS. Other dates were discussed. Tim strongly maintained that ISSA continue to schedule a Fall date for the Annual Meeting. After a discussion in which several options were considered, a motion was made by Bill Campbell to hold the AGM on Oct. 30, the Friday before the Cressy. Seconded by Tom Monkus. The motion was approved.
- b. **District Reports**
  - i. MAISA: individual leagues are organizing. Coordinating with SAISA on Great Oaks qualifier. George met with local colleges with great support for HS sailing.
  - ii. MISSA: Ice Breaker Regatta is scheduled for the end of the month. Atlantic Coast Challenge has gained a lot of interest. Participation from all over MISSA is good. Membership should increase.
  - iii. NESSA: (Unable to attend)

- iv. NWISA: 20 teams are registered. 17 are showing up for this weekends regatta this weekend.
  - v. PCISA: lots of effort to help Hawaii become more active. About to purchase new sails for the group. Opening major championships for 5 out of district teams next year. They are thinking of a Great Oaks type event in Hawaii, possibly over Thanksgiving.
  - vi. SAISA: Point series just completed to determine elimination rounds and District championship. Caribbean holding districts this weekend.
  - vii. SEISA: Regatta this weekend in Austin. And a regatta & clinic scheduled for May
- c. **Atlantic Coast Challenge (ACC)** – In conjunction with MASSA and MISSA, NESSA has started an invitational team race the weekend of Baker. It appears that we are ready to go this year, with Rochester YC in Rochester, NY as host. The event will rotate among the districts – Wayzata, MN in 2010 and Portland, ME in 2011. Three school teams are invited from each district and the host school is the 10th team. This intersectional regatta will hopefully give more schools the opportunity to have an out-of-district team racing event and we encourage other districts to combine in similar fashion that weekend to offer an option to those schools that do not qualify for the Baker.
- d. **Change to ISSA PRs:** Bill Campbell read a request from Rob Hurd: US Sailing is not going to request a change to the Racing Rules, specifically, 18.2 ~~(b)~~ and (c), based on the use of the new Rules at the ISAF Team Racing World Championship regatta. **Therefore it is recommended that ISSA conduct team races in accordance with the RRS and not request, from US Sailing, a change to RRS 18.2(c) similar to that adopted by ICSA. Changes to the PR's can be proposed and adopted at a later date should this become an issue that needs addressing. But for now we should simply use the rule as is.**
6. **Next meeting** is scheduled for May 8 at the Mallory in St. Petersburg, FL.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:15 EDT.

Respectfully submitted;

Don Shea – Secretary  
Jerelyn Biehl - office

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