ISSA Board of Directors Conference Call Thursday, November 17, 2011 Meeting Minutes

President Tim Hogan called the meeting to order at 8:05 pm EST. A roll call was taken for those in attendance: Bill Campbell, Malinda Crain, Matt DuBois, Sharon Garber, Steve Gay, Steve Grove, Rob Hurd, Amy Kehoe, George Linzee, Tom Monkus, Andrew Nugnes, Mike Segerblom, Don Shea, Randy Stokes, Burke Thomas, Scott Wilson & Sherri Campbell. Chris Clement was also on the call. Those unable to attend: Andrew Cole, Wayne Cutler, JP Fasano, Sarah Helming, Chuck Sinks, Bill Schneider, Becca Scoville & John Wright.

- 1. Minutes from the November 17, 2011 conference call were approved.
- 2. President's report: attended the recent Anteater Regatta which will be covered in the PCISA report.
- 3. Membership report: as of today:

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MASSA	85
MISSA	50
NESSA	40 paid with 39 current
NWISA	23
PCISA	72
SAISA	73
SEISA	<u>21</u>
TOTAL	364

4. District Reports:

- a. NESSA Andrew Nugnes gave an update on the 2012 Baker that the regatta will be sailed in FJs. Fireflies may be used in the bronze fleet round. There will be an attempt to complete a double round robin. Some discussion followed about the need for a thought out plan to shorten that format if conditions are not cooperative for the completion of the double round robin. NESSA was asked to submit their format plan to Bill Campbell/Race Operations Chair for review. Tim Hogan asked about the entry fee (\$900 per team) as it is much higher than in previous years. Rob Hurd pointed out that all meals and lodging will be provided. The general thought of the group was that the fee is too high and will set a precedent for future regatta, which is not wanted. It was agreed that Andrew Nugnes will make a request to the organizers to cut the fee to \$600. Randy Stokes asked for some clarification on the tie breaking system for the Baker. Bill Campbell will look into this.
- b. MASSA Randy Stokes reported that their spring 2012 schedule is now set with preliminary schedules out for fall 2012 and spring 2013. As a result of their recent district meeting, there is a new leadership team which has some new people involved and all are very enthusiastic. Randy and Amy Gross-Kehoe will now represent MASSA at the ISSA level.
- c. SAISA Tom Monkus noted that there is little news to report since the last call. Their regattas are progressing as scheduled.

- d. MISSA Matt DuBois reported that the district is very pleased with their membership growth over the last 5 years. Also of significance is the strength of membership in multiple geographic areas. He announced that Cappy Capper will create an intersectional invitational regatta at Minnetonka starting in October, 2012. They will invite 4 teams from outside the MISSA district to participate.
- e. PCISA Mike Segerblom noted that more memberships will be paid prior to the end of the year. The Anteater Regatta last weekend included 56 teams and it is expected that the regatta maximum of 60 will be reached for the Rose Bowl in early January. He also reported that the recent regatta in Hawaii went well.
- f. SEISA Malinda Crain reported the success of the Great Oaks regatta and that they are working to solidify their spring 2012 schedule.
- g. NWISA Burke Thomas noted that their 2012 schedule is set and that they will continue to hold their coaching clinic.

5. Old Business

- a. 2011 Great Oaks Chris Clement indicated that they will go to a format of 42 teams in future years. He also reported an incident involving a parent chaperone, Mike Crary of the Mahtomedi Team and a disruption with the regatta scorer. Tim Hogan asked Matt DuBois as president of MISSA to write up a summary of the incident and submit that report to Tim so that a decision can be made about any further action. Further discussion was that there is confusion about the status of the Great Oaks and whether it is an ISSA National Championship or not. Is not but by ISSA sending the generic "ISSA National Championship" banner and supporting the event with ISSA medals, it may be giving the wrong message. It was decided that a new banner should be done by the regatta organizers for use rather than the ISSA one. Chris announced that he will do the scoring in 2012 to be sure that there is improvement in that area which has had problems that last two years.
- b. Scoring program, data base, website Mike Segerblom reported that the copy of the scoring program received from ICSA was used at a recent regatta and crashed after the input of 6 races. He is trying to get further information and resolution. The database decision is still on hold until the scoring issue is resolved. Preliminary work is being done on the website remodel and a further report will be made in early 2012.

6. New Business

- **a.** NESSA team merger proposal via email Rob Hurd noted that this will be managed on a district level, no further action required by ISSA
- US Sailing publication offer Rob Hurd asked that each district director circulate the offer for discounted publications based on the 2009-2012 RRS to their district member schools at a price of \$8+shipping. All district directors will be asked for an update and preliminary order number on the January 5th conference call.
- **c.** Rob Hurd asked if an update contact list could be posted on the ISSA website. Sherri reported that a new list had been sent to the webmaster after the AGM. Another request with Tim's approval will be sent to JP.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:06 pm EST.

Next call is scheduled for January 5, 2012 at 8:00 pm EST. Note that all agenda items are due no later than December 26 to the ISSA office (sherri@odmsail.com)