

**MINUTES - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the International Raceboard Class Association**  
**Date: Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2018 at 18:00.** **Venue: Blanes, Spain.**

**1. Welcome and registration of voting delegates and email votes**

The class chairman, Paul Leone, welcomed delegates and observers to the meeting.  
Four members of the committee were unable to attend and sent their apologies.  
Committee members present: Paul Leone, Fernando Consorte, Marc Leutscher. Votes – 3  
The following committee members submitted email votes:  
Piotr Hlavaty, Marc Cardon, Murat Tuten, Fred Becquart. Votes - 4  
The following national class associations, holding current membership of the international class, appointed delegates: ARG, AUS, BEL, CZE, ESP, FIN, FRA, GER, HUN, LAT, POL, POR, SVK.  
GBR submitted an email vote. Votes - 14

The meeting was declared quorate with a total of **21 votes** in the room.  
Those present were reminded that a 2 thirds majority of votes present was required to approve a Class Rule submission.  
A simple majority needed to approve other Championship Rule and Other submissions.

**2. [Minutes of the previous meeting](#) and any matters arising**

An attendee commented that the minutes with regard to the composition of the Technical Committee did not reflect the meeting. Paul Leone explained the Committees actions and appointments.  
Ceri Williams reminded the meeting that the minutes would primarily record the decisions taken and not report any detailed discussions.

**3. Chairman's Report**

Paul Leone reflected on a successful year for the class; and looked forward to another year of progress in developing the class. With that in mind and the important submissions to be debated this year he outlined the challenges ahead. He reported on the World Sailing mid-year meeting attended by himself and Ceri Williams; the outcome of the conference looked positive for windsurfing. He commented on the latest developments with Windsurfer LT and was looking forward to a positive relationship with the class.

**4. Financial Statement**

For delegates present that were not familiar with the role of IWA, the Chairman summarized its role. The details of class activity would be reflected in the 2017 Management Accounts due to be published in the coming weeks.

**5. [Class Rules](#) – [Submissions](#) – [see AGM Appendix](#)**

i) It is proposed by the Class Committee to **amend** Class Rule **C.8.1.b) - Size**

Men	Maximum	<del>9.5</del> m2	<b>9.500</b> m2
Woman	Maximum	<del>8.5</del> m2	<b>8.500</b> m2
Youths	Maximum	<del>8.5</del> m2	<b>8.500</b> m2

Submission **APPROVED** – YES 20; NO 0

ii) It is proposed by FRA RB Association to limit Junior sailors to a maximum sail size of 8.500 m2.

Submission **APPROVED** – YES 14; NO 7

iii) It is proposed by FRA RB to limit Junior men to a maximum sail size of 8.500 m2 and Youth/Junior women to a maximum sail size of 7.800 m2.

Submission **NOT APPROVED** – see above

iv) It is proposed by the Class Chairman to add new rule to limit board volume to 331 litres.

Submission **NOT APPROVED** – YES 9; NO 12

v) It is proposed by the ESP RB Association to allow the registration of 3 sails by Veteran sailors.

Submission **APPROVED** – YES 14; NO 7

**6. [Class Championship Rules \(CCR\) Submissions](#) – [see AGM Appendix](#)**

i) **Age Division restructure** - a proposal from Class Chairman.

(a) CCR **2.2.1 Youth** (C) is a man or woman who is less than ~~20~~ **19** years old.

(b) CCR **2.2.2 Master** (D) is a man **or woman** who has reached the age ~~35~~ **40**, ~~of a woman who has reached the age of 30;~~

- (c) CCR **2.2.3 Grand Master** (E) is a man **or woman** who has reached the age of 45 **50**, or a woman who has reached the age of 40.
- (d) CCR **2.2.4 Veteran** (F) is a man **or woman** who has reached the age of 55 **60**, or a woman who has reached the age of 50.
- (e) CCR **2.2.5 Super Veteran** (G) is a man who has reached the age of 65, or a woman who has reached the age of 60.
- (f) **ADD** new age division – **Junior** is a man or woman who is less than **23** years old.
- (g) **ADD** new definition – **Senior** is a man or woman who has reached the age of **23**.
- (h) **If approved the numbering shall be amended accordingly.**

The Chairman approved a friendly amendment – to keep Super Veteran category unchanged.  
Submission **APPROVED** – YES 20; NO 1

**ii) Marathon Rules** – a proposal from the Class Chairman.

- (a) A Marathon Race shall be scored as 2 races.

The Chairman accepted a friendly amendment and withdrew his submission. It was agreed to weight the scoring for first place to 0.7. It was also agreed that special prizes/trophies be awarded for the race. The importance of hosting a marathon would be emphasized in the event contract (MOU).  
**APPROVED** (by those present) – YES 14.

**Before moving to further voting it was recorded that there were now 15 votes in the room.**

**7. Other Submissions – see AGM Appendix**

- i) **R300 - a revision** – with proposals from the Class Secretary.

The Class Secretary withdrew the submission and the options on the voting paper.

It was noted Championship Rule #2.4. Equipment Divisions remained in place:

**“2.4.1 Hybrid.** A ‘hybrid’ is any production raceboard with a maximum length of 310cm”.

R310, under current Class Rules, would replace R300.

- ii) **R350 – a new vision** – with proposals from FRA RB and ESP RB Associations.

- a) **“to support the introduction of a new ‘R350’ Class....”**

**NOT APPROVED** – YES 5; NO 14

- b) **“to instruct the Committee to bring forward to next AGM proposals based upon the principles outlined by FRA/ESP RB Associations.”**

**APPROVED** – YES 12; NO 8

**8. Future Championships and venues**

**2019 Europeans** - 13<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> May 2019 at Nove Milny, Pavlov, Czech Republic

**2019 Worlds** – It was agreed to follow bid from Warnemunder Segal Club/DWSV to host during Warnemunder Week 2019 from 6<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> July.

**2019 Masters Worlds** – to be confirmed, with possible addition of new Junior Worlds.

**2020 Europeans** – to follow up proposal from La Rochelle, France.

**2020 Worlds** – It was agreed to follow up bid from Hungarian Windsurfing Association to host on Lake Balaton towards the end of August.

**2021** – to follow up proposal from La Rochelle, France.

**2021** – to follow up proposal from POR Sailing Federation to host in Lisbon.

**9. Any Other Business**

- i) **Additional financing for Class Championships**

It was agreed to form a Working Party to review additional sources of financing for class championships. The Working Party would report back to the Committee; members to include: Lars Deiterding (GER), Levente Nagy-Pal (HUN), and Pedro Moura (POR).

- ii) **Incentives to attract female competitors**

It was agreed the committee investigate ways to increase female participation.

- iii) **Student Championships**

It was agreed that the Committee follow up the proposed from the FRA RB Association that the class look at all possibilities to increase participation from the 18>25 year age group. A student championship seemed a worthwhile project to investigate further.