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INTERNATIONAL 420 CLASS ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2018 held in Newport, RI (USA) on 11th August 2018

PRESENT: MEMBERS eligible to vote:

AUS Rupert Henry **FRA** Philippe Boudgourd NZL Wavne Keen ISV Charlotte Perrel **GER** Markus Steinlein GRE Andreas Papadopoulos **Annabel Cattermole GBR** HUN Matteo Sangiorgi Nino Shmueli **ISR** ITA Matteo Sangiorgi POR Pedro Cruz SUI Monika Meyer Larry Law USA CAN Jane Gillis

ESP Magda Resano Fantino IRL Michele Halpenny JPN Yoshihiro Aoyama

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Nino ShmueliPresidentNSJose MassapinaVice-PresidentJMJackie TaylorTreasurerJTFulvia ErcoliSecretaryFE

ABSENT:

Dimitris Dimou Technical Committee

APOLOGIES: Nil

ABSENT: *MEMBERS eligible to vote:*

ARG,AUT,BAH,BEL,BLR,BRA,BUL,CHI,CRO,CZE,CYP,DEN,HGK,INA,IND,MAS,MEX,MYA,POL,SIN, RSA,RUS,SLO,THA,TUR,URU.

DOCUMENTS (circulated before the meeting):

- Agenda
- 2018 Annual Report of the President
- 2017 Promotional and Development Annual Report incl. 2018 / 2019 promotional and development plan
- 2018 Technical Committee Report
- Annual accounts for the year ended 31 December 2017

WELCOME

NS welcomed the voting members & observers to the general assembly and opened the meeting at 17h45 local time.

1. ELECTION OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE MEETING

NS informed the attendees that 17 of the 43 members, eligible to vote, are present and that, taking into account the 2017 Constitution, there is a valid quorum (1/3)

<u>Decision:</u> The proposal to elect NS as Chairman of the meeting is unanimously accepted. In favour: 17, Against: 0, Abstain: 0.

2. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

(as circulated before the meeting)

Following his election as Chairman of the meeting and the formal opening of the meeting, NS presented the President's annual report, as circulated and attached to the minutes.

Matteo Sangiorgi (ITA) asked if it is possible to use the class web APP for the NCAs who are interested. NS confirmed that this would have to be discussed with SailTi.

Rupert Henry (AUS) asked for information about the class development plan (next point).

Steve Keen (USA) stated that I420CA could support countries with small fleet to participate at WS Youth Worlds.

Neil Marsden (GBR) recommended that the Class should look and focus on the boat's look.

3. CLASS DEVELOPMENT REPORT 2017 – 2018

(as circulated before the meeting)

JM, who is responsible for class development, presented the development report as circulated and attached to these minutes.

Steve Keen (USA) stated that the I420CA should consider organizing a Coach Level High Clinic after a big event to help increase the number of participants.

4. CLASS DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2018 - 2019

(as circulated before the meeting)

JM, presented the development plan as circulated and attached to these minutes.

NS explained the proposed new Eurosaf 420 Circuit: This would consist of 4 or 5 events, already existing or to be created. The winner will get a wild card and free entry to the Junior European Championship.

Jane Gillis (CAN) proposed that the ENP program could support some Coaches and Countries to participate to WS Youth Worlds.

Matteo Sangiorgi (ITA) pointed out that the class have to consider the aggressive politics of other classes who increase entries at WS Youth Worlds.

5. REPORT FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

(as circulated before the meeting)

NS presented the Technical Committee Report (as circulated before the meeting) instead of Dimitris Dimou who sent his apologies as he was in Aarhus at WS Worlds.

6. PRESENTATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE ANNUAL ACCOUNTS (as circulated before the meeting)

JT presented the 2017 accounts and explained any variances from the previous year. The auditor, Daniel Dekel (ISR) who was not present reviewed the accounts in advance, Daniel recommend to the AGM to approve 2017 accounts.

<u>Decision:</u> The members unanimously approved the 2017 Annual Accounts. In favour: 17, Against: 0, Abstain: 0.

7. APPROVAL OF NEXT YEAR'S SUBSCRIPTION FEES

The EC recommend not changing the annual subscription fees (20 euro per year).

<u>Decision:</u> The members unanimously approved that 2019 fees will be 20 euro. In favour: 17, Against: 0, Abstain: 0.

8. PROPOSAL FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

NS explain that we need to do minor amendments to the International 420 Class Association Constitution:

Paragraph 1.2

To add:

"The Association shall not pursue commercial purposes and does not aim to make a profit."

"Der Verein verfolgt keine kommerziellen Zwecke und erstrebt keinen Gewinn."

Section 16

To Delete:

"If, upon dissolution of the Association there remains, after the satisfaction of the Associations debts and liabilities, any remaining property or funds shall not be distributed amongst Members, but donated to an international sailing charity."

"Das nach Zahlung der Schulden verbleibende Vereinsvermögen darf nicht an die Mitglieder verteilt werden, sondern ist einer gemeinnützigen Seglerorganisation zu

übergeben."

To Insert:

"The remaining proceeds after dissolution shall be transferred to a tax exempted institution with domicile in Switzerland with equal or similar objectives. A distribution among Members shall be excluded."

"Die nach Auflösung des Vereins verbleibenden Mittel sind einer steuerbefreiten Institution, mit Sitz in der Schweiz, mit gleicher oder ähnlicher Zwecksetzung zuzuwenden. Eine Verteilung unter die Mitglieder ist ausgeschlossen"

<u>Decition:</u> The Proposal unanimously accepted, In favour: 17, Against: 0, Abstain: 0.

PROPOSALS FROM THE MEMBERS, IF ANY

No proposals were received from members.

10. ELECTION OF AUDITOR FOR THE CURRENT FINANCIAL YEAR

The floor recommended Philippe Boudgourd as the auditor.

<u>Decision:</u> Philippe Boudgourd has been unanimously elected, In favour: 17, Against: 0, Abstain: 0.

11. TO AGREE THE VENUES OF THE INTERNATIONAL 420 CLASS WORLD AND CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR 2020, AND CONFIRM THE VENUES AND DATES FOR THESE CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR 2019

(as published at www.420sailing.org)

- (a) 2019 World Championship Vilamoura (POR)
 Dates confirmed from July 3rd until July 11th 2019
- (b) 2019 Junior European Championships 420 & 470

Probably in Cadiz Spain, the decision will be taken by 470 International Class in mid September.

(c) **2020 World Championship**

NS explained that we received only one bid in due time: from Crozon Morgat (FRA)

Philippe Bourgourd presented the bid of Crozon Morgat, the proposed dates are: July 3rd-11th 2020.

Decision: 2020 Worlds will be held in Crozon Morgat. In favour 17, Against: 0, Abstain: 0.

(d) 2020 Junior European Championship 420 & 470

Markus Steinlein presented the bid of Warnemuende. Dates proposed are in the beginning of July. It was a discussion regarding alternative dates (as this overlaps with 2020 Worlds)

or other venues in Germany. MS proposed to vote for GER in principal and the EC will make the final decision according to the final dates\venue with the 420 German Association.

<u>Decision:</u> 2020 JEC will be in Germany, dates and venue will be decided by March 2020. In favour: 17, Against: 0, Abstain: 0.

(e) World Team Race 2020.

Bid has been received from Cambridge University Cruising Club, dates suggested: 20th-24th August 2020, or 27th-31st August 2020.

Decision: 420 Worlds TR will be held at CUCC UK. In favour: 17, Against: 0, Abstain: 0.

12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Nino Shmueli (ISR) stated his own thoughts regarding the future look of the boat:

Carbon Mast: advantage to have a mast with 2 or 3 pieces,

Sails: some changes could be made relating to the colours on the mainsail (big flag, less numbers, etc...)

Events Format: some changes would be possible to make irt more attractive for the sailors. Matteo Sangiorgi (ITA): we have to improve the events.

Steve Keen (USA): Coaches could collect input and give the results to the EC

Alberto Portiglia (ITA – Nautivela) to be considered a professional help to the class and the EC with new ideas.

NS proposed to appoint a working party (WP) to act independently from the EC who should think "out of the box" and bring new ideas to the class, EC and AGM in the coming future. It was agreed the initial WP members would be:

Magda Resano (ESP)
Philippe Boudgourd (FRA)
Neil Marsden (GBR)
Markus Steinlein (GER)
Matteo Sangiorgi (ITA)
Alberto Portiglia (ITA)
Pedro Cruz (POR)
Larry Law (USA)
Steve Keen(USA)

It was agreed that **Josè Massapina** (POR) would be the EC representative coordination the work of the WP.

<u>Decision:</u> the AGM approved NS proposal to appoint a WP with the suggested names. In favour: 17, against: 0, Abstain: 0.

GA is closed at 20:25 local time.

Signed by

President Nino Shmueli General Secretary Fulvia Ercoli