

Re: Council Meeting of Sailing Federation of Hong Kong, China (“HKSF”) held on 22 January 2025

The following is a brief note of some decisions and discussions made at the Council Meeting for HKSF members’ information:

1. Hong Kong Race Week 2025 (HKRW)
 - 1.1 HKSF signed an agreement with Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club (RHKYC) on co-organising HKRW.
 - 1.2 HKSF would enter into an agreement with Sun Hung Kai & Co. Limited on its sponsorship for HKRW.
2. Code of Governance, SF&OC
 - 2.1 SF&OC will have the implementation of the Code of Governance by 2 phases. Phase I is on the Board Governance, Selection of Athletes and Administration of Membership. Phase II is on the Integrity Management, Management of Coaches & Umpires and General Administration.
 - 2.2 HKSF will send 2 representatives to attend the Phase One Implementation Workshop organised by SF&OC.
3. Review of the mechanism of election of Council Members
 - 3.1 At the 2024 AGM, Tom Sheppard commented that with the deemed election of Council members in the event of the number of nomination not exceeding the number of vacancies, there is no voting on a candidate even if the candidate is not suitable.
 - 3.2 The Council will review the election mechanism and consider if any change is appropriate.
4. GBA Collaboration & Sailing Events
 - 4.1 Port Shelter Regatta of HHYC to be held in September will be included in the series of the Greater Bay Area Sailing Competition of 2025.
5. Purchase of boats with the grant of Sir David Trenh Fund (SDTRF)
 - 5.1 The boats have been delivered to Little Palm Beach Sailing Centre.
6. Match and Team Racing Committee (MTRC)
 - 6.1 The appointments of the following persons to MTRC for 2025 were approved:
David Fan (chair), James Barker, Bob Vart, Herman Wong, Simon Leung, and Alain Choi
7. Selection Committee (SLC)
 - 7.1 The appointments of the following persons to SLC for 2025 were approved:

Peter Backe (chair), Lucy Sutro, Gregoire Bourrut Lacouture and Rita Yau

7.2 The revised Selection Guidelines (with the dates of selection dates) for 2025 International Hansa Class Championships and the selection results were approved.

8. High Performance Committee (HPC)

8.1 The appointments of the following persons to HPC for 2025 were appointed:
Peter Backe (chair), Cheung Mei Han and Kevin Lewis

8.2 The national team sailors won medals at 2024 ILCA Asian Open Championship and the HK sailors did very well at 2024 Optimist Asian and Oceanian Championship .

9. Grassroots and Sailing Pathway Committee (GSPC)

9.1 The appointments of the following persons to GSPC for 2025 were approved:
Cheung Mei Han (chair), Alexandra Chan, Kelvin Chan, Simon Leung, Kay Rawbone, Raymond Wu and Stanley Tse.

10. Racing Rules and Appeals Committee (RR&AC)

10.1 The appointments of the following persons to RR&AC for 2025 were approved:
Peter Davies (chair), John Berry, Tom Sheppard, Ben Harding, Dave Campbell, Walder Ip and Mick McCool

11. Race Management Committee (RMC)

11.1 The appointment of Lucy Sutro as the chair of RMC was approved.

12. Judges and Umpire Committee (JUC)

12.1 The appointments of the following persons to JUC for 2025 were approved:
David Fan (chair), Tom Sheppard, Ben Harding, Lesley Anderson, Howie Suen, Peter Davies, Felix Kong and Vicky Chan

12.2 JUC approved:
(a) the International Jury of HKRW; and
(b) Gordon Ho as club judge effective on 16 January 2025.

12.3 Over 120 people attended the new racing rules seminar via zoom in December. The video recording of the seminar has been posted on HKSF's Youtube channel and had over 800 views, being the 2nd most popular video of HKSF.

13. Promotion and Communication Committee (PCC)

13.1 The appointments of the following persons to PCC for 2025 were approved:
David Fan (chair), Michelle Kwan, Vivian Nga, Kevin Lewis, Manson Ma, Walder Ip and Ben Chong

14. Finance Committee (FC)

- 14.1 The appointments of the following persons to FC for 2025 were appointed: Raymond Wu (chair), David Fan, Ben Chong and Doris Leung and Joseph Chu
- 14.2 There was a surplus of HK\$68K in December.
- 14.3 The HKSF Accounting Procedures revised according to LCSD comments were approved by the Council.
- 14.4 Sir David Trench Fund for Recreation (Main Fund) Grants Audit Report was approved by the Council.

15. Para Sailing

- 15.1 Kay Rawbone reported the following programmes of Sailability:
 - (a) Shelter Cove Sailability Programme
 - (b) Intro to Sailability for Jockey Club Ti-I College on 22 December
 - (c) Spectator boat during Optimist Asians
 - (d) ATIR on Mohan
 - (e) 4 Peaks Race with 4 para sailors and 2 runners with disability
 - (f) Paralympic visit on 5 February
- 15.2 Kay Rawbone would be appointed the chair of Para Sailing Committee of World Sailing.

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*Note: This brief note is for HKSF members' information only and is **not** a complete recording of the HKSF Council meeting.*