

## **Qualifiers 13 January 2022 20-30**

EH,PW,NA,AB,DF,ED,GK,HJ,IB,JM,KL,PC,PS,NC,HH,KR

Looking at numbers to make it a fair championship, looking at the imbalance of progression to play offs and finals

With 5 regions there would be a better distribution

**PW**- cant run events that cost money. Condensing numbers makes more viable sense and its under par with regards to racing

**EH**- result of moving one of the hosts could co host with another. Liverpool potentially happy to co host. Discussing dates and moving and sharing profits so no one loses out. Need to run a fair champs

**GK & AB** worked on the numbers and created a spreadsheet

**PS** what is the optimum size of the event. The driving force behind moving from 5 to 6 regions was more teams. This year less teams. 24 boat play off large event

**EH** South-Southampton makes more money hiring bots. Portsmouth running the event stands to make a loss

Top 3 go through, next 4 playoffs 20-24. Need to make it more cost efficient for students

**PS** Anyway to force clubs to make numbers up so each event approx. 14 boats

**EH** no more boats to enter

**NA** quoted NOR and stated error in NOR

**EH** this is the old NOR, not edited from previous event before areas changed. Discussion with BUCS to approve though James seemed OK

**PS** you need to consider that regions were voted in on AGM

**EH** we are not changing regions as a whole just for qualifiers. Looking at solution for reshuffle

**GK** if we keep it as is, not viable. 5 regions or BUSA covers cost

**HH** undermining of committee and votes to change without consulting members

Discussion on quals for this year to five needs proposing

**KL** consider the unis who with 3 weeks notice have to change areas or compete against unis with 3 teams

**HJ** this would be disheartening

**AB** we cannot zone by ability, that was the argument dismissed with the original 5 v6 debate. Discussed moving 5 3<sup>rd</sup> teams, how do we get them there

**NA** This wasn't considered in the proposal of 6<sup>th</sup> regional addition geographical position was

**NA** question regarding BUSA cost, would we consider reducing 12% cut

**PS** if we are happy with the fairness of qualifying then look at cost. How did we do last year, did we make a surplus. This is an important event

31/8/20 6515.00 surplus 2021 not uploaded

**PW** 14.1 NOR posted, contractual stuff we can do

**EH** not amending here

**HH** accommodation already booked??

**PC** Look at teams, 3<sup>rd</sup> team, will they be the same standard. Agree if I signed up to Northern I would want to do Northern not Midlands

**GK** Exeter 3<sup>rd</sup> team have podiumed at almost every event

**NA** Same as Southampton/Oxford/Cambridge

**KL** Development-little money. Fund used to support these events

**AB** options. Split profits or offer financial fall back for South. Shifting zones whole BUSA debate and all members should be given the option to voice their opinion

**JM** 16 entries, top 7, the other 9 are developing

**HJ** Be great to do well

21-25 Meeting closed with **EH**

- Revisit at AGM
- Financial viability
- Regions being fair
- Vote for BUSA to assist financially AGREED
- Northern umpires still issue, volunteers to help
- EH is writing document to clarify running an event/bids etc