



**International A- Division Catamaran Association  
World General Meeting. 10.00 UTC 28<sup>th</sup> Nov. 2020  
Held via Zoom and recorded.**

**Minutes.**

The meeting was opened at 10:00 UTC

Present were;

Charles Bueche – Chairman  
Bailey White – IACA Secretary - USA  
Graeme Harbour – committee member and international measurer  
Philippe Muyzers – committee member, finances – BEL  
Paul Larsen – committee member, chairman TC  
Gordon Upton – Minutes  
Abdón Ibanez – ESP  
Alex Welter – BRA  
Bo Hasseriis – DEN  
Brent Harsant – NZL  
Harald Wigerstedt – SWE  
Jacek Noetzel – POL  
Laurent Stéphany - FRA  
Marco Gaeti and Steffano Sirri – ITA  
Paul Neeskens – AUS  
Rainer Borher - GER  
Robin Maeder – SUI  
Rutger Krijger – NED  
Struan Wallace - GBR

Apologies from Michael Modelhammer – AUT and Andrew Landenberger AUS  
Also absent were ARG, CAN and IRL.

1. Presidents Report. Charles Bueche – see attachment
2. Secretaries Report. Bailey White – see attachment
3. Technical Committee Report. Paul Larsen – see attachment

Paul reported that considerable effort had been put into the definition of the Classic and it's elements required for the submission to World Sailing as a separate discipline within the 'A' Division class.

4. Finance Report – see attachment

Graeme Harbour reported that the Association was in a good position considering this year seeing some trying times. The current balance as of November 2020 is €52'674. Graeme announced he will be stepping down after 8 years in the role of finance auditor and was thanked by all. A replacement will be appointed in due course.

5. Association Reports – See attachment.

6. Election of committee and officers

It was decided that the role of IACA President and Secretary be extended by another 4 years due to the unprecedented events currently being undergone and to change horses at this time would be unwise. It was also proposed that Jacques Valente FRA join the IACA Committee as a member. The whole team was elected.

The Technical committee would now be considered a permanent feature. Currently they are led by Paul Larsen AUS, and comprise of Sandro Caviezel SUI, Bruce Mahoney USA, Graeme Harbour AUS, Andrew Landenberger AUS, Tymoteusz Bendyk POL.

It was also suggested that Albert Roturier, French measurer, was voted as an additional member of the Technical Committee.

7. Fees

It was proposed that the fees of €10 per association member for the 2020 year be suspended until 2021. This was passed by 81 for, 12 against, with no abstentions. \*

\*Votes based on National Association membership number allocations.

8. Major Event Venues

There was some discussion around the 2021 European and Worlds events as to whether they would be taking place. The European Championship event in Cadiz has been suggested be moved to possibly the 3-10<sup>th</sup> July at request organising club. This was because there is a major Optimist class championships taking place at the same time and this would put pressure on various facilities.

The USA Worlds, due to be in November 2021 may have to be cancelled as it was considered possibly still too risky for overseas sailors to travel as they may require considerable notice to get their boats shipped and the situation is still too problematic.

It was then suggested that the following events are scheduled;

2022 – FRA Toulon Worlds

2023 – USA Florida Worlds

2024 – ITA Punta Ala Worlds. Although this may change.

The change of dates for Euro and World are not decided yet and subject to further discussions with clubs and national associations.

9. Proposals

9.1 – The AIADCA proposal to amend Championship Rule 16' (Radio Communication) to allow GPS at World & European Championships, failed to achieve the 2/3rd majority required for a Championship rule change so is rejected. The vote was 52 for, 41 against and 11 abstain.

9.2 - 'IACA committee proposal to create the Classics discipline' was passed by a substantial majority. For 101, against 3, no abstentions. As this is a modification to the class rules, the next step are a world -wide ballot among members and final approval by World Sailing.

10. Regulatory and Technical Affairs (Alterations in the I.A.C.A. Constitution, Championship Rules, Ballots etc.)

It was explained that a full list of national association member email addresses be provided for communication purposes.

11. AOB.

Being no other business, the meeting closed at 12h10 UTC.

Gordon Upton – IACA Editor 28-11-21

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