2020 FWC AGM - Minutes

15 Dec 2020, online

Registration of voting delegates and email votes

Committee members present: Francesco Zarbo, Sean O'Brien, Marc Cardon, James Briggs, Matthias Regber Votes – 5

The following committee members submitted email votes: Miguel Martinho Votes - 1 The following national class associations appointed delegates: ARG, AUS, FIN, FRA, GBR, GER, ITA, LTU, NED, NOR, POL, SUI, SWE Votes - 13

The following national class associations submitted email votes: DEN Votes - 1 The meeting was quorate with a total of 20 votes in the room.

Previous Minutes

http://www.formulawindsurfing.org/class/2019-AGM-MINUTES.pdf There were no matters arising.

Chairman's report

Francesco Zarbo presented the Chairman's report paying homage to Ceri Williams. A friend, who was key to the development of our sport and class. Francesco welcomed Piotr, who is continuing as the FWC Executive Secretary.

The report followed by mentioning the difficulties of the COVID-19 pandemic and the affect it has had on the FWC and IWA both financially and on cancelled and postponed events. The Chairman then praised the successful world championships in Silvaplana (SUI) and invited NCAs to bid for future events including GP series events. In his finishing statement Francesco encouraged NCAs to include the fin division in local events to respect both foil and fin equipment divisions in national events.

Financial Statements

Bruno Marques presented the financial statements for 2019 – there were no matters arising.

http://internationalwindsurfing.com/userfiles/documents/I&E by Class 311219.pdf

Class Committee recommendations & Class Rule change submissions for World Sailing

After considerable consultation within the class the Chairman presented the following submissions for discussion. Each was discussed in depth with focus also on when the submission was to be implemented in the Class Rules and how the dimensions are measured.

1 Maximum Sail Size - Men (Foil Division)
Modify Class Rule C.8.1 (b) to limit sail size in the foil division for men to 10.0 m2
To take affect 1st January 2022

Approved YES - 16, NO - 4

2 Maximum Sail Size – Women and Youth (Foil Division)
Modify Class Rule C.8.1 (b) to limit sail size in the foil division for women and youth to 9.0
m2 To take affect 1st January 2021, or when approved by WS

Approved YES – 15, NO – 5

3 Maximum Sail Size – Junior (Foil Division) Modify Class Rule C.8.1 (b) to limit sail size in the foil division for men to 8.0 m2 To take affect 1st January 2021, or when approved by WS

Approved YES – 15, NO – 5

4 Limiting foil dimensions – mast To limit foil mast length to 1000mm To take affect 1st January 2022

Approved YES – 11, NO – 9

5 Limiting foil dimensions – front wing To limit the size of the foil front wing to 1000mm To take affect 1st January 2022

Approved YES – 18, NO – 2

6 Limiting foil dimensions – fuselage To limit the length of the foil fuselage to 1250mm To take affect 1st January 2022

Approved YES -15, NO -5

7 2020 European Championships – Age Categories

To allow competitors entitled to race in the Masters, Grand Masters and Veterans age divisions in 2021 to choose if they would like to participate in the 2020 European Championships as per rules for 2020 or 2021.

Approved YES – 11, NO – 6, Abstained - 3

Other Matters

Board registration costs with World Sailing

The cost of board registration the manufacturer's needs revising. The Executive Secretary will contact World Sailing to negotiate this cost.

Documents governing the class

The structure of documents governing the class was discussed and agreed. In the future Class Rules, standard SIs, NoR and class policy will be in place and the Championship Rules will be phased out.

2021 Event Calendar was discussed

2020 Europeans – Feb, Azores (POR) 2021 Youth and Masters – Jun, Puck (POL) 2021 Europeans – Sep, Cadiz (ESP) 2021 Asians – Oct, Oman TBC 2021 Worlds – Nov, Azores (POR)