ISSA

Meeting of the Board of Directors Via Conference Call Thursday, December 2, 2010

President Don Shea called the meeting was called to order at 8:08pm ET

Those in attendance: Don Shea, Mike Segerblom, Randy Stokes, Tom Monkus, Sharon Garber, Andrew Cole, Rob Hurd, Tim Hogan, Chuck Sinks, George Linzee, JP Fasano, Bill Schneider, Malinda Crain, Sherri Campbell and Jerelyn Biehl.

A motion by Bill Campbell was made, seconded by Sharon Garber to pass the November minutes as distributed. Motion passed unanimously.

President's Report: Don Shea talked about promoting sailing & involving as many students as possible but being consistent with ISSA's prior standards. ISSA continues to work on a mechanism for inclusion of home schooled students.

- 1) **Bermuda:** has made an inquiry to join ISSA. We have sent them a request for information, and are waiting for a response.
- 2) **Great Oaks:** good racing again this year. We had a scoring issue but it has been resolved.

Treasurer's Report: Scott Mason was not able to attend but Don Shea reported that ISSA is in a strong financial position. Treasurer suggested that we move some of the ISSA checking account money into the Olympic Fund. Scott will discuss this and a proposal to move some money on the January call. Registration: some of the districts seem down for the current time. Total of 307 schools which is light by 80-90 schools. If the NE (52) and SA could submit, it would help with the totals.

Competition Committee: Chuck Sinks

- A. Mallory & Baker NOR's are already posted
- B. **Great Oaks update**: it was a phenomenal event with a great amount of volunteers. A scoring snafu ensued this year and a protest followed. The official results are still pending as Chuck has not heard back from the jury. Further discussion was held to possibly change the language in the procedural rules to limit the protest timing for future events.
- C. **PFD's**: Mike Segerblom raised that there is a difference between the ICSA and ISSA rules for PFD's regarding Type V jackets. Suggestion that we should be consistent and decide what we will allow. Mike and Bill will look at a suggested language change for the Procedural Rules.

Current Projects

- A. **Umpire Recruiting/Training:** Randy Stokes reported the following:
 - a. the US Sailing Umpire Committee is voting to approve the rapid response for HS umpires. They have asked that the ISSA committee "vet" questions prior to forwarding to US Sailing. Discussion was held to work with ICSA to share questions/issues to forward to US Sailing.
 - b. Creating a link between the umpires-in-training programs with US Sailing to use local team race HS events for experience.
- B. **Change to/Vote on Eligibility Language**: Andrew Cole reported that his understanding was that consensus was not to expand home school eligibility any further than how it exists

under state law for other HS sports. Discussion was held on further ISSA stance on home schools per district. Mike Segerblom made a motion to place the following proposal in the Procedural Rules on the January agenda. Seconded by JP Fasano:

New ISSA PR

1.6 Home schooled students

"A Home schooled student may sail on behalf of a member school to the extent permitted by the eligibility rules applicable where that student lives, and the eligibility rules of that member school."

- **c. Database**: Mike Segerblom is going to use Regatta Network for HS & college for the Rose Bowl shortly and will report back. The concept is by early to mid-spring to have a trial to test over the summer so it will be ready for next season. Mike will send out technical information prior to the January meeting.
 - d. Website: Mike recognized the following:
 - 1. the current website visually needs an overhaul
 - 2. Some have concerns to accessibility to manage website
 - 3. Concept of event websites for future use

New Business

- **A. BSDRA:** Don Shea: Ask the Board to agree to award this earlier (Feb) and ask Districts to solicit for teams. US Sailing Foundation has a \$4,000 grant to assist. The Board will approve. Burke Thomas and Jeff Hudson have agreed to be on the committee. Don asks requests to be in by January 20.
- **B. Great Oaks Allocations:** Don Shea made a motion to fix the Great Oaks allocations based upon the 2010 allocations until at least a 10% change in a district's membership. Rob Hurd suggested rolling the GO allocations with the June allocations. Chris Clement would like to increase the total number of boats to 40. Not all boats were on par with each other. Suggested to post the GO allocations on the ISSA website. This will go on the January agenda.

District Reports: postponed until the January meeting
NESSA:
MASSA:
SAISA:
SEISA:
MISSA:
NWISA:
PCISA:

Please send any agenda topics to Don and Andrew the **Wednesday** before the meeting for the agenda.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30pm ET