

**Winter 2020 Meeting Minutes
01 Feb 2020**

Location:

Aktion Associates
1687 Woodlands Dr
Maumee, Oh 43537

Submitted by: Blane Boynton, Secretary

In-Person Attendees (Hull#)

Todd Imbler (350)
Harald Bransch (292)
Ted Mahoney (331)
John Schellenbach (311)
Steve Gregory (249)
Mark Croll (410)
George Siaeel (343)
Dan Synowiec (343)
Steve Morrow (343)
Wes Blazer (352)
Brian Barker (304)
John Barker (335)
Blane Boynton (411)
Sean Murphy (31)

Telephone Attendees: (informal vote on jib material change effectiveness)

Tom Humphrey - Now
Ralph Richards - Wait
Hanson Bratton - Now
Anne Humphrey - No Vote
Rick & Amy Cermak - Now
Larry Peterson - Now
Nick Ward - no vote
Mike Platzke - Now
Dave Brezina - no vote
Greg Kinney - Now
Darren Beck - No Vote

- Meeting called to order at 12:07 EST -

Old Business

- **Treasurer & Financial Report – John Schellenbach**
 - Balance Aug: \$30,483, Jan: \$29,320 – See slides in meeting document
 - Financials in good shape.

- **Membership / Dues – Blane Boynton** – see slides in meeting document
 - On a go-forward basis Steve Gregory would like to be copied on sales button sales.
 - Idea to build a hull database and run a diff on roster YoY to identify owners who are not members. Blane will coordinate with Chicago Skipper Darren Beck who has worked on membership database in the past for guidance.

- **Measurers Report**

Sail Rule Discussion – Nick Ward

- Background: Some skippers have or were planning to buy North 3Di sales.
 - North had approached the class prior for approval
- Several members have asked for allowance of 3Di
- A panel was convened to assess the rule: three involved sail makers were consulted. Skip D, Chris N, ...
- A few other small changes were made to bring the class rule up to current standards.
- All three sailmakers suggested to add carbon to the sails. Currently, due to the way class sail rules are written, T10 sails need special runs to make base materials, this is actually constraining sail makers in design and production.
- Some work to complete the revisions to the rule may be required such as: bag weight, effectivity, reinforcement dimensions(?)
 - We discussed these items in the room and it seems many may be OK to leave undefined as we have not had problems with these areas in the past.
- Reviewing of draft, new text is in Red, removals are strikethrough
- Bold words refer straight back to ERS (standards body).
- Battens are to be fiberglass

Questions:

1. Will the carbon make the sail faster?
 - a. Primary benefit is longevity, durability. Hard to say
 - b. Steve G: Shape and material are different matters.
 2. Can you describe any proposed changes to the main sail rules?
 - a. There are no changes proposed to the main sail rules we are just updating to the current rule (ERS) vs (ISAF).
- Mark Croll advocates to make effective immediately.
 - We discussed effectivity around the room as it seems there is wide support for immediate effectivity.
 - Some sailmakers are aware of the notional rule change and have held production start.
 - If we need a bag weight, then it would need to be dialed in over some sample quantity of production runs, but not sure that bag weight is particularly important to define explicitly.
 - With regard to reinforcement specifications, we have always let the sailmakers design the reinforcement means.

JS: Should define remaining open items prior to putting up to a vote. John would like to talk about effectivity as primary topic.

- Suggestion to strike sentence about ERS specification of sail reinforcements.
- Steve G suggests that even if the vote for material change fails, we should consider updating the standards, etc.
- We then moved to an informal poll regarding the change and effectivity:
The poll results were as follows:

Poll: A proposal to make the jib rule change effective now (Yea) or after 2020 NAC (Nay [wait])

Yea: 14

Nay: 3

Move to next item...

- **Aft Peak Bulkhead Request – Steve Gregory**

Dave Brezina has suggested that we consider an aft “crash bulkhead” based on experience during a recent collision.

- Suggestion is 9" above the waterline, a drawing was submitted.
- Folks in the room discuss the notional positive impact on transom stiffening, unsure of if we want to open up this can of worms. A rule change for one accident is not generally desirable.
- Steve G will post a CMRC response following the meeting. (deny)
- **Fleet Reports**
 - Erie – Heidi Backus

Ended the season with regattas not being well attended. Hoping for better in 2020.
 - Michigan – Mark Croll
 - Report published in TenSpeed
 - Good participation in 2020
 - Enjoyed additional parties, flip cup and rafting party were both well attended.
 - In 2020 on the way home for the Mac shooting for fleet meet up off south manitou on the way home
 - BOY races well attended; we will adjust non-BOY on schedule accordingly
 - End of year banquet was max capacity at CYC Belmont with 160+ sailors in attendance
 - Detroit – Sean Murphy
 - Winter meeting being organized.
 - Prepping for 2021 NAC bid
 - Talking about ideas for local involvement, including positioning race / feeder.

T10 North American Championship

- **NAC Regulations Revisions**
 - Revisions to NA regs reviewed.
 - Eligibility: 2x in the past we have updated and loosened the elig rules.
 - Change 1: Contestant must be a full class member
 - Change 2: Contestant must be World Sailing Group 1, unless you are 100% owner.
 - Change 3: Co-contestant definition added.
 - Change 4: Contestant must drive whole race added.
 - Change 5: Limit WS Group 3 sailors onboard to 2.
 - Change 6: Course length changed to target race time.

- Change 7: Wind limits (upper / lower)
 - Feedback
 - Tom Humphrey:
 - Concerned about folks in “marine industry” who are technically Group 3 (example Westmarine Cashier).
 - Worried about the two-pro rule (two is too much), feels being pro’d up is counter to Corinthian competition
 - Group 3 definition is broad, and the WestMarine cashier can appeal.
 - How do we confirm the two-race requirement to be a co-contestant?
 - Updated the awards to be current.
 - Next Step is for the board to vote on the NAC regulations changes.
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- 2020 NAC at Racine Yacht Club (8/20-8/23)
 - Amy Cermak provides the following update.
 - Dates: 8/20-8/23
 - Chicago will run race from CHI to Northpoint on 8/15 as a feeder race.
 - Racine is excited to host.
 - Yachtscoring is already active for registration
 - Two launch sites have been setup to launch yachts
 - Parking has been reserved for RV campers
 - Mark Croll asks about a bottom cleaner, Amy will look into arranging.
 - Mike Platzke raises issue of the speed boat races the same weekend. Any concerns here?
 - Amy called and spoke to the powerboat PRO, we will be further offshore and she does not see any conflict.
 - Powerboats will be separated.
 - Doubletree by Hilton is on the harbor and has a room block, call and request T10 Nationals.
 - Mike Platzke will work with Amy to get the 2020 NAC details listed on the website.
 - Those bringing RVs...please provide details sooner than later.
 - Email to: acermak@gmail.com
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 - Request for 2021 NAC Host (Lake St. Claire)
 - Expected to rotate

Sanctioned Events

- Bay View OD: May 29-31, BYC
- Chicago NOOD: June 12-14, CYC
- Lake Erie Championship: June 20-23, EYC
- T10 NAC: August 20-23, RYC
- Mid-Winter / Charleston Race Week Trophy
 - John Suggests that we have this be a traveling trophy.
 - Folks like this idea.

New Business

- Can we look at awarding NAC more than 1 year out for planning purposes?
 - Perhaps we can publish the rotation and encourage bids sooner.
- Mike Platzke is asking about a measurement ruling for Hot Sauce, requesting Steve G to publish. Rule in question is 15.6.2 – Vertical bunk panel bonding. Mike will re-send, original sent May 16, 2019.
- On a go forward basis, the Secretary has offered to be CC'd on any CMRC ruling requests, then such requests shall be recorded with the requestor, change and request date and added to the class Records.
 - The Secretary volunteers to keep a list of open requests and furnish this list at the Summer and Winter meetings for review if ageing.

-Meeting Adjourned at 13:55-

Appendix 1: NAC Rules Vote

Board Members Present:

Schellenbach
Gregory
Barker
Boynton
Croll
Riddle
Murphy

Not Present:

Nick Ward
Dave Tritsch

- At 14:06 the board convenes a special session to discuss the NAC regulation changes -

See document provided with invite “Documents Link” for more details.

- Change to Article 3.2 - Unanimous Yea
- Change to Article 6.2 – Unanimous Yea
- Change to Article 6.3 – Unanimous Yea
- Change to Article 6.6 – Unanimous Yea
- A Change to article 7 – Unanimous Yea
 - Add a link to the tten.com website to sign up for World Sailing ID and classification.
- Change to Article 11.2 – Unanimous Yea
- Change to Article 12 – Unanimous Yea

All NAC rule changes have been unanimously approved by the board.

-At 14:42 the board adjourns-