MINUTES - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the International Raceboard Class Association

Date: Wednesday 10th July 2019.

Venue: Rostock-Warnemunde, Germany.

1. Welcome and registration of voting delegates and email votes

The class chairman, Paul Leone, welcomed delegates and observers to the meeting.

Five members of the committee were unable to attend and sent their apologies.

Committee members present: Paul Leone & Fernando Consorte. Votes – 2

The following committee members submitted email votes:

Piotr Hlavaty, Marc Cardon, Murat Tuten, Fred Becquart, Marc Leutscher. Votes - 5

The following national class associations, holding current membership of the international class, appointed delegates: ARG, AUS, BEL, CZE, ESP, FIN, FRA, GBR, GER, LAT, POL, SVK, USA.

ITA & POR submitted email votes. Votes - 15

The meeting was declared guorate with a total of **22 votes** in the room.

2. Minutes of the previous meeting

There were no matters arising.

3. Chairman's Report

Paul Leone presented a positive report with stable class activity in both 2018 and 2019. His main challenge was how to establish successful major championships outside of Europe, and how to further grow attendance of younger sailors, which was showing an encouraging positive trend.

4. Financial Statement

Raceboard Class continues to contribute significantly towards the overall revenue of the IWA; and to enjoy the benefits of a surplus that has been put towards improving the media presentation at selective major events.

5. Class Rules - Submissions

i) It is proposed to change name of "JUNIOR" division to "UNDER 23" division.

APPROVED - YES 21; NO 1.

6. Class Championship Rules - Submissions

i) It is proposed that a competitor from any nation in the world may compete in a class continental championship and be declared that continental champion.

Current status – all competitors welcome to enter any continental championships, but continental titles are awarded to competitors representing a nation within the host continent (as defined in World Sailing – Nationality Criteria).

NOT APPROVED - NO 18; YES 4.

7. Elections

i) The following committee members were re-elected to the Committee:

Paul Leone (GBR), Marc Cardon (FRA), Murat Tuten (GER), Fernando Consorte (ARG), Piotr Hlavaty (POL), Marc Leutscher (ESP), Fred Becquart (FRA). APPROVED – YES 22.

8. Future Championships

2020 Europeans – Sopot, Poland, 25>30 May

2020 Worlds – Balaton, Hungary, 24>31 August

2020 Masters Worlds - Hondarribia, Spain Tbc 12>17 October

2020 U23 Worlds – options including Hungary in August are being explored.

2021 - options (tbc) include Lake Garda (ITA), Salou & Cadiz (ESP) and Riga (LAT).

9. Any Other Business

- i) Increasing U23 to U25 division for Worlds was discussed, but not supported.
- ii) The sail size for U23 was reviewed but no change supported.
- iii) It was agreed to ask the Committee to amend Championship Rules to include an U25 division in Open Worlds with competitors able to use the 9.5 sail.

Therefore u25 will be a new addition to senior fleet racing, and not a substitution for U23.