

International Nacra 17 Class Association

5th Meeting of the World Council

The 5th meeting of the World Council of the International Nacra 17 Class Association was held in La Grande-Motte on Monday September 4, 2017. The meeting commenced at 1800 hours.

Notes of Meeting

The President called the meeting to order and confirmed that a quorum was present. (36 MNA + 9 Executives) 24 present.

1. Apologies for Absence:
 - Murray Jones - CFO (NZL)
 - Sofia Bekatorou - VP (GRE)
 - Tom Whitehurst – VP (USA)
2. Minutes of the 4th Meeting of the World Council Meeting previously circulated were approved and signed.
3. The President reported on various meetings that had been held since the previous World Council meeting. 12 Executive meetings had been held since the 19 July 2016. 2 Extraordinary General Meetings (EGM's) were held. A lot had been covered including: Election of the new President, vote to go foiling, World Sailing meetings, New Olympic contract with the Classes to cater for Anti-Monopoly and Anti-Legislation laws as well as a new commercial section Safety and risk assessments for new foiling configuration, distribution of the new foiling configuration, sponsorship, testing plan, website, measurers, potential class rule changes, all female teams at certain events, bearing issue and replacement and preparation for the 2 EGM's and AGM.
4. The Class finances (previously circulated) were reviewed and discussed, led by the President in the absence of Murray Jones (CFO)
 - a. Accounts to the end of 2016 – presented and approved
 - b. 2017 Year to Date of 2017 – presented and approved
 - c. 2018 Budget – to be presented at the EGM of the class later in the year for approval
5. Ordinary Resolutions
 - a. Resolution 1 - Election of CFO, Murray Jones (NZL) for a 2 year term ending in 2019. Passed unanimously
 - b. Resolutions 2, 3, 4, and 5 were four nominations for Vice President with only three VP spots available. A vote was held of all 4 candidates, with the two candidates receiving the most votes being elected. A run off vote between the two remaining nominees was conducted to determine the final VP spot. Lisa Darminian, Iker Martinez, and Sofia Bekatourou all were voted in as VP's of the class. The President thanked Tom Whitehurst for his time and commitment to the Class as a Vice President.

- c. Resolutions 6, 7, and 8, submitted by Hugh Styles via the British National rep were all withdrawn from consideration with their substance to be forwarded to the Technical Committee for review.

6. Special Resolutions

- a. Special Resolutions 1(a) and 1(b) about daggerboards in full down were considered together. 1(a) received 3 votes while 1(b) received the balance of votes and was approved.
- b. Special Resolution 2 regarding foot loops was approved with 1 vote against
- c. Special resolution 3 regarding rudder packing was defeated, with only 9 votes in favor
- d. Special resolutions 4(a) and 4(b) regarding helmets were considered and voted on together. 4(b) was carried by a unanimous vote.
- e. Special resolution 5 regarding body armor was approved unanimously
- f. Special resolution 6 regarding carrying of safety knives was approved by unanimous vote.

7. Next Annual General Meeting

The 6th Annual General Meeting of the International Nacra 17 Class Association is due to be held during the 2018 World Championship in Aarhus, Denmark

8. Any Other Business

- An informal meeting of the World Council will be held in La Grande-Motte on Saturday September 9, 2017 to discuss potential improvements, rank in terms of priority, give guidance to Nacra Sailing and to review items to be voted upon at the next EGM. An EGM will be planned as soon as possible.
- A discussion about the NOR and awards at European Championships, and specifically the process to get a change in class policy over how the podium awards and communication is performed. The Europeans want a separate podium and award ceremony.

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned

In Attendance:

Executive Members

Peter Vink (copywrite rep)

Gunnar Larsen (copywrite rep)

Marcus Spillane (president)

Iker Martinez (VP)

National Representatives from: (FRA), (DEN), (USA), (AUT), (AUS), (SWE), (NZL), (BRA), (GBR), (BEL), (JPN), (BEL), (PUR), (RUS), (GER), (ESP), (GUA), (PER), (SGP), (ITA), (URU),