

Minutes of the International 2.4mR Executive Committee Meeting June 18, 2020 14:00 EST. Attending via Zoom: Jean Paul Alexander (Director), Stellan Berlin (TC Chairman and guest to the meeting), Steve Bullmore (President), Rikard Bjurstrom (Vice President), Simon Hill (Treasurer and guest to the meeting), Hanns Hermann Lagemann (Director), Tim Ripley (Secretary).

1. Minutes approval from last meeting.

Last meeting was during Measurement Seminar in Germany February 1, 2020. Minutes are posted. The work of the EC has been conducted by email during the intervening period.

2. AGM 2020

President's proposal:

NCA's should be advised soonest that an AGM for 2020 will be held as a Special Meeting of the World Council with voting and discussion by email within the normal timescales as laid down in the Constitution relative to Special Meetings for comment.

The NCA's will be asked to approve this and to restrict the Special Meeting items to those of priority for the correct running of the Class - reports, elections, budget, auditor.

The NCA's will be asked to approve the use of single Special Meetings that require resolution of other pressing issues prior to the 2021 AGM.

A proposal has been received from the Canadian NCA to hold an electronic AGM via Zoom or similar electronic method. The Canadian proposal is essentially what EC is proposing but cannot have a 'normal AGM' due to EC interpretation of the Class Constitution that we cannot hold an AGM outside World Championships. It was suggested we have an informal 'unofficial' Zoom meeting for discussing proposals etc. with class members. Decision: The EC unanimously voted in favor of holding a Special Meeting in place of an AGM to conduct the restricted business of an AGM with the timelines of a Special Meeting. Details regarding scheduling and balloting are forthcoming.

The Secretary will advise the Canadian NCA regarding the EC decision to have a Special Meeting.

3. Confirmation of Voting Rights applicable to the 2020 AGM.

AGM decides voting rights with information from Treasurer. Most NCA's have paid 2020 dues to the ICA. AUS, HKN, NED are having issues transferring funds. Treasurer requested permission to waive E70 as AUS has had problems and been charged repeatedly while attempting to transfer funds. All agreed to waive E70 for AUS. The Secretary will reach out to AUS with how USA was able to transfer funds via TransferWise, an electronic funds transfer tool similar to PayPal but able to pay directly to the ICA account.

4. Constitution and the need for revision with a necessary EGM prior to the 2021 AGM.

There are revisions to clarify various issues which will be submitted for the AGM in Tonsberg.

5. Cancelled 2020 Worlds and its implications including Virus implications at future Class events.

Disappointing to cancel 2020 Worlds due to the Pandemic. AUS graciously has allowed USA to reschedule to 2022 and AUS will reschedule to 2024. Secretary will contact both to request updated applications.

6. 2021 Worlds at Tonsberg Norway

We are aware that the organisation of the 2021 Worlds is moving forward and EC have received and approved the application.

7. 2022 Worlds at Melbourne Australia

The 2022 Worlds originally scheduled to be held in Melbourne AUS have been rescheduled to 2024. (See item 5 above).

8. 2023 Worlds at Tampere Finland

The EC has received an application and agreed to award the 2023 Worlds to Näsijärvi Sailing Club, Tampere Finland. This is Rikard's club's 125 year anniversary.

9. TC report including:

a) Amendments and revision of the race manual

Hanns will work with Keith to review TC revisions to the Race Management Manual.

b) Revision of the One Design rules

Technical Committee Chairman Stellan Berlin joined the EC meeting as a guest for a discussion of builder licensing and Norlin One Design Rules. He explained the TC position regarding their recommendation to grant a temporary license for OY Kaph group AB aka Charger.

- TC has recommended temporary licensing and is not willing to take on the significant amount of work required to change class rules, measurement methods and tooling to change from a builder certification method without AGM

/ World Council approval. TC sees this as an administrative issue, not a technical issue, and suggests there are unexplored alternatives as evidenced by many One Design classes with builder licensing based rules / certification. For example, changing rules terminology from 'licensed builder' to 'class approved/certified builder', and including a disclaimer of liability. What alternatives have been explored and what are the problems and what is the advice the class has received? If there is a problem then it should be discussed with the sailors at an AGM.

Discussion followed with points as follows:

- Since the termination of the licensing agreement with Norlin Yacht Design, the Norlin One Design rules do not currently reflect the situation of the Class as we do not currently have a licensed builder. EC 'majority' does not support licensing due to worries of personal/legal liability.
- The Vice President expressed an opinion that any member of the EC who was not prepared to accept possible personal liability of the post should stand aside.
- The Class/EC has in the past taken the decision to license builders and current EC has not presented any written proof licensing is no longer an option.
- The President suggested suspending OD rules due to impasse.
- Last AGM told EC to continue development of OD class. If OD rules are suspended then goes against AGM decision. The next AGM should be 2021 at the Tonsberg Worlds.

10. Marketing Committee

Simon has asked for chairman suggestions and volunteered to act as chairman with a committee consisting of Martin W Jones (GBR), Loic (FRA) and Detlef (GER). Germany with 100 members should be well suited to market the class. Detlef also set up the German NCA's website. Platform would be likely be Joomla or WordPress etc.

HHL should have clearly defined goals, audience etc. before. Who is market? What do we wish to achieve etc? Need to represent all NCAs, cannot just focus on Europeans. Focus should be on growth of ALL NCAs, Nations etc.

11. AOB

Positions available for nomination for 2020 election:

Vice President, Secretary, 2 Directors, 2 TC Members, Treasurer

All sailors are fascinated with 2.4! J70 sailors were keen to try 2.4's at a recent J70 event in Germany.

12. Date of next meeting.

July 2 19:00 London time

Need to meet asap as soon re proposals and methods for Special Meeting.

Agree next meeting, put forth proposals for Special Meeting send out for 30 days comment period, assume 2 comment periods, then voting should take place.

Two weeks is OK for special meetings for comments and can be extended if necessary.

Targeting September 15 as final voting day.

Respectfully submitted: Tim Ripley

International 2.4mR Secretary

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7/13/2020 edited to condense number of pages etc.