

MAISA Executive Committee Conference Call

Tuesday September 22, 2015 – 12PM

Roll Call

Mike Callahan, Sherri Campbell, Dan Winters, Ian Burman (NA), Charles Higgins (ODU), Bill Ward (SMC), Adam Werblow (SMC), Connor Blouin (SMC), Michael Collins (KP), Morgan Wilson (NYM), Sam Patterson (UVA), Catie Hopkins (UPN), Max Plarr (CNU), Jack Swikart (UPN), Cody Murphy (SBU), Clifton Kartner (QU),

Additions to the Agenda

1. Moving KP Dinghy Open
2. No Show for Queens at MAISA Laser Qualifier

Treasurers Report

Sherri Campbell delivered the Treasurers Report. As of 9/22/15 23 teams have paid their dues. No team will be able to compete if they have not paid their bill by October 27

Old Business

1. Review of Singlehanded Draft and Procedures (Ian and Charles) -
Commissioner Callahan led a discussion about the language in the Berth Allocation description for the Carl Van Duyne. There was some confusion over exactly how berths should be distributed. After considerable discussion the following language was adopted concerning the Berth allocation to the Carl Van Duyne
For the Laser South and North Events on Weekend 2
 - 1.The Top 9 teams in the scheduling order will receive automatic berths on the schedule for the Laser South or Laser North, depending on their regions.
 2. The top 5 Sailors from the previous years Carl Van Duyne regatta will receive an automatic berth to their respective regional qualifiers.
 3. Remaining berths in the regatta shall be filled through the draft, with a maximum of three berths per team given during the draft.
 4. Teams will be allowed to add additional berths from the alternate list. However no team will be allowed more than 5 total berths.
2. MAISA All-Academic Team Review
Commissioner Callahan noted the success of the MAISA All Academic Team with 106 Sailors being named to the squad. Commissioner Callahan noted that the ICSA All Academic Team has somewhat lesser requirements and a discussion ensued about whether the MAISA criteria should look more like the ICSA. A motion was m/s/c to alter the MAISA criteria to the following:

To become a member of the MAISA All-Academic team a sailor shall have a min GPA of 3.3 (GPA for the year of competition – not cumulative) and have competed in (or been an extra) at least 7 total College Sailing regattas.

3. Review of MAISA Policies and Procedures for MAISA Championship Regattas and Qualifiers
Commissioner Callahan asked that everyone refer to the MAISA Information Bulletin to inform themselves on MAISA Policies and Procedures in the event a regatta isn't sailed.
4. Rules concerning MAISA teams at NEISA in conference events
A lengthy discussion occurred regarding MAISA teams entering NEISA in conference events. There was concern expressed about the fairness of some teams adding into NEISA events. After considerable discussion a motion was m/s/c to adopt the following rule
MAISA Teams may compete in no more than 2 NEISA In-Conference events each semester.
5. Is the Luce Trophy in the best location on the Schedule?
There was some discussion about whether teams that have to sail the Luce have enough time to withdraw from other events on that weekend. No decision was made on how to handle this in the future.
6. Is the MAISA Fall Women's in the best location on the Schedule?
Commissioner Callahan noted that there is a conflict for some teams who want to sail a female sailor at both the MAISA Match Race and MAISA Women's. The majority of the participants didn't see this as an issue.

New Business

1. The following teams had their no show penalties dropped
Kings Point – Cornell/ Boehringer
Stevens - Cornell/ Boehringer
CNU - Faye Bennet
Queens - MAISA Laser Qualifier
2. What are the duties and expectations for the MAISA/ICSA Rep at Regattas
Commissioner Callahan led a discussion about the ambiguities of the ICSA/ MAISA rep. He offered to work with NEISA to come up with some criteria to better define the role.
3. First look at the 2016 schedule –
The group briefly discussed some issues with the upcoming schedule. Kings Point would like to move the KP Dinghy Open. Cornell is scheduled to host two events on the same weekend and a host rotation is needed for the Club Championships.
4. Location for the MAISA Meeting
Commissioner Callahan mentioned that he would like to vote at our next call on a hosting site for the MAISA Annual Meeting and Live Draft Scheduled to take place in December.

5. Would MAISA like a performance ranking to determine schedule rankings?
Some sailors and coaches have mentioned the possibility of a Performance Ranking to determine schedule order. Commissioner Callahan mentioned that Jack Swikart has been working on a ranking and that anyone interested in helping him should contact him.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:15PM

The next MAISA Executive Committee Conference Call is schedule for October 20 @ 12PM.