

PASAF Executive Committee Minutes August 18-19, 2018 Lima Peru

- 1. Meeting was called to **Order** at 0915 hours by President John Bennett (BRA) on 18 August 2018.
- Roll call was made President John Bennett (BRA), Secretary-General & VP Fred Hagedorn (USA), Treasurer & VP David Covo (CAN), VP Alberto Dana (MEX), VP Hector Duval (DOM), and both VP Pablo Masseroni (ARG) and VP Eric Tulla (PUR) reported in via phone and were available throughout the meeting, and Host Representative Jorge Barreda (PER)

At this point, President Bennett transferred the management of the meeting to Secretary-General Hagedorn.

- 3. **MINUTES** The Minutes from the meeting of the Executive Committee held in Lima, Peru, September 22, 2017 had been previously approved by Electronic Vote via e-mail.
- 4. **REPORT of the President** President Bennett was invited to make a report, however he opted to make his report via the agenda items and summarize at the end of the meetings.
- 5. **REPORT of the Treasurer** Treasurer Covo reported that our bank balance is currently at \$12,402.34. Invoices to our Member MNAs will be sent out in September 2018 for our quadrennial dues of \$200 per MNA for those who have not already paid.
- 6. Review of the Meeting with COPAL regarding Lima 2019, held on 17 August 2018.
 - a. 2019 Pan Am Games
 - i. Coco Barreda, David Covo and Fred Hagedorn will monitor and finalize the MNA Qualifications as results are confirmed. The Website is up-to-date.
 - ii. Athletes' Village -- PASAF continues to recommend San Agustin Paracas the COPAL Accommodations team will confirm by October 2018
 - iii. The Paracas Hotel is the recommendation of PASAF for the Technical Officials. PASAF is leaving the hotel selection for the Pan AM/PASAF Family to COPAL, as the other two groups are the priority. We expect to have information for MNA Presidents regarding the availability of housing and credentials by January 2019.
 - iv. The layout of the venue at and near the Yacht Club was reviewed by Ricardo Navarro, commented on and approved with his changes.
 - v. TV Sailing will now be included in the summary clips at the end of each broadcast day. PASAF shared a u-tube re-play of the coverage at Aarhus, DEN earlier this month. This intrigues COPAL and PASAF has been asked to provide a budget estimate to accomplish this level of coverage. President Bennett and Secretary-General Hagedorn will work on this with both World Sailing and COPAL, as it is critical that Sailing be live-streamed, at least the medal races, at the Games.
 - vi. Sale of Tickets we are selling spots on the Long Boats and Beach area in front of Club, so members of the public may be out on the water near the start and finish lines, next to the coaches in their long boats for the Games. 10% of all ticket sales will accrue to



PASAF as we understand it. In ADDITION, COPAL received our suggestion of a Shore Location to erect a Grandstand to view the Medal Races and to host the Medal Ceremonies. COPAL is very interested in this suggestion as it is a way to combine further with a Fan-Fest approach to bring the community into the Games. COPAL should have feedback to PASAF by mid-September of 2018.

vii. COACH BOATS – although coach boats will be permitted during the Test event in 2018, they will not be permitted during the games themselves, based on concerns from the Nature Conservancy. Longboats will be provided for coaches out on each of the race courses. As there will not be enough safety boats to support the specific needs of Boards and 49erfx sailors the following --

MOTION was Made, Seconded and APPROVED – Each MNA with a 49erFX and/or a Windsurfing Board Competitor (male and/or female) may bring 1 RIB to support each area of racing with a maximum of 2 boats, one for the 49erfx racing area and one for the Windsurfing racing area.

- viii. Race Areas 4 circles
 - 1. Trapezoid Laser, Laser Radial and Sunfish
 - 2. Windward-Leeward 2 race areas
 - a. RS/x and 49erFX
 - b. Nacra 17, Snipe and Lightning
 - c. Kites (along the Beach)

We will alternate early and late start times among fleets. Race Committee will announce schedule day-by-day. Number of races will be 10-12 for the series.

Ricardo Navarro will be hosting two Race Management Clinics with 50 participants, with the goal of identifying 39 Race Officers out of this pool.

- ix. ITO List of International Judges and Equipment Inspectors was reviewed by the Executive Committee and forwarded on to World Sailing for the actual appointments via our WS Technical Delegate Ricardo Navarro.
- x. The Technical Manual Draft is ready to move forward and should be finalized by September 2018. The NOR and Sailing Instructions will follow shortly thereafter, per Ricardo Navarro, TD.
- xi. The Executive Committee discussed the possibility of working with World Sailing's Training and Development staff to develop a Coaching Clinic in Paracas, Peru, prior to the competition as a part of the legacy of the Pan AM Games. David Covo will connect WS T&D Staff with Coco Barreda.
- xii. The Executive Committee THANKED President Bennett, Secretary-General Hagedorn, Treasurer Covo, Jorge Barreda (PER) and Technical Delegate Navarro for the detailed update and for their representation of our Federation to COPAL.
- xiii. Venue will Open on July 31, 2019. Races will begin on August 3. Medal Races will be on August 9 and 10.



- b. 2020 Olympic Games Continental Qualification and the 2019 Pan Am Games. World Sailing has confirmed that BOTH the Laser and Laser Radial events will be used as Continental Country-Qualifiers for North America and South America for the 2020 Olympic Games.
- c. Per Diem for Race Officials was raised this is an issue for COPAL. It will be consistent across sports. ITOs will be at one level and NTOs will be at about half of that per COPAL. It should be noted that per Diems are based on Roles Filled, not qualifications.

7. OLD BUSINESS -

- a. ACODEPA President Bennett shared that this organization has become less effective with the movement of its President to the role of Secretary-General of Pan Am Sports. As a federation, we need to strengthen our relationships within ACODEPA. To this end, PASAF Executives are asked to review the IF Leaders in ACODEPA and share bios and introductions with President Bennett. **ACTION BY ExCom members...**
- b. David Covo reported on the updates to the PanAmSailing.org website.
- c. An initial DRAFT update to the Constitution was shared and discussed. A number of updates will be completed and then shared again with the ExCom. Once there is agreement with the Draft, it will be shared with the MNA's for adoption at the 2019 General Assembly of PASAF. The primary issues being addressed include:
 - i. Electronic Voting options and permissions
 - ii. Change dues from annual to current practice of quadrennial
 - iii. Clarify equipment selection process and responsibility
 - iv. Bring selection of officials for the Pan Am Games in compliance with World Sailing Regulations
 - v. Consider how PASAF may be able to assist Member MNAs with scheduling Regional Seminars with World Sailing
 - vi. Ensure we are in compliance not only with World Sailing but with ODEPA rules.

The issue of Proxies was raised, but in-person representation was preferred by the majority as it avoids the "dialing-for-votes" approach that might follow. It is better to have MNAs attend the General Assembly and both share and hear the conversation directly. Of course, the current approach of NO Proxies runs the risk of "finding a local national from some other MNA to vote", when they know nothing about sailing. Proxies are an issue for the General Assembly to discuss further.

It was also discussed to consider making some of the Regional Games within the Pan Am Region as country qualifiers for the Pan Am Games – although this does not fit in the Constitution, it is a viable idea for the next games and will be passed on to the next Executive Committee for action. One example of this is that of the 10 events in the 2019 Lima Pan Am Games, 7 were also held at the Central American and Caribbean Games, namely the Laser, Laser Radial, RS:X Windsurfing Men and Women, Kite, Snipe and Sunfish – so there is real overlap and therefore real opportunity.

ACTION -- The Draft Updated Constitution is to be updated based on the comments received during the meeting and re-send to the Executive Committee. A Conference Call will be



scheduled. Once there is a Majority Vote to initiate the changes, the Proposed Constitution will be sent to the MNAs along with the Notice of Meeting for the General Assembly.

- 8. NEW BUSINESS
 - a. We need to prepare to be called upon to make recommendations and to oversee a sailing event at proposed Junior Pan Am Games as well as YOUTH Pan Am Games. This will probably be in our hands in the next 4 years.
 - b. We had a discussion regarding the process of selecting Both Events and Equipment for the Pan Am Games. We note the following:
 - i. Pan Am Sports will be applying more pressure to select Olympic Events and Equipment, and to have them used as Olympic Country Qualifiers.
 - ii. That PASAF will need to explore strategies that expand our Olympic profile without totally abandoning strong non-Olympic Pan Am Equipment (classes). One way is to use Pan Am specific equipment in an Event that is parallel to one in the Olympic program.
 - iii. One idea that was discussed, to continue support for Pan Am Equipment, and to recognize regional strengths, might be to invite the host MNA to propose a single event and/or equipment.
 - iv. Another idea is to develop events such that a competitor has the opportunity to potentially win multiple medals in a single Games. This might be an added medal using equipment that is already available at the games. It was also noted that one of the strongest arguments in support of the concept of 'multiple medals' is that we would be adding medal events WITHOUT increasing the athlete quota (ie, no extra costs to the host).
 - v. We also touched on the idea of having one event be universal and permit sailors of all physical capabilities to compete directly one example of this might be a Singlehanded Keel Boat event using the 2.4 mR as the equipment.
 - c. The CSV has asked if the Pan Am Sailing Federation would like to participate in some of their committees. This idea has merit, if we include members from the other Regional Association in the Pan Am Region. This will continue to be discussed by the Executive Committee over the ensuing months and with the other Regional associations.
 - d. The question was raised again as to if we might want to help Member MNA's who do NOT have their own Appeals Committee with a Pan Am Sailing Federation panel of Judges to provide this service on a volunteer basis.

ACTION - It was moved, seconded and APPROVED for PASAF to identify volunteers and once assembled to inform Member MNA's that this is available as needed. This committee will NOT be available to events that are held in MNA's with fully constituted Appeals Committees.

9. Motion to Adjourn was approved at 1245 hours on 19 August 2018.

The 2019 Executive Committee Meetings and the PASAF General Assembly will be held in August 2019 in Paracas, Peru. The specific date and time will be announced in due course.