Fireball Executive meeting of 25 May, 2018; 22:00 UCT (online) Minutes (Website)

Present (or partly present): Christina Härdi-Landerer, Debbie Kirkby, Thomas Egli, Guy Newson, David Laing, Mianne Erne (minutes).

A) agenda for the council meeting

Open Forum and Council Meeting are mostly the same contents, a bit more in detail in CM.

Which first? – Has been done both ways. Probably only one evening for both.

1. commodore's report -

format will be based on previous reports

2. financial report 2017 -

Guy won't be at Carnac, will write a report in the lines Penny did.

3. secretary's report -

Linus is in the process of locating all the prizes.

4. technical issues, e.g. poles -

Tom has been in touch with Chris about the UK experiences, they're putting together some options. They'll try to post it before the event, about mid-July, so participants can inform themselves. NCAs are very split about the issue, some very much for it, some very much against it.

Discuss it in Carnac; UKFA have asked to vote, vote should be completed by September before World Sailing meeting.

5. budget 2018

Budgets haven't really been done in the past; they are planned for the future. There are some unsolved issues about patent fees dating back over 20 years. These should be looked into next year.

Decision: add the following points to the council meeting agenda:

- International event calendar
- Rear Commodore's reports
- AOB

B) FI website

A good bit of work has been done, it's now easier to use but still needs a lot of work. Website should probably be adaptable for cell phone use as well as computer use. It's possible to do but we'd need more admin rights. Those rights should be lodged with the Secretary. Ruedi Moser will be asked to maintain the website until a new Webmaster has been found.

C) Worlds 2018 infos; charter boats

There is now a platform for charter boats. A few minor problems still need to be looked into, Fancois is on the ball there. Tom will be there as a volunteer but will not head the committee. Ideally you don't want a competitor to head the measuring committee.

D) Worlds 2019 no problems so far

Update: Preparations are very far advenced. Accommodation will probably be on a billeting basis (i.e. sailors staying with club members). Shipper out of Holland might sponsor us heavily, but not sure yet. The only big expense will be the flight. NOR will be ready before Carnac, presentation will be given at Carnac.

Information to be published on Website immediately after Carnac.

E) Europeans 2019 infos? problems?

It will be a rather small event because of Worlds in the same year. Everything is on track, the big problem being the UKFA Nationals on the same date. Perfect organisation by the club.

Europeans will be introduced in Carnac.

F) Worlds 2020 any needs?

No new information at present, preparations on track.

G) Central European Cup prizes

A sponsor has been found, but we'd like to have FI backing it in case of sponsor failure. Could other continents profit as well? Prizes should be sponsored mostly by the NCAs that take part, FI only a small amount.

To benefit NCAs: Set apart a certain amount of money that NCAs can apply for. Linus and Guy have a look into this, if anyone else has ideas, let them know. Aim for September/October; also discuss it at Carnac, e.g. at open forum.

This year no sponsoring for Central European Cup.

H) AOB

Nothing to note.

End of meeting: about 23:30 UCT

Aarau, 3 July 2018

Mianne Erne