



USSA BOD Meeting
Wednesday, January 31, 2024

Please note: The times for open and closed sessions are reversed for this document.

II. OPEN SESSION

Called to order by President Jepsen at 2:50 pm

New Guests: Renee Mintz, Chris Tutmark, 11 members online and about 12 in person

1. Consent Calendar:

- Committee member approval- Approved.
- Minutes: December 4, December 11, January 2, 2024- Approved
- Championship approval- Approved.

2. Reports:

- CEO- Alan Ostfield gave a report (see Association Report)
- Olympics- Marcus Lynch shared with the members his vision for Olympics. Pam Healy also gave a report on the Trials.
- Financial Report- Heather Monoson gave the financial report (see Association Report)
- DEI Committee- Marie Rogers (Board Liaison to DEIC) and Renee Mintz (Chair of DEIC) gave a report.
- RSA Committee- Marie Rogers (Board Liaison to RSAC) gave a report. It was discussed that the RSA Meeting was held concurrent with the board meeting. Noted to ensure next year that there is no conflict between meetings.

3. Old Business

- Regulation 12 Task Force- BAR 2023 1222 and BAR 2023 1220 regarding Protected Events and the Prescriptions to the Racing Rules of Sailing. It was moved, seconded, and approved.

4. New Business

- Match Race Championship Conditions- Charlie Arms introduced BAR 2023 0116 which changed the invitation for WMRC to MRC. It was moved, seconded, and approved.
- ORC Congress Renewal- Chris Tutmark introduced and Matt Gallagher elaborated on the BAR 2024 0123 nominating representatives to the ORC. It was moved, seconded, and approved.



I. CLOSED WORKING SESSION OF THE BOARD

Call to order at 9:00am by President Rich Jepsen

Attendance in person: Charlie Arms, Henry Brauer, Matt Gallagher, Laura Grondin, Stan Honey, Rich Jepsen, Sarah Lihan, Marie Rogers, Judge Ryan, Alan Ostfield

On Zoom: Pam Healy, Sheila Tolle

Guests/Staff: Merrill Allen, John Israel, Marcus Lynch, Heather Monoson, Justin Sterk,

Absent: Brian Keane, Tony Rey, Maggie Shea

No Conflicts of Interest were disclosed.

1. Presidents Welcome- Rich highlighted points from his President's report
2. Herreshoff Award- Nominees were discussed. Robert L. Johnstone was chosen from among the finalists. BAR 2024 0124 was moved, seconded, and approved.
3. Foundation- Rich Jepsen gave an update on the Foundation.
4. Olympic and Trials Report- Pam Healey gave a report on the success of the first Olympic Trials. Sarah Lihan and Henry Brauer reported on the Olympic department.
5. USOPC Investigation Report Follow Up. Alan Ostfield updated the board.
6. Rule 69 Task Force- Charlie shared the BAR from the task force. It was moved, seconded, and passed to forward BAR 2024 0127 to the Governance and Compliance Committee for review.
7. Finance Report- Heather Monoson gave a financial report.
8. Introduction of High-Performance Director to the board. Marcus Lynch shared his experience at the Trials and laid out his vision and 3-month plan to the board.

Motion to Adjourn 4:18 pm