

NEISA Executive Committee Conference Call Minutes
September 13, 2016

Call to order: 19:32

Motions:

1. Motion to support Charleston bid fro 2017 national championship contingent that it is the same days that Chicago proposed.
 - a. Passed with none opposed
2. Motion to allow the use of both the MK2 sail and the original cut laser sail at Men's Singlehanded New England's.
 - a. Passed with none opposed

Action Items:

1. Address to issue of a host for the 2017 nationals.
2. Address the use of the MK2 laser sail at the Men's Singlehanded New England's Championship.

Minutes:

1. Call to Order(Assad)
 - a. Roll Call of Executive Board (Online) (Assad)
 - b. Attendance
 - i. Executive Board: Justin Assad, Hannah Lynn, Frank Pizzo, Brian Swingly, Diana Weidenbacker, Mike O'Connor, John Mollicone, Charlie Welsh, Jen Lee
 - ii. Other: Quentin Chafee, Rachel Bryer, Amanda Callahan, Stan Schreyer
2. Discussion about ICSA College Nationals 2017
 - a. Summary of the events that led to Chicago Yacht Club and University of Wisconsin to back out of hosting.
 - b. After meeting with Charleston tourism committee Greg Fischer informed members of NEISA that it may be possible for Nationals to be the same dates as Chicago proposed.
 - c. Potential new dates would be having the the ICSA Meeting May 22nd with women's starting May 23rd.
 - d. The proposal to have Charleston host was recommended by championship committee.
 - e. Assad explains the academic issues that the top twelve schools in New England face.
 - f. Discussion:
 - i. O'Connor proposes that NEISA puts together a bid for this year in the event that Charleston cannot host on original dates and if not this year then for 2018.

- ii. Mollicone asks a question to confirm that Charleston is still not the confirmed host.
 - iii. Wilkinson responds with explaining how the Championship committee recommended to board for Charleston to host. The executive committee then approved the motion however the board of ICSA determines where and when nationals happens.
 - iv. Assad is prepared to say NEISA can host on the traditional dates in the event that Charleston cannot participate.
 - g. Motion to support Charleston bid for 2017 national championship contingent that it is the same days that Chicago proposed. (Assad)**
 - i. Seconded
 - ii. Motion Passes Unanimously**
3. Discussion about Nationals 2018
- a. Going off of O'Connor's idea the proposal to host nationals in Boston is presented.
 - b. Greg explains how the current priority has been finding a host for 2017 simply because having a host drop out in August makes things significantly more challenging.
 - c. The proposal for nationals 2018 is that it would happen in Boston. Rather than it being an individual team that hosts the event schools would join together to host. Such as races being run out of MIT. While other things are provided by other schools.
 - d. Many believe a Boston bid for nationals would be quite strong.
4. Discussion about the MK2 laser sail at the Men's Singlehanded New England's Championship.
- a. Assad explains the recent sail change and what is different about the sail. Also how the Laser class accepted it as class legal last year.
 - b. Discussion:
 - i. Amanda voices concern over how if it is allowed it would give the boats with the MK2 sail an unfair advantage over people with the standard sail.
 - ii. Welsh explains thoughts on how there is not much difference in the two sails.
 - iii. Weidenbacker proceeds to ask about whether or not other Laser sails will be allowed at the the event such as intensity sails.
 - iv. Assad addresses Weidenbacker question by saying the objective is to stay focused on the two class legal sails.
 - c. Motion to allow the use of both the Mark II sail and the original cut (Mark I) Laser sail at Men's Singlehanded New England's.**
 - d. Seconded
 - e. Passed with none opposed**
5. Announcements, Time of Next Meeting, and Adjournment (Assad)

- a. Next meeting: October
- b. Motion to adjourn**
 - i. Seconded
 - ii. Motion passes unanimously**