## US SAILING Board of Directors Meeting Sunday, October 19, 2008

Present: Dick Allsopp, President Jim Capron, Susan Epstein, Vice President Tom Hubbell, Treasurer Leslie Keller, Patty Lawrence, Jerry Montgomery, Bill Stump, Jim Tichenor, and non-voting Ex Officio members, Secretary Fred Hagedorn and Executive Director Charlie Leighton.

- 1. The meeting was called to order by President Capron at 10:15 am Eastern Time.
- 2. Secretary Hagedorn called the roll and announced that a quorum was present.
- 3. Secretary Hagedorn invited nominations for the office of President of The United States Sailing Association. President Baxter, as Chair of the Nominating and Governance Committee, nominated Jim Capron. A **MOTION** to close nominations was made, seconded and APPROVED.
- 4. The Board unanimously elected President Capron to a third 1-year term.
- 5. Secretary Hagedorn invited nominations for Vice-President. Tom Hubbell was nominated and a **Motion** to close nominations was made, seconded and APPROVED.
- 6. The Board unanimously elected Vice-President Hubbell to a third 1-year term.
- 7. President Capron asked the Board's patience while he finalized his recommendations for Committee Chairs. Capron intends to have the listing out to the Board in the next week and an interim meeting for the sole purpose of reviewing and approving these nominations may be held shortly thereafter.
- 8. New Business Treasurer Keller suggested to the Board that it consider forming a task force or working party to work on determining how US SAILING can best implement the Digital Rights Management (DRM) software that US SAILING procured last year to protect our intellectual property. We can then publish our documents (Race Management, Training, etc.) on-line with appropriate safeguards. Keller also challenged all of us, especially the Association's committee chairs to bring in more "young adults (under 40)" into the working ranks of the association. Keller encouraged the Judges Committee to expand its certification programs to incorporate "club judges" similar to what the Race Management Committee has. Keller also reminded all of us that \$36 of our dues is Tax Deductible!
  - a. A **MOTION** was made, seconded and APPROVED to have the President name a working party to develop a policy on what Intellectual Property should be available publicly and what should be restricted and how to determine this; with an expectation that a final report will be available at the December, 2008, meeting of the Board of Directors.
- 9. The meeting was adjourned at 10:35 am Eastern Time Zone.

Respectfully submitted,

Frederick H. Hagedorn Secretary