



國際龍舟聯合會

INTERNATIONAL DRAGON BOAT FEDERATION

Minutes of the 13th Meeting of the IDBF Members Congress held in Waterside Marriott Hotel, Tampa, Florida, USA Prague, from 0900 to 1400 hours on the 8th August 2011.

Present: 出席人員

IDBF Executive & Council	國際龍舟聯合會執行委員會與理事會		
Elected Officers:			
President (Congress Chair) (代表大會主持人)	Zhang Faqiang 張發強	China, PR 中國	
Executive President (Council Chair) (理事會主持人)	Mike Haslam 麥克·哈森來姆	Great Britain 英國	
Snr Vice President 首席副主席	Mason Hung 洪忠興	Hong Kong, 中國香港	
2 nd Vice President. 第二副主席	Benjamin Ramos 本杰明·拉莫斯	Philippines 菲律賓	
3 rd Vice President. 第三副主席	Bob Morro 鮑勃·莫羅	USA 美國	
4 th Vice President. 第四副主席	Claudio Schermi 克勞迪奧·舍爾米	Italy 意大利	
Secretary General 秘書長	Hu Jianguo 胡建國	China PR 中國	
Treasurer 司庫	David A. Cogswell 戴維·考格斯維爾	Great Britain 英國	
Commissions:	小組委員會成員		
Competition & Technical 競賽和技术委员会	Mike Thomas 麥克·托馬斯	Chairman (Great Britain) (英國)	
	Chung Hon Kun	Vice- Chair (Macau)	
Medical & Sports Science 醫務委员会	Prof Bob McNamara 鮑博·麥克納馬拉	Chairman (USA) (美國)	
Marketing & Media 市場和推广委员会	Sharifa Khan 簡慧兒·韓	Chairwoman (Canada) (加拿大)	
	Not Present - Apology received		
Protocol, Culture & Heritage 醫務委员会	Xu Jusheng	Chairman (China PR) (中國)	
	Not Present - Apology received		
Continental & Regional Representatives	洲際與地區代表		
Asia (ADBFB) President 亞洲 (亞龍聯會) 主席	Madam Xiao Min	China PR 中國	
Europe (EDBF) 歐洲 (歐龍聯會)	Alan van Caubergh EDBF Chairman 阿蘭·范·考格伯	The Netherlands 荷蘭	
North America 北美洲	Ginny O'Hare	United States 美國	
Oceania (ODBF) 主席	Kel Watt	Australia 澳大利亞	
Absence with Apology	因故缺席		
EDBF Vice Chairman	Victor Kisselev	Russia 俄羅斯	
PC&H Commission	Adrian Lee 安德努·李	Canada 加拿大	
Southern Africa Rep 南非代表	Pam Newby 帕姆·紐伯	South Africa 南非	

IDBF Members In Attendance (24)		出席的国际龙联会员	
IDBF Member Country/Territory		Name of Voting Delegate	Represented By
Australia	澳大利亚	Kel Watt	3 x Delegates 代表
Brazil		Ricardo Faro	1 Delegate 委托
Canada	加拿大	Matt Smith	3 x Delegates 代表
China, PR	中国	Zou Jijun	3 x Delegates 代表
Germany	德国	Uwe Granzin	3 x Delegates 代表
Great Britain	英国	Lisa Hayes	3 x Delegates 代表
Hong Kong SAR, China	香港	Dr Raymond Ma	3 x Delegates 代表
Hungary	匈牙利	Péter Járosi	2 x Delegates 代表
Ireland		Julie Doyle	1 Delegates 代表
Italy	意大利	Dr Antonio de Lucia	2 x Delegates 代表
Japan	日本	Makoto Shobu	2 x Delegates 代表
Korea	韩国	Lee Sung Soo	1 Delegate 代表
Macau, China	中国澳门	Chung Hon Kun	2 x Delegates 代表
Netherlands	荷兰	Bart Boneschanser	2 x Delegates 代表
Philippines	菲律宾	Marcia Cristobal	2 x Delegates 代表
Poland	波兰	Slawek Borucki	1 Delegate 委托
Puerto Rico			1 Delegate 代表
Russia	俄罗斯	Victor Kisselev	2 x Delegates 代表
Singapore		John Kreamer	2 x Delegates 代表
South Africa	南非	Abdul Edross	2 x Delegates 代表
Switzerland	瑞士	Bridget Walter	2 x Delegates 代表
Trinidad & Tobago		Keith Dalip	2 x Delegates 代表
Uganda		Robert Kanuso	1 Delegate
Ukraine	乌克兰	Natalia	2 x Delegates 代表
United States	美国	Ginny O'Hare	3 x Delegates 代表
Apologies (2)			
Czech Republic			
Switzerland	瑞士		



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1. Opening of the Congress and the President's address.
2. Identification of the delegates and confirmation of their authority. (See attached at **Enclosure 1** extracts from the IDBF Statutes & Byelaws).
3. Appointment of scrutineers for the period of the Congress.
4. The Executive President's Report .
5. Reports from the Chair Holders of the Specialist Commissions.
6. Accounts, Financial Report and Auditor's Report.
7. Approval of the accounts for the period ending 31 December 2010
8. Determination of the Annual Subscription.
9. Budget for the next period – 2012/2013.
10. World Championship Regattas.
 1. Update Hong Kong - 2012 (Club Crew Championships)
 2. Update Tehran - 2013 (World Nations Dragon Boat Championships)
 3. Bids for 2014 and 2015 made in accordance with Bye-Law 13.
 - Formal Bid received from Italy - 2014 CCWC (Clubs)
 - Canada, Hungary - 2015 WDBRC (Nations)
11. Place and Date of the next Congress.
12. Appointment of a Full Member to be responsible for auditing the accounts.
13. Reports on applications for membership - see nominations at **Enclosure 2**.
14. Appeals against decisions taken by the Council in accordance with the provision of Art 43.6 or by the Executive in accordance with Art 44.7.

None received.
15. Individual proposals from members - None received
16. Alterations to the Statutes; Competition Regulations & Rules of Racing.

Proposals from the Members and IDBF Council - see **Enclosure 3**
17. Elections – Executive President; Secretary-General, Treasurer and Commissions Chair Persons. (4)

Nominations received- Executive President - Mike Haslam (Great Britain)
Secretary-General - Hu Jianguo (China)
Treasurer - Dave Cogswell (Great Britain)
- Alan Van- Cauberg (Holland)
- Loretta Lewis (Australia)

Commissions Chair Holders
C&TC - Mike Thomas (Great Britain)
M&SM - Bob McNamara (USA)
M&M - Angelina Ong (Singapore)
P&HC – None received
18. Any Other Business and Closing Address.



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MINUTES OF THE 13th MEMBER'S CONGRESS – TAMPA 2011

代表大会开幕和主席致辞

Item.1. OPENING OF CONGRESS & PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS - ZHANG Faqiang,

1.1. The Executive President apprised the members on the conduct of the Congress and requested Mr Zhang Faqiang, the IDBF President, in his capacity as Chairman and Leader of Congress, to formally open the 12th IDBF Congress.

1.2 The IDBF President Zhang Faqiang warmly welcomed all the Member's delegates to the 12th IDBF Members Congress and advised the Delegates that he had decided not to run for re-election and was therefore chairing his last Congress. President Zhang addressed the Congress as follows:-

1. He first spoke about the blossoming development of dragon boat in Asia and informed the Congress that the Chinese government, in showing its respect for the Dragon Boat Festival (or Tuen Ng or Double Fifth Festival) had introduced a new annual public holiday to celebrate Tuen Ng and that dragon boating as a popular sport event was widely practiced during the festival.

2. Mr Zhang reported on a meeting held with Mr. Hein Verbruggen, the GAISF President in Beijing on August 7th 2009, with regard to the IDBF and ICF relationship and the potential situation the IDBF faced. He pointed out that the IDBF was now at a 'cross-road' of decisions: The President felt that as a GAISF Member, the IDBF should try to seek good relationships with other GAISF Members, strengthen our position within the Sport whilst putting aside differences to seek common ground.

3. Mr Zhang in addressing the Congress recognized the EP's contribution to the sport's development and suggested that to make the IDBF a more international and professional body, we should be focusing more on improving our regulations and rules. In this IDBF could be assured of support from the Chinese Olympic Committee and the other organizations to through unity of purpose and cooperation.

4. In closing his address the President concluded that the four (4) main tasks for the IDBF going forward were to popularize dragon boat sport; to promote the dragon boat spirit; to carry forward dragon boat culture and to develop the dragon boat industry.

代表身份的证明和确认

Item. 2. IDENTIFICATION OF DELEGATES AND CONFIRMATION OF AUTHORITY.

2.1 The Secretary General Hu Jianguo made the roll call, and confirmed that Delegates from 31 countries and territories with voting rights were present in accordance with the procedures laid down in the IDBF Statutes and Bye-Laws. 5 countries and regions were absent, and the quorum of the congress was formed. The meeting was quorate.

2.1. 国际龙联执行主席麦克·哈森来姆先生进行点名，并根据国际龙联章程以及法规的规定程序确认了列席且将参加投票的31个国家与地区的代表。

代表大会期间监票人的指定

Item. 3. APPOINTMENT OF SCRUTINEERS FOR THE CONGRESS.

3.2 Representatives from Australia and Switzerland were appointed by the floor, as Scrutineers for the Congress.

Official IDBF Languages. Bye-Law 14 (BI10) 国龙联合会官方语言 法规 14

14.1 (10.1) The Official Languages of the IDBF, as laid down in Article 8 of the IDBF Statutes are English and Chinese Mandarin. In the event that there is a discrepancy between the two in any IDBF documents, the English version shall take preference. **14.1 (10, 1)** 根据国际龙联章程第 8 条, 国龙联合会的官方语言为英语和中文普通话两种。如国际龙联文件中中英文版本出现不符, 以英文文本为准

执行主席报告 - 麦克·哈森来姆先生

Item. 4. EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Mike HASLAM.

4.1 The report of the Executive President (EP), for the two-year period, 2008 –2009, since the 11th Congress, is shown at Enclosure 1 to these Congress Minutes.

4.1. 执行主席就第 11 届代表大会以后 (2008-2009) 两年间的工作进行了全面报告, 见代表大会纪要附件 1。

4.2 The Executive President reported to the Congress on the development of the Sport during the last 2 years, which had been ones of expansion and consolidation for the IDBF.

1. IDBF Membership had grown with seven (7) new Members for acceptance by the Congress. Both the Club Crew Worlds and the World Nations Championships had seen increases in entries and competitor numbers, rising to over 3000 at each Championship.

2. The number of IDBF Boat & Paddle manufacturers, as well as IDBF Affiliated Festivals and Event Organisers, had also increased during the period but on the downside the World Corporate & Community Championships had not made the expected impact in the Dragon Boat Festival market.

3. The EP paid tribute to Mr Zhang Faqiang, retiring after 8 years as the President during which time the IDBF had gained GAISF Membership, a success which was in no small way due to the personal efforts of Mr Zhang and the Chinese Olympic Committee, in winning friends and influencing GAISF Members on behalf of the IDBF.

4. The EP propose a formal vote of gratitude to Mr Zhang Faqiang, for his hard work on behalf of the IDBF and wished him well in the future. The EP advised the Congress that also retiring was IDBF Vice President, Benjamin Ramos (the Philippines) after many years of service to the sport. The EP also thanked Benjamin for his past work for the sport.

5. The EP reported that despite IDBF Membership of GAISF – now SportAccord, some IDBF Members were reporting that their efforts to gain recognition as Governing Bodies for Dragon Boating was being opposed by Canoe Federations claiming to be responsible for the Sport by virtue of their own Membership of the International Canoe Federation. The EP advised the Congress that IDBF Members should make it clear to their National Sports Authorities that the GAISF SportAccord) an IOC recognised organisation, had ruled that Dragon Boating and Canoeing are two different sports and that the IDBF is the SportAccord Member specifically for Dragon Boating.

4.4 The Congress accepted the full report of the Executive President as shown at Enclosure 1 to these Congress Minutes. After discussion on the President's Address and the report of the Executive President, the Congress passed the resolution shown **at Annex A, concerning the Governance of the Sport**, under the jurisdiction of the IDB

专门委员会主席和大洲及地区代表报告

Item.5. REPORTS FROM THE CHAIR HOLDERS OF THE SPECIALIST COMMISSIONS

5.1 Competition & Technical Commission - Mike Thomas, Chair C&TC. Mike Thomas gave a general report on the work of the C&TC and a verbal report to the Congress on the organizing of the 2009 World Championship. More than 3000 athletes in 134 crews, from 24 Countries and Territories would compete which is a historical high for a Nations Championship. He also drew Congress's attention to the one revision to the IDBF Competition Regulations, concerning wrist straps, notified with the Congress Agenda.

5.2 Medical & Sports Science Commission – Prof Bob McNamara, Chair M&SCC. Bob McNamara gave a verbal report to the Congress that the IDBF Anti-Doping Policy and Rules had been accepted and approved by the World Anti-Doping Agency. (WADA). All IDBF Members had been e-mailed a copy of the policy and should act in accordance with it.

5.3 Marketing & Media Commission- Henning Weikhorst M&MC. Henning Weikhorst updated the Congress on the development of the IDBF websites and Database.

A new web site specifically with World Championships information had been set up at www.idbfworldchamps.com. The main website at www.idbf.org, was under reconstruction and all Members would be offered a free website under the IDBF domain name. He also reported on the publication of the IDBF Newsletter 'Dragon Boat International (DBI) during the previous twelve months and the production of promotional videos for the IDBF.

5.4 Protocol, Culture & Heritage – Secretary-Gen Hu, on behalf of Mr. Xu Jusheng, informed the Congress that the PC&HC was now researching the culture and heritage of dragon boating during different periods in Chinese history, with the intention of publishing a specialist document for presentation to the IDBF Council. The work was estimated to be finished within the next year.

财务和审计报告

Item. 6. FINANCIAL REPORT AND AUDITOR'S REPORT – David COGSWELL.

6.1 The Financial Report of the IDBF Treasurer, Mr. David Cogswell, is shown at Enclosure 2. The Statement of Accounts and Income and Expenditure Report for the years ending 31 Dec 2007 and 2008 respectively, were made available to the Delegates.

6.1 国际龙联司库戴维德·考格斯维尔的财务报告公示于纪要附件 2 中。截止 2007 年与 2008 年 12 月 31 日的经费收入与支出账目的陈述, 已在此会议上向整个代表大会做出了报告。

6.2 The Treasurer reported that over the two years (2005/2006) there was a deficit of USD 520.38. This was due to the expenditure associated with applying for GAISF Membership. Otherwise the income and expenditure figures were very similar to those recorded in 2005.

6.3 Audit Report. The Treasurer informed the Congress that the Accounts had been audited by Frans Bijl and Gert de Vos of the NDBF(Netherlands Dragon Boat Federation) who had stated that they had examined the balance sheets of the IDBF and were of the opinion that the financials reports had been drafted with great neatness, care and that the bookkeeping was proper and well managed. However the auditors were not able to fully indentify all breakdowns of the figures mentioned in the financial report and unfortunately there had not been an opportunity before the Congress, to sit down with them to cover the points that needed clarification.

6.4 Accordingly the audit committee had now drafted a list with all the points that need clarification and submitted it to the Treasurer. Once the Treasurer has clarified the points raised, the auditors will report back to the IDBF Executive Committee with a written report.

批准帐目

Item. 7. APPROVAL OF THE ACCOUNTS – 2007/2008

7.1 The Executive President proposed to the Congress, that given the above auditors report that a vote to approve the accounts for the previous periods could not be taken, although the Treasurer's Report could be accepted by the Congress. The Congress accepted the Treasurer's Report and agreed that the next meeting of the IDBF Executive & Council, could accept and approve the Auditors Report on behalf of the Congress

决定年度会费问题

Item. 8. DETERMINATION OF THE ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION – 2010/2011

8.1 The Treasurer spoke to the Congress concerning the revise the Membership Fees system which had been in operation for the first time during the 2008/2009 financial period. and had proved successful.

国际龙联下一阶段财务预算--2009/2010

Item. 9. IDBF BUDGET FOR THE NEXT ACCOUNTING PERIOD – 2009/2010

9.1 The Treasurer updated the Congress on the IDBF budget situation for 2009 and the forecast Budget for 2010. Whilst both the income and expenditure forecasts showed an anticipated decrease, a surplus as a whole, was expected to be carried forward to the 2011 Financial Year. The Congress accepted the Budget forecasts.

世界锦标赛和国际比赛

Item. 10. WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP REGATTAS – 2010-2013.

10.1 7th Club Crew World Championship (CCWC) – 2010, Macau SAR, China.

Ms Leonor Remédios, Macau Sport Development Board Division of Sport for All and Special Projects, reported on the preparation work being made for the 2010 championships, scheduled to take place on South Lake Dragon Boat Regatta Course from July 25th to 2nd August 2nd, 2010. Congress Delegates were also given copies of promotional material and information on the organization of the Championship.

10.2 10th World Dragon Boat Racing Championship (WDBRC) - 2011, Tampa, USA

Mr. Kevin Burns, Chairman of the 10th World Championships Organizing Committee updated the Congress on the preparations being made for the WDBRC. He reported that the Organising Committee had been formed, university style and hotel accommodation arranged and that talks were being held with the City authorities about the racing course, including the control tower site and facilities, an 8 lane course on the ship canal in down town Tampa, next to the Tampa Convention Centre. The date was still to be confirmed.

On behalf of the 3 million Tampa citizens, Mr Burns welcomed all members to participate. Delegates were also given copies of promotional material and information on the organization of the Championship

10.3 8th Club Crew World Championship (CCWC) – 2012, Hong Kong SAR, China.

There was one bid before the Congress in respect of the 2008 CCWC from the Hong Kong China Dragon Boat Association, which was supported by the Hong Kong Tourist Board.

Dr. Raymond Ma, Chairman of the Hong Kong Dragon Boat Association made the bidding report to the Congress for the 2012 Club Crew World Championships. The proposed venue was the Victoria Harbour course where the modern sport and the IDBF began. The theme of the CCWC would be to race in a CCWC on this historic site and experience racing as it was when the modern sport was born.

Dr Ma expressed his sincere expectation of hosting a top IDBF competition at the 25th anniversary of the Hong Kong International Races. Delegates were given copies of promotional material and information on the organization of the Championship.

10.4 After questions from the floor and a discussion on the suitability of the Victoria Harbour Course for staging World Championship's racing the Congress awarded the hosting rights to stage the 8th IDBF Club Crew World Dragon Championships, to Hong Kong, China by a majority vote.

10.5 11th World Dragon Boat Racing Championship (WDBRC) – 2013, Tehran, Iran.

There was one bid before the Congress in respect of the 2013 WDBRC, for Tehran, Iran, Florida, from the Iranian Dragon Boat Association (IrDBA) part of the Iran Canoe, Water Ski & Sailing Federation. Mr. Ahmad Donyamali, President of the Iran Federation presented the bidding report for hosting the 2013 World Championship in the Iranian Capital.

10.6 Mr Donyamali informed the Congress about the international sports events and dragon boat competitions already held in Teheran Sports Complex where the Championship would be held if the Iran bid was approved. He also answered questions separately about female paddlers, life and security in Iran and visa problems that the presented members concerned.

10.7 After questions from the floor and a discussion on various issues associated with competing in Iran, the Congress approved in principle the bid application and awarded the hosting rights to stage the 11th IDBF World Dragon Boat Racing Championships, to Tehran, Iran by a majority vote.

10.8 The vote for the bid was subject to the IrDBA providing supporting government documents for the Championships, including financial support, plus hosting details and assurances over the treatment of females attending the Championships and the security of all those attending the event.

10.9 The Congress also requested that Iran hold some smaller dragon boat events in the following 4 years to test the capabilities of hosting competitions and the issues surrounding female athletes competing.

下届代表大会地点和日期

Item.11. PLACE AND DATE OF THE NEXT CONGRESS - 2011.

11.1 The Executive President advised the Congress that, in accordance with Article 23 of the IDBF Statutes, the next IDBF Congress would be held in 2011 at the venue of the WDBRC, in Tampa, Florida, USA. The date of the 13th Member's Congress would be announced once the dates for the 11th World Championships had been agreed.

任命一名正式会员担任账目审计

Item.12. APPOINTMENT OF A FULL MEMBER TO AUDIT THE ACCOUNTS.

12.1 The Executive President asked for an IDBF Full Member to undertake the duties of Auditor for the period 2009 - 2010. The Australian Dragon Boat Federation (AusDBF) were nominated for the position of Auditor and accepted.. The appointment was agreed by the Congress.

国际龙联会员资格申请

Item.13. APPLICATIONS FOR IDBF MEMBERSHIP.

13.1 The Executive President referred the Congress to Enclosure 3, of the Congress Agenda, which listed the new Basic Member (07) applications approved by the Council for ratification by the Congress. Also on the list were 15 Basic Members recommended by the Council for Full IDBF Membership.

13.4 The EP asked the Congress to accept the Council's recommendations for IDBF Membership.

13.5 The Congress ratified the Council nominations nem con, for Basic and Full IDBF Membership, as shown at Enclosure 3 to these Congress Minutes.

反对国际龙联理事会决议的申诉

Item. 14. APPEALS AGAINST THE DECISIONS OF THE IDBF COUNCIL.

14.1 The Executive President informed the Congress that no Appeals against decisions of either the Executive Committee or the Council had been received.

来自国际龙联会员的个别提案

15. INDIVIDUAL PROPOSALS FROM THE MEMBERS.

15.1 The Executive President informed the Congress that no proposals had been received from the IDBF Members' for the consideration of the Congress

章程、细规、竞赛规程和规则的修改

Item.16. ALTERATIONS TO THE IDBF BYE-LAWS & COMPETITION REGULATIONS.

16.1 The Executive President referred the Congress to Enclosure 4, of the Congress Agenda, which listed the amendments to the IDBF Bye Laws and Competition Regulations made by the Council for the Congress to note. To take effect from the day following the Congress.

Appeals against decisions of either the Executive Committee or the Council can be made under the IDBF Statutes and should be addressed to the IDBF Secretary-General, for consideration at the next meeting of the IDBF Council.

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Item.17.

ELECTIONS

17.1 The Executive President took the Chair during the election process for the President and Vice-Presidents’.

17.2 IDBF President. There was one nomination for the position of IDBF President. This was from the Chinese Dragon Boat Association (CDDA) proposing the ADBF President, Madam Xiao Min.

17.3 The IDBF President Zhang Faqiang introduced the candidate Madam Xiao Min, who was the assistant for the Chinese Minister of State General Administration of Sports and a Vice-President of the Chinese Olympic Committee (COC). Mr Zhang stated that with such excellent ability and rich experience, Madam Xiao Min could lead the IDBF and grow even stronger should she be elected.

17.4 The Congress unanimously elected Madam Xiao Min, from PR China to be the IDBF President for a term of 4 years until the 2013 Congress.

17.5 President Xiao Min in her speech of thanks to the Congress expressed her gratitude for the trust and support given to her by the Delegates. She recognized the contributions of Mr. Zhang Faqiang in past 8 years in office, and said she would enhance the dragon boat sport to a new levels in a joint effort with the IDBF members.

17.3 IDBF 1st (Senior) Vice-President. There were four (4) nominations from the IDBF Members for the four (4) positions of IDBF Vice President. The first three (3) candidates listed were being nominated for a further term of office. The fourth person, Mr Donyamali was being nominated for the first time was the President of Iran Canoe, Water Ski & Sailing Federation and had also served as a deputy mayor of Teheran, in charge of municipal construction. He wished to promote dragon boat sport in Iran and neighbouring countries.

17.4 The candidates for election as IDBF Vice-Presidents’ were as follows:-

Mr Mason HUNG - nominated by th Hong Kong Dragon Boat Association (HKDBA),

Mr Bob Morro MORRO – nominated by the United States Dragon Boat Federation (USDBF)

Mr Claudio SCHERMI – nominated by the Italian Dragon Boat Federation (FIDB)

Mr Ahmad DONYAMALI – nominated by the Iran Water Sports Federations’ (ICRWKF)

17.5 The Congress, by a show of hands elected the four candidates as Vice Presidents’, for a term of 4 years until the 2011 Congress. In accordance with the IDBF Bye-Laws on seniority by length of service as a Vice President, the elected Vice- Presidents’ were allocated to their offices as follows:-

Mr Mason HUNG	-	1 st (Senior) Vice-President
Mr Bob Morro MORRO	-	2 nd Vice-President
Mr Claudio SCHERMI	-	3 rd Vice-President
Mr Ahmad DONYAMALI	-	4 th Vice President

其他事宜和闭幕

Item 18. ANY OTHER BUSINESS AND CLOSING ADDRESS.

18.1 1st Commonwealth Club Crew Dragon Boat Championships. Mr. Lim Chein Aun informed the Congress of the preparation work being made for the 1st Commonwealth Dragon Boat Championships in Penang, Malaysia in 2010, which would be held in conjunction with the Annual Penang International Races. Relevant members agreed to encourage their crews to participate.

18.2 Mr. Sylvain MUNIER and Mr Richard SAWHNEY from Dragon Boat & Kayak Sans Frontier (France) informed the Congress of the development and promotion of dragon boating in Senegal, through environmental projects started by Kayak Sans Frontier. Delegates were also shown promotional material and given information on the KSF environmental projects.

18.3 According to Article 40, IDBF Statues, the EP on behalf of the council, suggested Mr. Zhang Faqiang and Mr. Benjamin Ramos be the Honorary President and Honorary Vice-President respectively. The suggestion was accepted, and President Xiao Min award certificates for them.

18.4 Reports from the Continental & Regional Federations. Due to time constraints the adhoc reports from the Continental and the Regional representatives were not given to the Congress on this occasion.

18.4 大洲及地区代表报告 由于时间有限和代表大会开幕的延迟, 大洲与地区代表没有在本次代表大会上作报告。

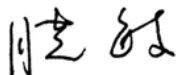
18.5 There being no further business notified under Article 28 of the IDBF Statutes, the IDBF President as Chairman of the Congress, thanked those present for their attention to the matters on the Agenda and for their support of the IDBF. The Chairman formally closed the 12th Congress at 1400 hours.

18.1. 无其他事宜, 根据国际龙联章程第 28 条款, 国际龙联主席对代表能出席会议及他们对国际龙联的支持表示感谢。第十届代表大会于 1400 正式闭幕。

Minutes Prepared by Mike Haslam and Xin Yi (Rex).

此会议记录由麦克·哈森来姆与钦恽准备。

Signed




**Madam XIAO MIN
President**

主席签字 张发强

Date:日期 12 Feb 12

Signed



**Mike HASLAM
Executive President**

执行主席签字 麦克·哈森来姆

Date: 日期 12 Feb 12

Attached: 附件 Enclosure 1 - Executive President's Report. 附件 1: 一执行主席报告
Enclosure 2 - Treasurer's Report. 附件 2: 一司库报告
Enclosure 3 – Nominations for Membership
Enclosure 4 – Amendments to the IDBF Bye-Laws and
Competition Regulations.

Enclosure 1 to the 13th IDBF Congress Minutes

第九届国际龙联代表大会会议纪要附件一

EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT'S REPORT TO THE 13TH IDBF CONGRESS 2011

2011 年第十届国际龙联代表大会执行主席报告

The Executive President's Report to the 13th IDBF Congress given at the Tampa Convention Centre, Tampa, Florida, USA on Monday 03rd August 2011.

The last two years have been ones of expansion and consolidation for the IDBF and our sport. Expansion in that our Membership continues to grow with seven provisional members now before the Congress for ratification, Both our Club Crew World Championships and World Dragon Boat Racing Championships too, show record entries and a wider range of competition classes, with competitor numbers steadily rising to over 3000 participants in both 2008 (Penang Club Crews) and 2009 (Prague Worlds).

Consolidation with the successfully introduction of the IDBF Coaches Awards Scheme and the continuing development of our Race Officials Training & Assessment Scheme. The number of IDBF Affiliate Festivals and Event Organisers around the world has steadily increased to over 25, as has the number of IDBF Boat Manufacturers and Paddle Makers.

Life is not all ups but also downs and on the down side I have to say that our World Corporate & Community Championships have not made the impact we would have hoped for in the general Dragon Boat Festival market. The 3rd Wcorcom held in Miami this year, whilst enjoyed by all the crews that took part was a small success, rather than a large one and the future of this particular Championship is now under review.

At this Congress our President Mr Zhang FAQIANG, from China, who retires after eight years in the post. A period in which we were engaged in the long and hard road of gaining membership of the General Association of International Sports Federations – now known as SportAccord.

Our eventual success in gaining SportAccord Membership was in no small way due to the personal efforts of our President and the Chinese Olympic Committee in winning friends and influencing the Members of Sportaccord on behalf of the IDBF.

I would like to propose a formal vote of gratitude to our retiring President from the sport, for his hard work on our behalf and to wish him well in the future. I also hope that he will not forget the many friends he has in Dragon Boating.

Also retiring as a Vice President of the IDBF after many years of service to our sport is Benjamin Ramos from The Philippines and to him to go our thanks for his past work for the sport and our best wishes for the future.

Despite our Membership of SportAccord, the IDBF Council are now receiving reports from some of our Members that their efforts to gain recognition as Governing Bodies for Dragon Boat Sport in their own Countries or Territories, are being opposed by Canoe Federations claiming to be responsible for Dragon Boating by virtue of their own Membership of the International Canoe Federation, because the ICF is an IOC recognised International Federation.

A recent letter from the IOC to the ICF concerning their status as an Olympic Federation, has been quoted by Canoe Federations as the justification for making their claims over the governance of Dragon Boat Sport.

IOC letters, in general, do not refer to the governance and conduct of a sport at world championships level but to those Olympic Federations whose disciplines of sport are included in the Olympic Games.

This does not include Dragon Boat Racing, at this point in time, so for a Canoe Federation to claim that by virtue of the Olympic Federation status of the ICF, it already has the right to govern Dragon Boating at National or Territorial level is not justified.

I would advise the Congress, therefore, that in the Council's view the letters from the IOC are not in respect of non-Olympic Sports such as Dragon Boating and that the process of recognition by the IOC is open to the IDBF.

In this respect the Council have agreed that any application by the IDBF for IOC recognition will be conducted through the offices of the IDBF President and Senior Vice-President.

IDBF Members should make it clear to their National Sports Authorities that the GAISF – an IOC recognised organisation, has ruled that Dragon Boating and Canoeing are two different sports and that the IDBF is the SportAccord (GAISF) Member specifically for Dragon Boating.

National Sports Authorities should also be advised that the Olympic Council for Asia has recognised the Asian Dragon Boat Federation as having responsibility for Dragon Boat Sport in Asia and that Dragon Boating organised by the ADBF and conducted under IDBF Rules of Racing, will be included in the 2010 Asian Games.

The IDBF Council has stated that as a International Federation we welcome any organisation that wishes to take part in our sport provided that they recognise the status and standing of the IDBF as a GAISF Member.

In closing my report I would put before you from the IDBF Council a proposed resolution for the Congress concerning the purpose of the Federation, its relationships and those of our Members at national and international level and our vision for the IDBF as an organisation.

I commend the resolution to you and move that the Congress adopt it.

Thank you.



Mike HASLAM,
Executive President

麦克·哈森来姆
国际龙联执行主席

Enclosure 2 to the 13th IDBF Congress Minutes

第十届国际龙联代表大会会议纪要附件二

国际龙联司库报告 2009 和 2010 年财务报告

IDBF TREASURERS REPORT FOR FINANCIAL YEARS 2009 AND 2010

2009 was the first year that the revised Membership Scheme and the introduction of Paddlers Registration Fees coincided with a World Championships. This proved to be a big improvement to our finances in 2009 which continued in 2010.

However the income from IDBF Members is well below what it should be as many Members have not renewed their Memberships in either 2009 or 2010. Our Auditor is recommending that the uncollected Membership Fees for 2008 and 2009 which amount to \$ 6687.50 and \$ 5687.50 respectively be written-off.

In 2010 the IDBF changed to accrual accounting and all Membership Fees have been included, the uncollected Fees as Debtors. Also the income derived from our Boat and Paddle Licensing and Production Schemes is below anticipation but has been addresses somewhat by the introduction of the IDBF Partners Scheme where manufacturers can opt in as an IDBF Partner and opt out of the payment of Production Fees.

The result of these changes in accounting has resulted in a net surplus of \$ 6,304.20 for the year ending 31st December 2010..

Our increase in income during 2009 gave us the security to carry out a vast amount of development work in 2010 with emerging Dragon Boat Federations particularly in Africa where the Dragon Boat Federation of Africa Steering Committee was set up and financed. Also many other countries were visited by the IDBF to assist them to develop Dragon Boating in their countries.

The introduction of the IDBF Patrons Scheme to help finance the transportation of boats to emerging Dragon Boat Associations, and with the assistance of our Boat Manufacturers who have provided Boats in lieu of Production Fees, we have been able to place boats with these emerging Dragon Boat countries.

With the extra development work being carried out, our expenditure has increased in line with it and although 2010 was a very busy year for our Executive President, we still managed to meet his and other costs out of the 2010 income without dipping into the 2009 surplus of \$25,000 plus.

Details of our income and expenditure for both years are shown in the leaflet

A Budget of \$68,500.00 has been set for 2011 which should be met from 2011 income and which could leave us with a small surplus of \$3000.00

The Accounts have been audited by the Australian Dragon Boat Federation

David A. Cogswell
IDBF Treasurer

INTERNATIONAL DRAGON BOAT FEDERATION – BUDGETS 2011/2012

ANNUAL BUDGET 2011	Income	Expenditure	
Membership Fees	\$7,950.00	Development Fund	\$3,500.00
Subscriptions Affiliates	\$1500.00	Office Running Costs	\$3,000.00
Championships	\$19,000.00	Admin - Secretariat	\$6,000.00
Boat Spec & Licence Fees	\$3,000.00	Depreciation	\$2,000.00
Paddle Spec & Production Fees	\$3,000.00	Travel Grants	\$3,000.00
Hire of Development Boats	\$1,000.00	GAISF Fee	\$3,500.00
		Newsletters	\$2,000.00
		Contingency Fund	\$2,000.00
		Anticipated Surplus	\$10,450.00
	<u>\$35,450.00</u>		<u>\$35,450.00</u>

PROPOSED BUDGET 2012			
Membership Fees	\$8750.00	Secretariat Costs	\$7,000.00
Affiliates Subscriptions	\$2,000.00	Depreciation	\$2,000.00
Championships	\$20,000.00	Travel Grants	\$5,000.00
Boat Spec & Licence Fees	\$3,000.00	GAISF Membership Fee	\$3,750.00
Paddle Production Fees	\$3,000.00	Newsletters	\$7,500.00
Hire of Development Boats	\$1,000.00	Contingency Fund	\$5,000.00
		Anticipated Surplus	\$8,750.00
	<u>\$37,750.00</u>		<u>\$37,750.00</u>

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st DECEMBER 2010

	2010
	US \$
CURRENT ASSETS	
Capital Equipment	
Dragon Boats	\$0.00
Lap Top Computer	\$439.20
Stocks	
Officials Pin Badges	\$ 0.00
Officials Log Books	\$237.38
Bank	
Cash in Hand	\$0.00
Bank Account US Dollar	\$46,067.45
Bank Account Euro Dollars	\$1,685.00
DEBTORS	<u>\$18,393.28</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$66,383.11</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES	
CREDITORS	\$8,390.07
Pre Paid Membership Fees	\$ 250.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$8,640.07</u>
NET ASSET	<u>\$57,743.04</u>
REPRESENTING	
General Fund	<u>\$57,743.04</u>

ENCLOSURE 3 TO THE 13TH IDBF CONGRESS MINUTES

MEMBERSHIP AND MEMBERSHIP UPGRADES APPROVED & PASSED BY CONGRESS

Agenda Item 13 refers. IDBF Statutes Article 9 - Members.

The IDBF shall consist of Full; Basic; Associate and Honorary Members. IDBF Members are required to recognise and accept the authority of the IDBF as the sole world governing body for Festival Dragon Boating and the sport of Dragon Boat Racing. (See also Bye-Law 12.1.1.)

List A. New BASIC Members.

Armenia Association of Paddle Sports	Basic Member
Brunei National Boat Race Association	Basic Member
Belarus Dragon Boat Federation	Basic Member
Ghana Dragon Boat & Rafting Association	Basic Member
Dragon Boats Lithuania	Basic Member
Mauritius Wushu, Dragon, Lion Dance Federation	Basic Member
Nigerian Dragon Boat & Trad Boat Organisation	Basic Member
Puerto Rico Dragon Boat Federation	Basic Member

List B. ASSOCIATE Members.

None.

List C. BASIC Members recommendation for FULL Membership

Dragon Boat Association of India.	Full Member
Iran Dragon Boat Association.	Full Member
Slovakian Dragon Boat Association	Full Member
Guam Paddle Sports Racing Association.	Full Member
Trinidad & Tobago Dragon Boat Association	Full Member
Turkish Dragon Boat Federation	Full Member

List D. Nominees for Honorary Membership

HRH Prince William, the Duke of Cambridge
HRH Catherine the Duchess of Cambridge

ENCLOSURE 4 TO THE 13TH IDBF CONGRESS MINUTES

Amendments made by the IDBF Council and notified to the Member's Congress

AMENDMENTS FOR 2012 to the IDBF STATUTES, BYE LAWS, COMPETITION REGULATIONS AND THE RULES OF RACING.

Amended words and sentences are shown in *blue italics throughout this Enclosure*

A: IDBF STATUTES.

Amendments passed by the Congress to take effect from 1 January 2012, unless otherwise shown

In all Articles where it says **Controlling Association**, changed to **Governing Association**.
In Articles 6, 20, 26, 37 and 45, the words "Executive President" changed to read "**President**".

Article 1 - Name and *Recognition*.

1 – 名称和组成

With the objects of encouraging the development of the Sport of Dragon Boat Racing

The IDBF is recognised by SPORTACCORD, formerly, the General Association of International Sports Federations (GAISF) as the SportAccord Full Member International Sports Federation, (IF) specifically governing dragon boating on a world-wide basis. (Aug 09)

Article 2 - Jurisdiction.

2 - 管辖权限

Whilst the IDBF acknowledges that 'Dragon Boating' *is* both a sport and a recreational activity, *over* which it has *jurisdiction*, the *competitive governance* of the IDBF *concerns* the 'Sport of Dragon Boat Racing,' *which for the purposes of this Article, shall include competition in other types of Traditional Long Boats common to Asia, Africa, the Americas and Oceania.* (Aug 09).
Dragon Boat Racing shall be defined within the IDBF Bye-Laws and its format and conduct laid down in the IDBF Competition Regulations and Rules of Racing.

(Inter se its member organisations, the jurisdiction and governance of the IDBF may, as well as the Sport of Dragon Boat Racing, also encompass recreational and festival dragon boating activities. All such terms are defined in the IDBF Bye-Laws.)

Article 5 - Autonomy of **Governing Associations**.

5 管辖协会自治

The IDBF shall have no part in purely national or territorial questions, *unless the actions of a Member adversely affects the Status and Standing of the IDBF or another IDBF Member. The IDBF shall allow its Member Associations complete autonomy internally, however, the IDBF shall monitor all activities of its Members, Continental and Regional organisations, which may affect the IDBF either in part or in its entirety. (See the IDBF Bye Laws for definitions of Status and Standing etc).*

(A Member Association may call on the IDBF for advice on internal matters or to act as adjudicator when requested to by the Member concerned. Where a Member does not uphold the Objects of the IDBF or does not conform with the conditions of IDBF Membership, or the majority of member organisations of an IDBF Member so demand, then the IDBF may convene an enquiry into the conduct of the member concerned or ask an appropriate authority, within the member's country of domicile, for a situation report. See also Article 18 - Expulsion)

Article 9 - Members.

9 - 会员

The IDBF shall consist of Full; Basic; Associate and Honorary Members. IDBF Members are required

IDBF Members may group themselves together within their own Continents, as defined in the IDBF Bye-Laws, to form Continental Dragon Boat Federations, under the terms and conditions described in the Bye-Laws. (See Bye-Laws 15 and 16)

Article 14 - Associate Members *and IDBF Affiliation.*

14 - 会友

The IDBF Council may admit as Associate Members such other organisations and for such periods of time as it deems fit. The Bye-laws shall define the terms and conditions of such membership (Aug 09). *IDBF Affiliates in Countries or Territories where an IDBF Full or Basic Member does not exist, may be offered IDBF Associate Membership under the Membership terms and conditions shown in the IDBF Bye Laws.* (Aug 11)

Applications for Associate Membership shall be made to the Secretary General for consideration by the IDBF Executive Committee and approval by the IDBF Council. By exception, an Associate Member that is an autonomous Dragon Boat Organisation, may be given Full Membership under the same conditions as Bye-Law 12.3.4, without having first been an IDBF Basic Member. (Sep 03)

Applications for IDBF Affiliation, shall be made to the IDBF Secretariat and approved by the Competition & Technical Commission, on behalf of the IDBF Executive, who shall ratify the affiliations.

(The term Associate is a general term that may also include Affiliated groups to distinguish between different types of organisation associated with the IDBF - See Bye-Law 12.6.4. IDBF Associate Members are non-voting, see Art 33.)

Article 21 - Composition and Chair Holder. 21 - 组成和主席

The Congress shall consist of delegates representing the Full and Basic Members of the Federation (IDBF). Associate Members may send observers to a Congress.

The President of the IDBF shall take the Chair and open and close the bi-annual IDBF Member's Congress or, failing him or her, the Senior Vice-President (in case of equal seniority, the eldest) shall preside. *In the absence of the Senior (1st) Vice-President the 2nd Vice-President, shall preside and so on to the 3^d and 4th Vice Presidents. In the absence of all the Vice Presidents, the Secretary General shall preside. The President shall conduct the business of the Congress according to the Agenda laid down in these Statues. In the absence of the President or if the President so directs, a Vice-President or Secretary-General, as detailed above, shall conduct the business of the Congress.* (Aug 11) - **Revised Article to come into Effect from 1 January 2014.**

Present Article 21The President of the IDBF shall take the Chair or, failing him, the Senior Vice-President (in case of equal seniority, the eldest). In the absence of the President and all Vice-Presidents, the Executive President shall preside. (Amendment 1).

代表大会是由国际龙联的正式和基本会员组成。会友可派观察员参加代表大会。国际龙联主席主持代表大会，如果主席未能履行职责，可由第一副主席代其主持会议（在几位副主席资历相同的情况下，由年长者主持）。如主席和所有副主席均无法出席，由执行主席主持

Article 36 - Management of the IDBF.

36 - 国际龙联的管理

The IDBF shall be managed by an Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall consist of the *IDBF President; five (5) Vice-Presidents;* a Treasurer and a Secretary-General. *One Vice-President shall be a nominee of the Chinese Dragon Boat Association.*

The Executive Committee shall operate under the Direction of the *President*, with the assistance of other Members of the Council, when so required.

In matters concerning the changing of Statutes or other formal decisions of the IDBF Congress, the IDBF is bound by the signatures of the *President or Senior Vice-President*. In the absence of the *President and Senior Vice-President*, the alternative signatory shall be that of the Secretary-General. (Aug 11)

Decisions of the IDBF Executive Committee and Council are bound by the signature of the *President* and Secretary General, other than in exceptional circumstances, when the signatories shall be that of the *Senior Vice-President* and the Secretary-General and one other Member of the Executive Committee (Aug 11) – **Revised Article to come into Effect from 1 January 2014.**

Article 37 - Election of Members of the Council.

37 - 理事会成员的选举

The Members of the Council, with the exception of the Continental Representatives, shall be elected for four (4) years by the Congress. The Members of the Council are honorary office bearers. The **Elected** Members of the Council shall retire in sequence and are eligible for re-election, *for up to three (3) consecutive terms of office. By exception, a fourth or subsequent terms of office, may be permitted, provided the Member of the Council concerned is unopposed and receives at least 80% of the voting members present at the Congress at which the re-election takes place. (Aug 11)*

The *President* and Treasurer; shall retire together and the *Secretary-General and five (5) Vice-Presidents, two (2) years later. The four (4) Commission Chair holders shall retire in the same year as the President.* **Revised Article to come into Effect from 1 January 2014.**

Article 39 - Casual Vacancies on the Council.

39 - 理事会职位临时空缺

In the case of a casual vacancy on the Council, *with the exception of the President, Continental and Regional Representatives, the Executive Committee shall replace the member concerned until the next Ordinary Congress. In the case of the President, the Council shall replace him or her, as detailed in Bye-Law 4. A Continental or Regional Representative shall be nominated by the Continent or Region concerned or replaced by the Executive Committee as above.* **Revised Article to come into Effect from 1 January 2014**

Article 40 - Honorary Members.

40 - 名誉会员

In acknowledging the Chinese cultural roots and history of Dragon Boating, when so nominated by the Chinese Dragon Boat Association, the IDBF shall appoint a President of Honour, whose duties will be detailed in the IDBF Bye-Laws. – To come into effect from

There shall be IDBF Honorary Presidents' who may be appointed by the Congress.....

Article 42 - Decisions of the Council; Executive Committee and Commissions.

42 - 理事会、执行委员会和各专项委员会的决定

All decisions of the Council, Executive Committee, the specialist Commissions and any IDBF appointed groups shall be taken by a majority of the votes cast by the members present. In the case of a tie, the Executive President (**President from 1 January 2014**), at Meetings of the Council and Executive Committee or the Chair Holder, at Commissions and other IDBF group meetings, shall have a casting vote

Article 48 - IDBF Continental / Regional Representatives.

48 - 国际龙联洲际/区域代表

A 'Continent' may be defined by the Council, from time to time. The IDBF Continental Representative,

The Chair Holder or *President*, of each Continental or Regional Federation, *as decided by the federation concerned* or another nominee of the federation concerned, shall be an ex-officio member of the IDBF Council with full voting rights.

The elected Officers of a Continental Federation may not hold the same position within the IDBF, at the same time and if elected as either the IDBF President, Secretary-General or Treasurer, they must relinquish their equivalent Continental Office.

When a Continental / Regional Federation is not present in a continent, the Executive Committee may, after consultation with the Full Members in the continent or region concerned, nominate a Continental (Regional) Representative for that continent (region), *from an IDBF Member organisation or nominate one of the IDBF Vice Presidents as the Continental or Regional Representative*, until such time as an IDBF recognised Continental or Regional Federation is formed, *(Aug 11 - See also Bye Law 4.7)*

B: IDBF BYE-LAWS

Amendments notified by the IDBF Council to the Congress to take effect from 1 January 2012, unless otherwise stated, in accordance with the dates shown in the IDBF Statutes.

BL 2.2 In pursuing these principles the IDBF shall maintain a general unity of action and a mutual respect for its Members in their dealings with each other. The IDBF shall not interfere with its *Governing Associations, Continental and Regional Organisations, except as prescribed in Article 5 of the Statutes (Aug 10)* and it shall monitor all activities which may affect the IDBF, either in part or in its entirety, as referred to in Article 5.

BL 3.13 (1.8) **International Dragon Boat Races.** International Races may be held for either **Club** Crews or **Representative** crews. (1.7) For International Races sanctioned by the IDBF, *the IDBF Rules of Racing and Safety Regulations must be adopted (Aug 11) and the Competition Regulations should be adopted where appropriate.* Dependant on the circumstances in which they are held, International Races can be either Festival or Sport Racing events, as defined in Bye-Law 3.3.1 and 3.3.2.

International Races for Representative Crews must be organised or sanctioned by an IDBF *Governing Association*. Corporate Races, such as those held as part of the World Corporate games; Masters Games; Fire-fighters Games and the like, *are* defined as Festival Racing, for the purpose of these Bye-Laws *and should seek approved status from the IDBF.*

BL 3.14 Multi-Sport Games. *Dragon Boat Competitions that take place as part of an International Multi-sport games, for example, the Olympic Games, are accepted as being Dragon Boat Championship Races for the purpose of this Bye-Law, provided that such racing has received IDBF sanctioning, that is, all such Dragon Boat Competitions shall be held in accordance with the IDBF Competition Regulations concerning Water Safety, Technical facilities and organisation and the selection of Race Officials and will always be conducted under the IDBF Rules of Racing.*

BL 3.15 (1.11) Sport Racing held as part of an *International Multi Sport Games*, shall have the same status as an IDBF *organised, sanctioned or approved* Championship.

BL 3.16 World and Continental Cups. *World Cup competitions shall be sanctioned directly by the IDBF Executive Committee and Continental Cups by the IDBF Continental Federation concerned. Competitions may consist of a single Dragon Boat competition or a series of such competitions, in one or more Countries or Territories, in a given year, in which National or Territorial selected Crews, from an IDBF Member compete.*

The format and duration of each such Cup competition will be decided between the IDBF / Continental Federation and the Cup Organiser concerned but as a minimum must include crews from the Premier Division, as defined in the Competition Regulations. (Aug 09) World & Continental Cups may also be held for BCS crews.(Aug 10).

A World or Continental Cup Trophy will be awarded for each Cup Series (single or multiple) and Medals may be awarded to the winning crews as in the manner of a World Championship Regatta.

Revised Bye-Law 4.1 to 4.9 inclusive, to come into Effect from 1 January 2014

Bye-Law 4 (BL 2) DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

The IDBF Presidents' In acknowledgement of the Chinese cultural roots and history of Dragon Boating, the IDBF has two Presidential appointments, the President, who as the Senior Elected officer of the IDBF is the head of the Federation and the President of Honour, nominated by the Chinese Dragon Boat Association. The duties of the President are as follows:-
(Aug 11)

BL 4.1 (2.1, 2.5 4.3. 4.5) **The President.** *The President is the Senior Elected officer of the IDBF and shall ensure that the Objects of the Federation are pursued at all times; that meetings of the Executive Committee are called at regular intervals and of the Council annually.*

The President shall be responsible for ensuring that the interests of the Federation are fully represented with outside agencies, that the Statutes of the Federation are complied with and that the IDBF Bye-Laws, Competition Regulations and Rules of Racing are adhered to.

The President shall be an ex-officio member of *all IDBF Continental and Regional Federations and IDBF* Commissions, Committees, Panels and Federation Working Parties. (Aug 11)

It is incumbent upon the President to:

BL 4.1.1.(2.1.1, 4.3.1) Guide and control the entire work of the IDBF. *Attend multi-sports games World Championship Regattas, and other important IDBF competitions and preside as the Chair of the Jury at World Championship*
(Aug 10)

BL 4.1.2. (2.1.2, 4.1.2. 4.3.2) *Be the prime representative* (Aug 11) of the Federation in its relations with national and international sports organisations.

BL 4.2 (2.2, 4.4) Should the President be *temporarily unavailable or not able to fulfill* the duties of the *President's* office, the *Senior Vice-President* shall undertake them. *Temporary shall general be taken to mean a period of absence of up to six (6) months.*

If the Senior Vice-President is also unavailable or not able to fulfill the duties of the President, then the duties shall be undertaken by the 2nd Vice-President and so on. If none of the Vice Presidents' are available, then the Secretary-General may undertake the President's duties and in the absence of the Secretary-General the Treasurer may undertake the duties of the President. (Aug 11)

BL 4.3 (2.3, 4.5) In the event that none of the *of the Vice-Presidents', the Secretary-General or the Treasurer are able to temporarily undertake the duties of the President,* then *providing that a quorum of at least four(4) Council Members are present,* the Council shall appoint a Temporary President *from one of its own number or from an IDBF Full Member, to temporarily undertake the duties of the President.*

4.3.1 *In the event that the President is unavailable or not able to carry out the duties of his or her Office, as laid down in the IDBF Statutes and Bye-Laws, for a period exceeding six(6) months, then the Council, as above, shall appoint an Acting President, normally the Senior Vice-President or another Vice President, if available, until the elected President can resume his or her duties or until the next IDBF Member's Congress, whichever date is the soonest.*

Re-number 4.6.1 to 4.6.2 and 4.6.2 to 4.6.1 and 'IDBF' inserted before Presidents'

BL 4.4 (2.4, 4.6). The President shall sign solely (or together with the Secretary-General and, or Treasurer) official documents of the IDBF, as laid down in Art 36 of the IDBF Statutes and shall keep members of the Executive Committee, the Council and the Commissions, informed on all matters affecting their areas of responsibility. (Sep 03)

BL 4.5 (4.6.1) **Expenses:** The traveling and accommodation expenses of the *President* or the *President's* nominee, in connection with the duties of the Office shall be paid by the appropriate hosting organization or as an exception by the IDBF. (Aug 09).

4.5.1 (4.6. 4.6.2) The *President* shall provide the Secretary-General and Treasurer with copies of all correspondence originated on behalf of the IDBF.

BL 4.6 (2.5, 4.2) **IDBF President of Honour.** *By custom and practise a President of Honour, when so elected, shall be nominated by the Chinese Dragon Boat Association and elected unopposed by the acclamation of the IDBF Member's present at the Congress. The President of Honour shall be entitled to attend all meetings of the IDBF Council in a voting capacity.*

BL 4.7 (2.7) **The Vice-Presidents.** The Senior Vice-President, as defined in Article 21 of the Statutes (that is, the Vice President who has held such Office the longest) shall be responsible for undertaking the duties of the *President* or any of the Officers of the Federation, whose duties are detailed in this Bye-Law, in the event that one or other of them is prevented from exercising the office concerned. (Aug 11).....

4.7.1 *Duties and Responsibilities: The duties and responsibilities outlined in this Bye-Law will be allocated by the Executive Committee according to the location, interests and experience of the Vice-Presidents as elected at the time. The duties and responsibilities of the Vice-Presidents will generally be:-*

- 1. Liaison with and supporting new IDBF members in developing the Sport.*
- 2. Supporting and advising the Chair-holders of the IDBF Commissions.*
- 3. Responsibility for matters of protocol and ceremonies at IDBF Championship Regattas.*
- 4. Liaison with International Sports Federations and Multi Sport Games in conjunction with and on behalf of, the President*
- 5. Dealing with Membership issues; liaison with and visits to, the IDBF Members in conjunction with and on behalf of, the President .*
- 6. Assisting the President in carrying out his or her duties.*

BL 4.8 (2.8) The Vice-Presidents shall fulfil any *other* specific tasks allocated to them by the IDBF Council, the Executive Committee or the President and shall contribute, for example, to IDBF publications. They shall report on all such activities. (Aug 09)

4.8.1 The Vice-Presidents may also assist the Officers of the Federation in carrying out their duties and under the authority and co-ordination of the President, *act as the Commission Chair Holders or Continental Representatives.* (Aug 11). The Secretary-General shall be provided with copies of all official correspondence originated by the Vice-Presidents.

BL 4.9 Whenever the IDBF does not have an Honorary President, the Senior Vice-President shall assist the *President of Honour* in these duties and in representing the IDBF. (Sep 03)

BL 4.12 *Should the Secretary-General be temporarily prevented from fulfilling the duties of the office, the Deputy Secretary-General, or Deputies, when appointed under Bye-Law 4.17, shall undertake them. If there is not an appointed Deputy Secretary-General, then the Senior Vice-President or the IDBF Treasurer shall undertake them.*

4.12.1 In the event that the Secretary-General is unavailable or not able to carry out the duties of his or her Office, for a period exceeding six(6) months, then the IDBF Council shall appoint an Acting Secretary-General, normally a Deputy Secretary-General, if appointed, or the Senior Vice-President or the Treasurer, if available, until the Secretary-General can resume his or her duties or until the next IDBF Member's Congress, whichever date is the soonest.

BL 4.13 (2.12, 4.12) **The Treasurer.** The Treasurer shall prepare in consultation with the Finance Sub-Committee, see Bye-Law 4.14 (2.13), the budget for *bi*-annual submission to the Congress. The Treasurer shall be responsible for seeing that the annual expenditure keeps within the limits laid down in the IDBF Budget. It is incumbent upon the Treasurer to:

4.13.1 collect all membership subscriptions and other monies due to the IDBF.

4.13.2 keep the financial records of the IDBF.

4.13.3 prepare the IDBF accounts for audit purposes and obtain the report of the auditors.

4.13.4 present budgets and financial reports to IDBF Executive and Council Meetings.

4.13.5 prepare and present a bi-annual report and auditor's reports to the IDBF Congress.

4.13.6 Should the Treasurer be temporarily prevented from fulfilling the duties of the office, the Deputy and or Assistant Treasurer, when appointed under Bye-Law 4.17, shall undertake them. If there is not an appointed Deputy or Assistant Treasurer, then the Secretary-General or Deputy Secretary General, when appointed or the Senior Vice-President, shall undertake them. (Aug 11)

4.13.7 In the event that the Treasurer is unavailable or not able to carry out the duties of his or her Office, for a period exceeding six(6) months, then the IDBF Council shall appoint an Acting Treasurer, normally the Deputy or Assistant Treasurer or a Deputy Secretary General, if appointed, or the Secretary-General or Senior Vice-President, if available, until the Treasurer can resume his or her duties or until the next IDBF Member's Congress, whichever date is the soonest.

BL 4.25 (2.21) **Continental & Regional Representatives.** The Continental Representatives and Regional Reps..... They shall ensure the proper conduct and organisation of all IDBF sanctioned events held within their Continent (Region) *and shall provide the IDBF Secretariat with copies of the Minutes of all Executive, Committee, Board, Council and Congress meetings of their respective Continental or Regional Organisation.*

BL 5.2 (3.2) IDBF Members and Commission Chair holders may recommend to the Executive Committee candidates, as commission members, for consideration by the IDBF Council. Generally IDBF Members may only recommend one candidate per Commission. *The IDBF Members shall bear the travelling expenses of their Members attending Meetings of the IDBF Commissions.*

Each Commission shall *generally* consist of up to twelve(12) members, *except the Competition & Technical Commission (C&TC) where the number may be fifteen (15).* Each Commission will include a Chair holder, *elected by the IDBF Congress* and two Vice-Chair-holders *appointed by the IDBF Council.* A nominated Member of the Council, *normally an IDBF Vice-President, will* also be assigned to a Commission to give advice and assistance to the Chair Holder, as necessary.

BL 5.2.1 *The Commission Chair-holders or the IDBF Executive Committee, have the power to suspend Commission Members who have not been active in their Commission.*

BL 5.2.2. *The IDBF Executive Committee may replace a Commission Chair-holder or Member who has not been active in the work of their Commission and may appoint new Chair-holders or Members until the next appointments to the Commissions are due.*

BL 8.1 (6.1) **Measures.** Under Articles 17 and 18 of the Statutes, Member Organisations of the IDBF may face Suspension or Expulsion from the Federation. This Bye-Law lays down the other disciplinary measures open to the IDBF and the circumstances in which action to Suspend or Expel a Member *or an individual* will be taken: (6.1). (Mar 11)

BL 8.7 (6.5) **Appeals.** Appeals against a decision made by the Council concerning action taken under 8.1.1 to 8.1.4 can be made by the IDBF Member concerned *or through the IDBF Member, the individual concerned,* (Aug 11) to an Ordinary Congress, whose decision shall be final.

BL 13.1 Shown in the Annex to this Bye-Law are the full details of the Bidding System for a World Championship.....

A WDBRC and CCWC are ratified by the IDBF Congress and the WCorcom and *UCWC* by the IDBF Council.

Change of Bye-Law Numbers:- BL 15 now BL 17 and BL 17 now BL 15

BL 16.1 *Under Article 9, of the Statutes and* in accordance with Article 48, Part 3 of the Statutes, the Council of the IDBF recognises both Continental and Regional Federations or Associations for dragon boating and National or Territorial Dragon Boat Organisations, under the following terms:-16.1.1.....
16.1.2.....16.1.3

BL 16.1.4 The IDBF *President (from 1 Jan 14) at his or her discretion, may attend* meetings of the Executives; Councils and Congresses of the IDBF Continental or Regional Organisations *and may nominate a representative to attend in his or her sted.*

BL 16.1.10 A Continental or Regional organisation cannot issue Certificates and Licences associated with the IDBF International Race Officials *or Coaches Awards Schemes* (Aug 11) but may be authorised to conduct and assess candidates for such awards, under the supervision of the IDBF Competition and Technical Commission (C&TC).

BL 16.1.11 Continental and Regional organisations may develop new competitive formats for *Dragon Boats and other Traditional Long Boats (TLBs)* that are not presently covered by the IDBF Competition Regulations and Rules of Racing. Any new formats are subject to discussion with the IDBF C&TC and the agreement of the IDBF Executive Committee, to ensure that competitors' safety and the integrity of the sport are not compromised in any way. (Aug 09)

C: COMPETITION REGULATIONS

Amendments proposed by the C&TC, ratified by the IDBF Council and notified to the Congress to take effect from 1 January 2012, unless otherwise stated.

A: SCOPE & DUTIES

A1. The IDBF Competition Regulations and Rules of Racing for International Regattas are primarily designed for use at IDBF Championship *Regattas* and IDBF sanctioned *or approved Events* (see *A11.6 for definitions*) such as, International Races for Representative National or Territorial Teams and *IDBF Members Club Crews*. Although not compulsory for traditional Festival Races or International Races for Club Crews, *not approved by the IDBF*, where local rules will normally apply, the IDBF Regulations and Rules may be adopted by such races and by an *IDBF Governing Association* in the event that local rules do not exist, or are inappropriate.

A10. SITUATIONS NOT COVERED. In situations not covered.....

For IDBF World Championship Regattas, the IDBF Jury, acting on behalf of the IDBF Executive Committee is empowered to make such decisions and to give such instructions as are necessary to effect the Purposes of A8 above concerning the IDBF Competition Regulations and Rules of Racing. (Aug 10)

A11.3.1 Breast Cancer & All Survivors Crews (BCS/ACS). *Dragon Boat Crews formed from competitors who have been diagnosed with Breast Cancer or another form of Cancer or have suffered from Breast Cancer or another form of Cancer. (Aug 10)*

A11.3.2 Disability Groups Crews (Adaptive Paddlers). *Crews formed from competitors with physical or mental conditions that limits their movements, senses or activities. (Aug 10)*

A11.6.1 An IDBF Sanctioned Event. *IDBF Sanctioning, is given where the Dragon Boat organisation concerned is operating to organisational and safety standards that comply with the requirements of the IDBF Competition Regulations; Water Safety Policy and Safety Advice and the IDBF Rules of Racing. For example a Championship Regatta.*

A11.6.2 An IDBF Approved Event. *IDBF Approval is given where the Dragon Boat organisation concerned has notified the IDBF that it is operating to organisational and safety standards that are acceptable to the IDBF but where the IDBF Competition Regulations are not necessarily applied. For example an IDBF Affiliate (Aug 11).*

1. GENERAL REGULATIONS.

CR 1.2 Use. These Competition Regulations shall also apply in full or part to IDBF organised; sanctioned or *approved* International Races for Representative or Club Crews.....

CR 1.3 IDBF Championship *Regattas*. IDBF Championship *Regattas* may be arranged annually.....

The number of IDBF Championships *Regattas* may vary from time to time. Presently the following Championship *Regattas* are under the organisational control of the IDBF:-

The World Dragon Boat Racing Championships (WDBRC);

The Club Crew World Championships (CCWC)

The Corporate & Community World Championships (WCorcom) (Sep 03)

The Universities & Colleges World Championships (UCWC) (Aug 10)

The IDBF will also organise or sanction World Championship Regattas for Disability Groups (Adaptive Paddling or Para Dragons) and World Cup Competitions for the Sport, from time to time. World Cup Competitions are classified by the IDBF as World Class Regattas. (Aug 10)

CR 1.3.1 IDBF Championship Regattas *and Cup Competitions (Aug 10)* may also be held at Continental and Regional level. Where this is the case such events will normally be organised by the continental or regional organisation recognised by the IDBF for a particular continent or region and shall bear the name of the Continental or Regional organisation concerned.

CR 1.4 Championship Crews. IDBF Championships *and Cup Competitions*, may be held for **Representative Team Crews**; **Club, Corporate & Community, University & College Crews and Adaptive Paddlers or Para Dragon Crews.**

a. **A Representative Team Crew** is a Dragon Boat Crew selected to represent their country, territory, continent region or Member, as defined in the IDBF Bye-laws (Sep 02).

b. **A Club Crew** is a Crew that represents itself or a bona fide Dragon Boat Club.

c. **A Corporate /Community Crew** represents the organisation concerned. (Sep 03)

d. A University / College Crew represents the University or College concerned (Aug 10)

e. An Adaptive Paddlers (Para Dragons) Crew represents a recognised Disability Group or Organisation (Aug 10)

f (a). **Racing Colours.** **Representative** Crews at a WDBRC must compete in the recognised Racing colours of their Country or Territory (see Regulation 9.12)

Crews from an IDBF Associate Member must compete in the Racing Colours of their Associate Member. **At a CCWC, WCorcom or UCWC**, crews must compete in their own organisation's colours or neutral (plain White) Racing Colours.

CR 1.4.2 Club Crew and Other Championships. **CCWCs** are restricted to Club Crews representing a Dragon Boat Crew or Club, not an IDBF Member. Crews must compete under their 'Club Name' and in club attire and must not be given Representative Team status. Club Crews from at least six (6) IDBF Members must compete before a Competition Class can be given Club Crew World Championship status. (See Reg 1.5.2). *For other Championship Regattas these numbers may be reduced to a minimum of four (4) Teams, per Competition. (Aug 11)*

a. (143.a) **Breast Cancer Survivors – World Championships & Participatory Festivals.**

Breast Cancer Survivors Crews (BCS) are classified as Club Crews and may therefore compete in a Club Crew World Championships (CCWC), within their own Racing Division, as well as in BCS Participatory Festivals (PF).

BCS Participatory Festivals are approved by the IDBF as World Class Regattas, under Comp Reg 1.3 and are held under the governance of the International Breast Cancer Paddlers Commission (IBCPC). The IBCPC is the IDBF C&TC Divisional Commission for Breast Cancer Survivors Dragon Boat Crews. (Aug 10)

CR 1.4.3 World Corporate & Community Championships (WCorcom) are primarily designed for **Novice Crews**,

Other special regulations concerning the known ability and experience of competitors may apply. Corcom Crews from at least *four (4) countries or territories (Aug 11)* recognised by the IDBF must compete before a Competition Class can be given Corporate and Community

CR 1.5.2 Club Crew Championships. For a Club Crew Championships up to **five (5)** different crews per Competition Class, may compete from one nation, territory or IDBF Member. *In the BCS Division; the World Corcom (Sep 03) or UCWC* there are no restrictions on numbers.....

In all Championships in the Junior & Senior Racing Divisions, one (1) crew per Age Class (presently A, B and C classes) is allowed but by exception two (2) crews may be allowed, on the recommendation of the C&TC, by the IDBF Executive Committee, for newly developing Age groups.

CR 1.5.3 Continental & Regional Championships. For a Continental or Regional Championships *the number of entries per Competition allowed is as laid down by the Continental or Regional Federation concerned.*

CR 1.7.1 CCWC. Entries to a Club Crew World Championship (CCWC) must be approved by the IDBF Member Association, where one exists, in the Country or Territory in which the Club Crew is domiciled. *BCS Crews must be affiliated to their IDBF Member and the IBCPC.*

.....**Approval means that the**

CR 1.7.2 Universities & Colleges World Championship. *Competitors in Crews entering a UCWC must be currently registered as students at the University or College concerned. Crews must be sanctioned by and ideally affiliated to the IDBF Member Association, where one exists, in the Country or Territory in which the University or College is a registered entity.*

CR 2.1.2 Women's Class - *In the Women's Racing Class crews must be all female and of any age, except for those under 12 years old to whom Regulation 2.1.1. applies. In the BCS Division, Crews may race with Male BCS crew members. (Aug 10)*

CR 2.1.3 Mixed Class - crews must contain a minimum of eight (8) and a maximum of twelve (12) Female paddlers. There are no restrictions on age, except for the 12 years old rule shown in Regulation 2.1.1. *For Small Boat Races this shall be 4 to 6 females. (Aug 10)*

CR 2.1.4 Junior Class - Races may be held for Single or Mixed gender crews or in Open Competition, as shown above, with the exception of the Steerer (Helm) the following age categories will apply to the Junior Class **from 2013 as at the 1st June**, in a given year.

CR 2.1.5 Senior Class - Races can be held for Mixed or Single gender crews or in Open Competition, as shown above, with the exception of the Drummer, all competitors must be aged 40 or over, **on the 1st June**, in a given year. *(Sep 07)*

The present IDBF Council approved Senior Racing Classes are:-

Senior A. Competitors over the age of 39,

Senior B. (Grand Dragons) Competitors over the age of 49,

Senior C. (Great Grand Dragons) aged 60 or over

all on the 1st June in a given year.

Additional Age Group Categories, for the Junior and Senior Classes (for example Senior D, over 70 years old) may be added to and introduced at World Championship Regattas, when the IDBF Council so decides. *(Aug 11)*

CR 2.3 Additional Classes. Other Racing and Competition Classes may be introduced at the discretion of the IDBF Executive Committee, who may implement classes, or not, as they see fit, from time to time, *subject to ratification by the IDBF Council.* For the purposes of this Regulation, *BCS Crews are considered as a separate Championship Division, for which dedicated World Championships may be held – see 1.4.3a & 2.4.*

CR 2.3.1 With effect from 01 January 2008, an additional Championship Class will take effect, for competitors *of 18 or over and under the age of 23..... Up to six (6) racers in a Standard Boat competition and three (3) in a Small Boat competition, may be under 18 years old, as at the 1st January in a given year. (Aug 09)*

CR 3.1 Crew Numbers. Dragon Boat Crews competing in World and Continental Championships will normally consist of:-

a. for the Standard Racing Boat (DB22) in competition, a minimum of eighteen (18) and a maximum of twenty (20) Paddlers; one (1) Steerer and one (1) Drummer; giving a minimum total of twenty (20) and maximum total of twenty-two (22) Racers in a Competing Boat, at any one time. *Up to four (4) Reserve Paddlers may also be nominated for a Crew.* For other Championships the Standard Boat numbers can be reduced to a minimum of sixteen (16) Paddlers, for a minimum total of eighteen (18) Racers, in a Competing Crew.

b. for the Small Racing Boat (DB12) a crew shall consist of ten (10) paddlers and (2) nominated reserves, plus a Drummer and a Steerer, for a maximum of 14 Racers in a Crew. (Aug 10). Variations to these numbers can only be made with the approval of the IDBF Executive Committee.

CR 3.1.1 World Championship Crews, Squads & Team. For a WDBRC the minimum number of people in a Representative Team shall be 20 (*Standard Boat*) and 12 (*Small Boat*), that is one Competing Boat, as defined in 3.1 above.

CR 3.1.2 (3.1.1) Squad Composition The maximum number of people in a Squad, within a Team, will vary according to the Competition Programme but shall be 84 persons, per *Premier Standard Divisional Squad and 48 persons, per Premier Small Divisional Squad*.

The maximum number of Racers in the Premier Division Squad would be 26 per Open, Women and Mixed Crew, plus their supporting officials (total of 6). The officials may be competitors. For *U23s*, Junior and Senior Squads, this becomes a maximum of 84 persons, per Age Group, for example, Senior A and Junior B, within the Junior and Senior Divisions. The figures for each Divisional Squad enable each Team to have specialist crews, each with a maximum of 26 racers, that is 22 + 4 reserve paddlers, in each of the Open, Women's and Mixed Racing Classes in a particular *Standard* Division *or 14 (12 + 2) in a Small Boat Division*.

CR 3.1.3 (3.1.2) From this maximum total of 84 people (*48 Small Boat*), per Divisional Squad, must come all the competitors for all the Competition Classes entered in a particular Division, that is, Premier, Junior or Senior, as the case may be, with which to contest all the Competition Classes entered in a particular Division. However, Mixed Crews can also be formed from a combination of competitors from the Open and Women's Crews).

Thus a Standard Dragon Boat Team may range from 20 people (one crew) to a maximum of 672, dependant on the number of Championship Divisions and associated Crews *represented* in a World Championship Team, *that is, a maximum of 8 Divisional Squads of 84 people in each – 1 x Premier, 1 x U23s, 3 x Junior and 3 x Senior, each with an Open, Women and Mixed Crew. The numbers in a Small Boat Team will generally be 50%, plus 1, of a Standard Team.*

CR 4.1 Representation. To represent a country or *territory* in an IDBF Championship
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CR 4.2 Country or Territory of Residence. Dragon Boat competitors who have left their country or territory of birth and are *a permanent and not a temporary* resident in another country or territory, may represent that country or territory, if they have lived there for a current period of three (3) years or more and have not represented their country/ territory of birth, during the previous two (2) years. (Nov 03).

a. Exceptionally, competitors who have a *permanent* residential qualification of less than 3 years and who have not represented an IDBF Member previously, may.....

b. Temporary Residency. *A Temporary Resident, for the purposes of this Regulation, is a person who resides in a Country or Territory by virtue of a holding a visa, for example a visitors visa, student visa, work visa or the like.*

The IDBF considers such visas to indicate a 'temporary' residency in the Country or Territory concerned, not a permanent residence, unless such a visa has been held for a current continuous period of 3 years or more, in which case for the purpose of representation at international level, permanent residency will be accepted by the IDBF as having been established. In such cases CR 4.2 also applies. (Aug 11)

CR 5.1 (5.4) Traditional Designs. The IDBF in recognising the different designs of Dragon Boat (Long Zhou) and Paddles (Jiang) *as well as other forms of Traditional Long Boats (TLB) and other Traditional Paddled Water Craft (TPWC)* that exist in Asia, *Africa, Oceania and the Americas*, endorses such *TLBs and TPWC* for general use by IDBF Members.

The IDBF Council approves for IDBF sanctioned International Races, those Dragon Boats and single bladed Paddles, that are common to the People's Republic of China (CTWDB); Chinese Taipei; Hong Kong (HKTWDB) and Macau China *and other TLB & TPWC common in other IDBF Member Countries* and any derivatives of these designs approved by the *IDBF Member* in the country concerned or by the IDBF Council. (Sep 02 / Jan 03 / Aug 10)

CR 5.2.1 IDBF Building Specifications (IDBF Specs) consisting of a Technical Manual and Drawings for.....

CR 5.3 (5.2) Exceptions. The IDBF Executive Committee shall be empowered, in exceptional circumstances, to permit the use of other designs of *Traditional Dragon Boat and Paddles at a World Championship*, if it is in the best interest of the sport so to do.

CR 5.3.1 Different designs of Approved Dragon Boats and Paddles will not be permitted to race in the same competition class as each other. *Other designs of TLBs and paddled watercraft (TPWC)*, propelled by single bladed paddles, may also be included in a World Championship Regatta, at the discretion of the IDBF Council. (Sep 02)

CR 5.4 (5.3) International Races and Sanctioned Competitions. *For IDBF sanctioned International Races the Dragon boats (Long Zhou) and equipment used should normally be to IDBF Spec but other traditional designs may be used – for example the CTWDB and HKWDB. In IDBF approved competitions. Dragon boats of a different design, TLBs and other TPWC are permitted.*

For both types of events, the type and outline specifications of the boats and equipment being used must be notified in advance of the races by the Event Organiser, to the competing crews.

CR 5.5 Sponsors Advertising. At IDBF Championship sponsorship of or advertising on, dragon boats and equipment, by an event sponsor, is permitted subject to

Under this Regulation, Organising Committees may override Regulation 9.12, and **exclude crews from using their own boats when advertising a sponsors products, provided that all crews are supplied with newly purchased alternative boats and paddles to IDBF Specifications**.....

CR 7.11 Titles and Prizes - Champions. When the number of Nations, Territories and Crews in an **IDBF World or Club Crew Championships, Corcom Championships or University & College Championship** conforms to Competition Regulation 1.5,

CR 7.12. (7.13) World Championships' Places. Competitors in crews finishing in second and third places in each of the Competition Classes will be awarded silver and bronze coloured medals respectively and each crew a trophy. *All crews in a Class Grand Final will receive certificates of achievement recoding their placing in the competition class. (Aug 11)*

* **CR 7.13 (7.12) IDBF Championship Races.** When the number of Nations or Territories in a Competition Class in a World or Club Championships is less than six (6) then the title World Champion shall not be conferred on the winning crew.

IDBF Championship Medals and trophies for the Competition Class concerned, will be awarded as follows:-

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| a. One Entry only | – a trophy and certificate of participation. |
| b. Two Entries | – 1 st placed crew Medals, 2 nd placed a trophy. |
| c. Three Entries | – First two crews Medals, 3 rd placed a trophy. |
| d. Four or Five Entries | – First three crews Medals, remaining crew(s) certificates. |

CR 8.3.1 Entry Forms. *For an IDBF World Championship Regatta there are four (4) types of Entry Forms for use at different stages in the entry process namely, Provisional Entry, Confirmed Entry, Final Named Entry, Deferred Entry and Late Entry. (Aug 2010)*

1. **A Provisional Entry** is sent to the IDBF at least 6 months before an IDBF Championship to indicate to the Organising Committee that a Team or Club Crew intends to enter the event.
2. **A Confirmed Entry** is sent to the IDBF at least 3 months before a Championship to indicate to the Organising Committee that a Team or Club Crew will enter the event.
3. **A Final Named Entry** is sent to the IDBF a maximum of 6 weeks before a Championship and includes the Names and details of all the participants attending the Championship.

4. **A Deferred Entry** can be sent to the IDBF instead of the Final Named Entry, when the list of participants cannot yet be finalized or the full funding for the participants has yet to be confirmed. Such an Entry will ensure that the crews concerned are shown in the Race Programme for the Competition Classes they have entered and do not attract a Late Entry Fee.
5. **A Late Entry** is one received by the IDBF after the closing date for the Final Entry and up to two (2) weeks before an event, when a Deferred Entry has NOT be submitted. Provided that the Race Programme can accommodate such an entry, a Late Entry will only be accepted at the discretion of the IDBF Championship's Chief Official and will attract a Late Entry Fee.

CR 8.3.2 (8.3) For IDBF International Races entries may be accepted from non-members. Entries for IDBF competitions must be forwarded by crews through their IDBF Member, where one exists. An entry shall be made on the Entry Form provided by the organisers. All Entries must be returned to the Organising Committee by the Closing Date for Entries.

The following Comp Regs have been renumbered as shown

CR 8.3 now 8.3, 8.3.1 and 8.3.2

CR 8.4 now 8.6.

CR 8.4.1 now 8.7, 8.7.1 and 8.7.2.

CR 8.4.2 now 8.8.1a.

CR 8.4.3 now 8.8.1b.

CR 8.5 now 8.8.

CR 8.5a now 8.8.2

CR 8.6 now 8.4

CR 8.7 now 8.3.3

CR 8.8 now 8.5 (8.8.1 now 8.5.1)

CR 13.3.1 Wrist Straps and Boat fasteners. Wrist to Paddle Straps are **NOT** allowed or any other fastening system that connects a competitor to a paddle or the boat, as such fittings constitute a safety hazard. (Aug 11)

CR 13.4 Seat Pads. Dragon Boat Seat Pads (cushions) as described in Reg 13.1 shall be made of a soft material, such as neoprene, of *an approximate thickness of 15mm* that will compress easily when squeezed between finger and thumb. The width of the seat pad *may vary in size and shape* but shall approximate to *the width of a paddling seat in the IDBF Standard International Racing Boat and should ideally, not exceed 20cm in width and 40cm in length.*