

Commissioner's and Undergraduate President's notes from ICSA Midwinter Meeting
January 10, 2014

Bulleted list of important changes below, raw notes follow. Nationals information attached to this email. Please refer to official ICSA meeting minutes for official records. Thank you to undergraduate president Ian Storck for his assistance with this record.

All-America Committee: no longer necessary to submit nominations for skippers, new nomination form for crews, very important to have crew nomination forms completed. Addition of a second representative from NEISA and MAISA.

All-Academic Committee: Performance standards removed from criteria. Criteria for All-Acad: minimum 3.3 GPA, minimum of 7 regattas per year, must be a junior or senior. Spring nomination period: Apr 15-May 15. Likely a more simple nomination process, including uploading a transcript.

Championship Committee: Sta-masters will be allowed at the hosts discretion at all venues. They will not be used at the National Championship in 2015, and unlikely for 2016 (San Diego doesn't have them).

2015 Spring Nationals Reports: Full reports attached to this email. 2015 Spring Nationals, very similar to 2008, 2 coachboats, 1 coach on the water, NOR for team racing by Mar 1. Likely to use alternate fleets for Round of Eight and Final Four. Likely to have same umpires for nationals at New England and SMC TR. *Housing will fill fast, be sure to book early.*

2015 Fall Singlehanded: Nov 6-8, 2015 ODU, Locker and gear storage, coachboats, movement towards removing the responsibility of loading the truck from the competitors.

2015 Match Race: Nov 20-22, 2015, College of Charleston. Document attached.

Techscore: Techscore will be modified to document alternates that attend the regatta but don't sail in a race.

Flags: No motion, but NEISA will experiment with flags this spring and report back to ICSA.

\$100 Additional Fee for Team Race Regattas: There was philosophical agreement that this was a good idea, but concern about the logistics of it. Tabled until the spring ICSA meeting when we hope to have it sorted out.

Match Race Weight: Raised to 660 lbs.

Motion to create ad hoc committee to investigate rotation of members of ICSA Standing Committees: Carried

Proposal to create ad hoc committee to investigate shorter ICSA seasons, shorter national championship block, practice seasons: Carried.

President's report

- APS dropping as team race sponsor
- Opens door for new sponsor: Land's End?
- Plan to begin having board of directors conference calls once per month

Treasurer's report

- ICSA finances are healthy
- Budget passed unopposed

All America committee report

- Lots of change over past several years.
 - Techscore, rise in import of team racing, expanded nationals
- Committee thinks we can now eliminate skipper nomination forms
- Rise in need for crew nomination forms
- Thinks we should add one member each from MAISA and NEISA to represent growing number of viable AA candidates from each conference
- Werblow: 20 years as chair is probably long enough, should have other people involved
- Callahan: do members step out when their players are being discussed
 - Werblow: it depends
- Conferences should make more nominations. Even for players already on conference all-star teams
- All America Committee plans to interact directly with conference all-star committees.
- Crew nom forms are very needed. Form is being redesigned to make more sense
- No rules about conflict of interest in discussion
- There is a 'watch list' apparently
- Every year there are people who are exceedingly deserving that do not make the list.
- Approved

All Academic report/proposal (Lindblad)

- Motion to remove the performance standard carried

Championship Committee Report

- Has not met since annual meeting
- Staymaster update:
 - Tested at 4 events
 - No adverse effects on regattas themselves
- Host schools are allowed to decide protocol at fleet races

2015 spring nationals (SRU/Brown-Mollicone)

- very similar to 2008
- 2 coach boats, one coach on the water limit
- NOR for team racing with format, boats by March 1
- competitors' meeting night before each event
- Campbell: annual meeting lunch cost should be reduced (from 32)
- Housing will fill fast, book early and cancel if need be

2015 singlehandeds (ODU-Higgins)

- lockers available for competitors
- coachboats will be available

- home football weekend: Go monarchs!
- Various people: can we not have competitors lifting boats at the end of a national championship?

2015 Match race (CofC-Hall)

2016 spring nationals

- San Diego, Broadway Pier
- California FJs
- Team Racing on Memorial Day

2016 singlehandeds- Galveston, TX

All academic

- Cum. Gpa 3.3
- 7 ICSA regattas
- juniors and seniors

spring nomination period being kept (april 15-may 15)

motion carried

Appeals report (Vandemoer)

- Nothing

Communications and website

- Committee will have new chair
- Website needs to be redesigned.
- Motion to spend no more than 15,000 dollars on website redesign

No hall of fame report

Interconference regattas (Richards)

Procedural rules (Eaton)

- Something about lifejackets
- Competitors shall wear non-inflatable pfd's on the water
- Pizzo: clarify guidelines for awarding breakdown points

Conference reports

SAISA (Hall)

- Strong
- New website
- Adding teams

PCC (jeff)

- Some kind of new regatta

NEISA (Assad)

- New teams
- Institutional improvements
 - New boathouses
 - Lots of New fleets

- Women's sailing improving
 - Encourage everyone to improve this side of the sport
- Billing system revamped
- Website still needs to be improved
- Rotating membership on standing committees
- Review berths at in conference interconferences
- Commissioner change. Thanks MOC

MAISA (Callahan)

- 53 teams
- encouraging women's sailing
- lots of new fleets

Ad-hoc techscore committee report

- Burman: reserve designation
 - Overall results list whole team that was at the event
 - Done

10 race maximum rule-kicked to championship committee

lunch break

new Business!

BUSA tour (king)

- Weekends 2-5
- Thanks to hosts
- Need help to select ICSA sailors

Use of flags during starting sequence (NEISA)

- No motion
- NEISA is experimenting with this

Proposal to charge out of conference teams at NEISA TR additional 100 dollar entry fee

- But what about logistical issues
- Motion tabled until spring meeting

Motion that MR weight limit raised from 620 to 660 lbs. **Carried**

Proposal to create rotation of members on ICSA standing committees

- Motion to create ad-hoc committee **carried**

Proposal to change competition limits (MAISA)

Move this meeting to Friday (NEISA)

- Withdrawn

Appointment of the nominating committee