

International 49er Class Association 27th Annual Meeting of the World Council

The 27th annual meeting of the World Council of the International 49er Class Association was held in person, on 4th November, 2023 and in person in Vilamoura, Portugal. The meeting started at 0900 hours Vilamoura time.

Minutes

1. Apologies were received from Julian Bethwaite, David Campbell James, Annette Duetz, Jo Aleh Massimo Contessi. Those in attendance are recorded at the bottom of these minutes. A quorum was recorded as met by having more than 18 members of the world council present.
2. Minutes of the last meeting of the 2022 World Council Meeting were accepted as previously circulated.
3. Verbal Reports of World Sailing and Executive Meetings held since the last World Council Meeting. In an update about World Sailing it was noted that the 49er Class was selected for the 2028 Olympics.
4. Finance
 - 4.1. The financial statements for the year ending 31 December 2022 were approved as presented
 - 4.2. The actual vs. budget for the year to end 31 December 2023 was presented and approved
 - 4.3. The budget for the year to end 31 December 2024 was approved
5. Ordinary Resolutions
 - Helene Naess (NOR) – Vice-President elected for a 2-year term to end at the AGM in 2025
 - Emile Amoros (FRA) – VP of 49er elected unanimously for a 2-year term to AGM 2025
 - Matt McGovern (IRL) – for President elected for a 2-year term to AGM 2025
 - Jim Colley (AUS) – for vice president of the 49er Class for a 2-year term to AGM 2025
6. Special Resolutions
 - 6.1. SR1 – Passed – 3 votes against. Proposed by Uban, second by Billy. Harness positive buoyancy
 - 6.2. SR2 – Passed – Unanimous Vote. Proposed by Jacob, seconded by Billy, flags at pan ams and Asian Games
 - 6.3. SR3 – Passed – Unanimous Vote, Proposed by Schulties, seconded by Colley, words around optional equipment updated
 - 6.4. SR4 – Passed – Unanimous Vote, proposed by Jakob, seconded by Pawel, add safeguarding to Class Constitution.
 - 6.5. SR5 – Defeated – Unanimous vote, prosed by Coley, seconded by Schulties, no change to vang rule



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- 6.6. SR6 – Passed – Unanimous vote – proposed by John Clinton, seconded by Billy – move location of corrector weight.
 - 6.7. SR7 – Defeated – unanimous vote – proposed by Schulties, seconded by Billy, - no change to flags on mainsails
 - 6.8. Class Policy 1 – passed to created working party – unanimous vote, proposed by Schulties, seconded by Billy. Jakob and Richard Schulties volunteer for WP, will seek additional members.
7. The 27th meeting of the International 49er Class World Council will be held during the 2024 European Championship at 18:00 pm the day before measurement in La Grande Motte.
 8. General Discussion and Any Other Business (no decisions can be made under this heading)
 - Class to investigate mandating electronic systems on all boats, like a Vakaros system, for use post Paris 2024. Idea is to aid starting options, umpiring, gps tracking, and potentially data sharing.
 - o Class to check World Sailing and IOC attitude toward such additions
 - One twisted castellation ring was reported
 - Class to add a rule about allowed masts to be clearcoated at next opportunity

Matt McGovern
President

International 49er Class Association

Dated: November 4, 2023

In Attendance:

Matt McGovern
John Clinton
Sean Waddilove (IRL)
Kenji (JPN)
Joao Bulina (POR)
Joze Manuel Ruiz (ESP)
Jakob Jensen (DEN)
Ben Rhodes
Billy Vennis-Ozane (GBR)
Jim Colley (AUS)
Pawel Kolodzinski (POL)
Andrea Schulties (MLT)

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Ivan Bulaja (AUT)
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Rob Taylor
Lenard Desilva (BER)
Gar Vanmaerk (BEL)
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