

INTERNATIONAL 420 CLASS ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2014 held in Travemünde, GER on 26th of July 2014

PRESENT: MEMBERS eligible to vote:

Graham Griffin **AUS AUT Brigitte Flatcher** BRA Carla Splettstösser FRA Philippe Boudgourd **GBR** Sue Kalderon Wolfgang Stückl GER Daniel Dekel ISR Fulvia Ercoli ITA JPN Yumiko Shige NZL Richard Cave POR Manuel Gamito TUR Ayda Unver USA Larry Law

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Nino ShmueliPresidentNSJoaquim MalhãoClass DevelopmentJMDimitris DimouTC chairmanDDJurgen CluytmansGeneral SecretaryJC

IN ATTENDANCE: Luissa Smith Class Communications LS

Dierk Faust Event Organiser

APOLOGIES: MEMBERS eligible to vote: Nil

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Catherine Dodds Treasurer CD

ABSENT: MEMBERS eligible to vote:

ARG, BUL, CAN, CHI, CZE, DEN, GRE, HKG, HUN, IRL, MYA, NED, POL, RUS,

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: Nil

DOCUMENTS (circulated before the meeting):

- Agenda incl. Proposal for class rules changes
- 2014 annual report of the president
- 2014 Promotional and development annual report incl. 2014 / 2015 promotional and development plan
- 2014 Technical Committee Report

WELCOME

NS welcomes the voting members & observers to the general assembly and opens the meeting at 18h30 local time.

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1. ELECTION OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE MEETING

JC informs the attendees that 13 of the 29 members, eligible to vote, are present and that, taking into account the 2011 Constitution, there is a valid quorum.

The proposal of Larry Law to elect NS as chairman of the meeting is accepted with 12 votes in favour. (1 abstention due to late arrival)

2. REPORT FROM THE PRESIDENT

(as circulated before the meeting)

Following his election as chairman of the meeting and the formal opening of the meeting, NS presents the president's annual report, as written and circulated, and wishes CD a good health and a quick recovery.

3. REPORT ON THE CLASS DEVELOPMENT 2013 - 2014

(as circulated before the meeting)

JM, who is responsible for class development, presents his report as written and circulated.

4. CLASS DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2014 - 2015

(as circulated before the meeting)

JM, who is responsible for class development, presents the plan as written and circulated.

5. REPORT FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

(as circulated before the meeting)

DD presents the 2013 Technical Committee report as written and circulated

Following additions are noted:

At this moment a set of 470 flags from a single source supplier costs about 45 €. The price is expected to drop a bit, due to the competition in case of multiple suppliers.

6. PRESENTATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE ANNUAL ACCOUNTS

(as circulated before the meeting)

In the absence of CD, NS presents the accounts as circulated. He informs the General Assembly that Luciano Crocetti, the auditor elected at the 2013 General Assembly is not able to attend the 2014 General Assembly and that Fulvia Ercoli (ITA) accepted the role of substitute auditor. The substitute auditor confirms that the accounts were in order. The acceptance of the accounts is put to vote: 13 votes in favour – accounts accepted.

7. ELECTION OF AUDITOR FOR THE NEXT FINANCIAL YEAR

Following her assistance as substitute auditor, Fulvia Ercoli (ITA) is requested to stand for election as auditor for the next financial year. She accepts and the General Assembly votes as follows: 12 in favour .

8. APPROVAL OF NEXT YEAR'S SUBSCRIPTION FEES

NS proposes to maintain the € 15,- annual subscription fee and to fix and pay for 5 years at once. The proposals are jointly put to vote: 13 in favour.

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9. REPORT FROM THE CLASS COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER

LS presents a summary of actions done so far with regard to the new website and emphasis the importance of data input from the members.

10. PROPOSALS FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

10.1 Class rule changes

The proposals to change the class rules, as written and circulated, are discussed and voting results are as follows:

A.1 Insert new rule A.8.2 A.6 Modify existing rule D.4.2.2 (h)

A.2 Modify existing rule C.5.1 (a) A.7 Insert new rule G.1.3

A.3 Insert new rule C.8.3 (a) A.8 Insert new rule G.3.2.2, G.4.1.2,

A.4 Modify existing rule C.9.2 G.5.1.2

A.5 Insert new rule C.10.3.1 (d)

A.9 re-wordings and minor fixes

>> These proposals were each approved by a majority of the voting members.

B.1 modify existing rule D.4.2.1 (e)

>> The voting with regard to this proposal got a balanced outcome between "in favour", "against" and "abstention". The case was as such undecided and the proposal was put aside for further investigation and testing, as applicable.

During a small break NS gives the floor to Dierk Faust, the event organiser.

11. PROPOSALS FROM THE MEMBERS

No proposals were received from members

12. TO AGREE THE VENUES OF THE INTERNATIONAL 420 CLASS WORLD AND CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR 2014, AND CONFIRM THE VENUES AND DATES FOR THESE CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR 2013

(as published at www.420sailing.org)

12.1 CHAMPIONSHIPS 2015

(a) 2015 World Championships, Karatsu, JPN

The delegate from JPN presents the actual status of the preparations. The slides shown during the General Assembly will be put on the website.

(b) 2015 Junior European Championship, Bourgas, BUL

No status update was presented

12.2 CHAMPIONSHIPS 2016

(a) 2016 World Championships

For the 2016 World Championships there are 2 bids, from respectively ITA and AUS. Both candidates present their bids and subsequently the bids are separately put to vote with following results:

AUS In favour: 1 / ITA: In favour: 11 >> the 2016 edition will be held in Sanremo, ITA

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(b) 2016 Junior European Championship

For the 2016 Junior European Championship there is only 1 bid from HUN. There is no delegate to present the bid and the Executive Committee emphasises the fact that the proposed dates do no fit the class requirements. The Executive Committee asks the members to allow the Executive Committee to look in the coming weeks for an appropriate alternative (in terms of distance to the Worlds venue and event dates)

The request is put to vote: 11 in favour / 1 abstention

13. ELECTION OF THE GENERAL SECRETARY AND TREASURER OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

A proposal letter, dated 8th of May 2014, has been received from the Royal Belgian Yachting Federation for Jurgen Cluytmans for the position of General Secretary.

A proposal letter, dated 24th of May 2014, has been received from the British 420 Class Association for Catherine Dodds for the position of Treasurer.

NS presents the proposals and mentions the support of the EC for both proposals, despite the fact that both proposals were received after the deadline stated in the constitution. Both proposals were separately put to vote: each proposal got 11 votes in favour

14. ELECTION OF THE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS

A proposal letter, dated 14th of April 2014, has been received from the Greek 420 Class Association for Dimitris Dimou for the position of chairman.

A proposal letter, dated 13th of April 2014, has been received from the Argentinean 420 Class Association for Alexander Finsterbusch for the position of member.

A proposal letter, dated 26th of July 2014, has been received from the German 420 Class Association for Joerg-Hendrik Lorenz for the position of member.

NS presents the proposals and mentions that the EC supports all 3 proposals, despite the fact that the proposal for Jörg-Hendrik Lorenz was received after the deadline stated in the constitution.

The General Assembly accepts to consider the proposal for Joerg-Hendrik Lorenz

The proposals are separately put to vote with following results:

Dimitris Dimou: 12 in favour;

Alexander Finsterbusch: 7 in favour; 2 abstentions;

Jörg-Hendrik Lorenz: 12 in favour.

DD mentions to the General Assembly that the election process cannot continue to go on as it is now, with 3 out of 5 proposals received late. He proposes to apply the proposal deadlines more strictly as from 2015. The General Assembly agrees.

15. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There being no further business the general assembly is closed at 20h55 local time

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