



Minutes

December Board Meeting

📅 Mon December 9th, 2019

🕒 7:30pm - 9:30pm EST

I. **Call to Order and Roll Call**

In attendance: Board: CEO Jack Gierhart, President Cory Sertl, Treas. John Schoendorf, Sec. Martine, VP Rich Jepsen, Charlie Arms, Henry Brauer, Bruce Burton, Clerc Cooper, Dave Perry, Briana Provancha, Tony Rey, William Ruh, John Sangmeister

Excused: Russ Lucas

Guests: 24 guests on call including staff.

II. **Announcements - President's Report**

President's Report: Stand as submitted, can be found online: <https://www.ussailing.org/about/our-people/board-of-directors/presidents-report/>. Cory gave highlights of her trip to Colorado Springs and National Coaching Symposium in Miami including being able to attend the Women's Coaching Clinic led by Elizabeth Kratzig in which Dr. Nicole La Voi led a discussion regarding safety, value, and support. Cory shared the tasks and members of the Board's working group.

III. **Consent Calendar**

Decision: Vote # 1, motion to approve consent calendar unanimously approved

- a. **Minutes from the November 14th Board meeting**
- b. **Minutes from the November 15th Board Meeting (new board)**
- c. **BAR20191204 M32 Worlds in Miami**
- d. **BAR20191206 - Championship Conditions Update - Champion of Champions Draft 12/19**

IV. **CEO Update**

Jack gave an update on the Year-End appeal, "The Power to Empower" as well as the continued push on membership. Membership is financially on track and is slowly seeing active member numbers improve. The multi-year membership has been reinstated starting the beginning of December. Mike Waters and Lucy Davidson have been working to tighten up and finalize plans

for growth next year.

V. Treasurer's Report

The budget has been approved by the Budget Committee. John Schoendorf reviewed budget assumptions and preliminary topics. He discussed how questions will be addressed before the budget call next week.

VI. Vice President Report Dec 2019

Report stands as submitted. Discussed SLF opportunities; excitement over the new chair of D&I Debora Abrams-Wright focus/ efforts on getting things done for women's sailing, adaptive sailing, and diversity, equity, and inclusion as well as shared how his Sailing as a Lifetime Activity Work Group was established.

VII. Secretary Report

a. Schedule 2020 - Draft

In-person meeting in Bristol proposed for March 27-29; another in-person will occur in November date and location TBD.

b. Sailing Leadership Forum - Event overview, Board Schedule

Board leadership team will join the afternoon session of the OSC meeting on Wednesday, February 5th, any board members are welcome to join. They will discuss the next steps beyond Tokyo 2020. Additionally, each morning of SLF (Thurs-Sat) Cory will host a board breakfast from 7-8 am for Board discussions.

VIII. OSC Update

Bruce shared an update about major topics from Miami OSC Meeting; budget, athlete toolbox, USOPC funding, 33% mandated athlete representation on board and LA2028 planning. Meredith shared the 49ers, FX and N17 results at Worlds as well as discussed the opportunities that could allow for 49ers to qualify. She presented Luther's observations of what is currently working and the 60-day re-set along with working with coaches to revise coaching styles and focus on mindset.

IX. Old Business - nothing

X. New Business - nothing

XI. Exective Session

XII. Adjourn

Motion to Adjourn 9:58pm.



Action Request Form

Request No. BAR20191204 M32 Worlds **Date Submitted:** 12/4/2019

Submitted By: Martine Zurinkas, Secretary US Sailing

Subject: Approval of World Championships in US

Action Requested:

Resolved, that the US Sailing Board of Directors gives its approval, pursuant to World Sailing Regulation.10.5(m), to the following world championship in the United States:

2020 M32 Worlds Miami, Florida organized by the M32 North American Class Association.

Member Impacts: Describe below the impacts (i.e. Will it be seen as a member benefit or not? Explain)

No impacts on members.

Will this proposal bring in new members?

Yes, _____ Estimated Number No Unknown

Mission Impacts: Describe below how and why this creates value.

Positive impact (be specific): Encourages high-level competition in the US.

Financial Impacts: Describe below any expected financial impacts on US Sailing. Include figures.

No impact.

Summary:

I certify that this proposal has been checked. Governing Documents affected:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Bylaws | <input type="checkbox"/> Committee Terms of Reference |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Championship Conditions | <input type="checkbox"/> Ted Stephens Act |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Regulations | |

Submitted by:

Martine Zurinkas
Secretary