WORLD COUNCIL MEETING  
June 15, 2011  
Lion’s Dive Resort, Curacao

World Council Members Present:  
Paul-Jon Patin (President), Paul-Jon Patin for Andres Santana (Past President), Paul-Jon Patin for Eduardo Cordero (Vice President), Patricia Manning for Terry Beadle (Secretary), Patricia Manning (Treasurer), Rob Eberle (Chief Measurer), Paul-Jon Patin for Andres Santana (ISAF Representative), Rodrigo Favela for Tony Collins (Membership Chair), Paul-Jon Patin for Chris Williams (Advisory Council Representative), Alex Zimmerman for Guillermo Cappelletti (Advisory Council Representative), Brent Richards (Builder Representative), Richard Chapman (Youth Worlds Coord.), Richard W. van der Wal (Aruba), Malcolm Smith for Donnie Martinborough (Bahamas), Malcolm Smith (Bermuda), Sipke Stapert (Bonaire), Matheus Dellagnelo (Brazil), Niet Kort (Curacao), Jonathan Martinetti (Ecuador), Job Habraken for Greta Dekker-Bruning (Holland), Andrea Milla for Luigi De Luca (Italy), Jacobo Margules (Mexico), Alex Zimmerman for Guillermo Cappelletti (Peru), Richard Chapman for Derek Jackson (USA), Rodrigo Favela (Venezuela).

Roll Call:  
President Patin called the meeting to order at 8:16 p.m. Roll call was taken and it was determined that a quorum was present. Each recognized NSCA was entitled to one vote. The USA with 918 members was entitled to one additional vote, making their total two votes.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting:  
The minutes of the last meeting were approved as published by email to the World Council members after last year’s meeting.

President’s Report:  
President Patin reported that the centerboard that was used in Italy by the manufacturer is very clean and well made and has been well received.

President Patin has a draft of a letter of intent with LaserPerformance that will allow Sunfish Class involvement in the decision making process about changes to the boat, being involved in how charter fees are calculated as to cost and dictated to the Class and all the other things that need to be outlined between the Class and the manufacturer. This has been needed for a long time.

President Patin also mentioned a new relationship between LaserPerformance and Mclaren, a European company that provided sponsorship for this Worlds.

Ecuador has been selected as the country who would like to sponsor the 2012 Worlds but no formal acceptance for that location has been made. The above mentioned letter of
intent with the manufacturer needs to be in place before Ecuador can be granted the bid. The same situation exists for the PanAm Games and all other events that involve the manufacturer and their support.

Brent Richards stated that LaserPerformance will not be providing boats for the PanAm Games in 2012. It will be up to the individual country to work with the local distributor or bring their own boat to the event.

**Vice President’s Report:**
Vice President Cordero is working with the various Spanish speaking countries with regard to all Sunfish Class issues.

**Treasurer’s Report:**
Treasurer Manning reported that the effect of raising the amount of dues from $10 to $12 per membership effective 1/1/2011 is beginning to allow us to show an increase in revenues. For the period of January 1 through May 31, 2011 membership dues are up $4222 over the same period in 2010. However, declining membership in USSCA has taken its toll and so we will have to wait to see where we are at the end of 2011. There was a decrease of $2955 in the cost of producing the Windward Leg due to fewer issues being produced in 2010 than in 2009. It was noted that credit card fees have increased about $500 over the previous year. This is due to both increased volume and increased amount per transaction. Treasurer Manning will look into getting our fees reduced by calling the processor and trying to renegotiate the rate.

It was moved and seconded to approve the financial reports as presented. The motion passed.

**Advisory Council Report:**
Rod Eberle summarized the Advisory Council meeting activities (see 2011 Advisory Council Minutes).

**Proposed Changes to the Rules:**

3.6.6 National Letters as previously presented was rejected by ISAF because, according to them, it is covered by Appendix G of the RRS. The problem is that the letters, as prescribed, won’t fit on the sail. The next step is to change our wording and re-submit our request to ISAF.

3.4.4 Tiller – Chafe Protection from the Bridle: ISAF approved allowing any material can be added to the tiller for a maximum of 16” to prevent chafing.

3.6.5 Color of Numbers on Sails: We requested a change due to some wording. ISAF rejected the change and referred us again to RRS Appendix G but the way our rule is worded it still needs to be changed because of wording referring to a given “sail” that needs to be a given “panel”. So this item will be reworked with better wording and re-submitted.
3.2.5 Daggerboard Maintenance: This goes back a couple years to a minor change to the wording. ISAF modified and the modification passed through the AC/WC the second time and the ISAF modification was approved. This can be fixed as of 7/1/2011. Refer to Advisory Council minutes for specifics.

Old Business:
A. Change to Rule 3.5.6: **No limitation on trim line use.** This request was withdrawn and perhaps some specific rules change may be presented in its place in the future.

B. Change to Rule 3.7.1: **Proposal to allow one extra purchase on the mainsheet.** The proposal failed for lack of a second on the motion.

C. Change 3.5.6 to permit a third cleat: **The proposed change deals with allowing additional lines and cleats on the spars, which are currently limited by Rule 3.5.6.** No specific motion was made on this request and this matter was tabled for further clarification and the submission of a formal rule change.

New Business:
A. A motion to change the Midget age to 15 from 14. The motion failed.

B. A motion to change the term “Midget” to “Junior” anywhere it appears in the Constitution (especially in light of the fact that the term “Junior” as a division has changed to “Youth”.) The motion was seconded and passed.

C. A motion was made to allow larger sail numbers that are more readily available to countries outside the United States, essentially to a range of 9.5” to 12.5”. The motion passed in AC and was put forth to the WC as follows: **There is a motion to change 3.6.5 "Size and Shape" to read:** The numbers must be easy to read, and of the following dimensions: Height: 9.5” to 12.5” (241 to 318mm), Width: 7± 1/2” (178± 13mm), and Thickness: 1 3/4± 1/4” (45± 6mm.) All numbers on the sail must be the same size. Motion was seconded and passed.

D. An idea to allow two halyards under 3.7.2 was tabled for further discussion and formation of a rule change for presentation on the 2012 agenda.

E. An idea under 3.5.9 to allow a second cleat on the mast had problems with the wording and it was tabled for further discussion and possible presentation on the 2012 agenda.

F. There was a discussion about the new fiberglass daggerboard that are being used at this Championship. The difference in shape, particularly in the crescent area, was discussed. It does not fit into the Class measurement jig. It is stiffer and stronger than the
foam board and with no metal rebar, it doesn’t disturb compass readings. It is still, of course, Class legal because it was provided by the manufacturer.

Membership Committee Report:
Proxy Rod Favela for Tony Collins provided the following membership report. The International Sunfish Class currently has nineteen (19) "Recognized" National Class Associations, with a total of 1295 members, consisting of; Argentina (20 members), Aruba (20) members, Bahamas (27 members), Bermuda (20 members), Bonaire (20 members), Brazil (20 members), Columbia (25 members), Cuba (5 members) Curacao (50 members), Dominican Republic (24 members), Ecuador (20 members), Guatemala (21 members), Holland (20 members), Italy (20 members), Peru (20 members), Puerto Rico (20 members), United States (898 members), United States Virgin Islands (20 members) and Venezuela (25 members). Added after Tony’s numbers were given to him are Mexico (20 members) and an additional 20 U.S. members. This makes the grand total 1315 members.

Non-Recognized Membership NSCA’s include twelve (12) countries, to wit; Antigua, Austria, British Virgin Islands, Canada, Central America, Chile, Ireland, Martinique, New Zealand, Portugal, St. Maarten, and Uruguay.

ISAF Committee Report:
No report.

Election of Advisory Council Officers:
The following slate of officers were nominated and elected:
  Chris Williams (USA) – Chairman
  Jim Koehler (USA)
  Paul van Alphen (Holland)
  Piet Bankersen (Holland)
  Alex Zimmerman (Peru)
  Guillermo Cappelletti (Peru)
  Jonathan Martinetti (Ecuador)
  Luis Canuto (Argentina)
  Jose Vincente Gutierrez (Venezuela)

Old Business:
A. Review of the ISCA Policies for the Sunfish Worlds – Tony Collins

Membership Minimums:
- Year 1 – 5 members Minimum – 2 World Qualifiers
- Year 2 – 10 members Minimum – 3 World Qualifiers
- Year 3 – 15 members Minimum – 4 World Qualifiers
- Year 4 – 20 members Minimum – 5 World Qualifiers

Any non-recognized NSCA with more than 5 years of inactivity will be able to join again as a new NSCA in its first year.

The country requesting to be recognized as a new NSCA shall submit a written application that shall be reviewed and approved by the ISCA officers. The ISCA officers shall pay special attention to the ISAF eligibility code and how many members are current residents in the country they are representing. ISCA officers will have the right to ask for additional information or documents to understand the development plan of the Class in their country.

After some lengthy discussion it was decided to table the issue and charge Tony Collins and Andres Santana with formalizing the ideas presented here into changes to our constitution or rules if necessary and present the matter at the 2012 Worlds.

B. Requirement for all NSCA’s to have an email address - The requirement of all NSCA’s to have a current email address was stressed again. This is becoming increasingly important as we grow. Please email the Class Office of any change in your email address and/or your mailing address.

New Business:
B. Venues for the 2012 and 2013 South Americans & Youth Championships – Patin
None at this time.

C. Honorary Life Membership Nominations

No nomination was made this year

a. Current Life Members:
   Terry Beadle
   Don Bergman
   Jean Bergman
   Cindy Clifton
   Larry Cochran
   Joel Furman
   Bill Haberland
   Ernie Kervel is deceased and, by definition, should have his name removed
   Paul Odegaard
   Lee Parks
   Alex Roose
   Leonard Ruby
   Andres Santana
   Alan Scharfe
   Dick Tillman
   Will White, III

D. 2012 Worlds – Jonathan Martinetti brought the Minister of Tourism from Ecuador in
to give the presentation for Manta, Ecuador for the 2012 Worlds. The timing would be
between June and August. The amount of boats to be sent would be 72 and the charter
fees would be about the same as Curacao.

Negotiations continue between the Class and the manufacturer with the hope that a
formal proposal can be worked out by August 2011.

E. Electronic Distribution of the Windward Leg: There was a discussion about having
the Windward Leg distributed in electronic format. Treasurer Manning expressed her
opinion that the written format should not be entirely replaced. President Patin agreed
that there is a need for the printed publication but people could opt in to receiving it in
electronic format instead of in printed format.

F. Return of Fees for Cancelled Participants – Treasurer Manning asked the Council how
they would like to handle the return of fees to cancelled Worlds participants. A
discussion took place. A motion was made to return the boat charter/entry fee less a 10%
service fee to the competitors that notified the Class Office early enough so that it was
able to find a replacement. The motion was seconded and it passed.

G. Rich Chapman made a motion that Curacao be reimbursed for the cost of a Mexican
Flag that it purchased. The motion was seconded and passed. The flag will be added to
the flags that ISCA maintains for the World ceremonies.

Adjournment:
The meeting was adjourned at 10:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry A. Beadle
ISCA Secretary