Dear friends,

I am now 14 years in the board of IDNIYRA Europe. I was from 2006 until 2010 Commodore.

In the minutes from 2006 you can read as follows: (in extracts)

Topic 12:

With one abstention Niklas Müller-Hartburg was elected to the post of IDNIYRA-Europe Commodore.

In response to a question concerning his intentions he outlined his priorities as:

- a. FUN as an essential element of Ice Sailing, which he would do his best to encourage.
- b. The establishment of IDNIYRA-Europe as a legal entity (Topic 5)
- c. Adequate insurance (Topic 10)
- d. Establishment of a Professional Race Committee (Topic 20)
- e. Improved communications.

He paid tribute to his late brother Andreas, who had done so much to encourage the sport.

In this period we created a legal organization with founding IDNIYRA-Europe e.V. in Germany. I invented the PRC and I am convinced that without that we would not have had any WC or EC anymore. At this point I want to thank Stan Macur and his team, with whom I had a perfect cooperation for all the years I were Commodore.

I implemented with Godie the Insurance ID and the online registration system – without him we would not have anything of those running all over the years. – Thanks a lot for the very amicable teamwork.

Last but not least 2 years ago in Budapest in the meeting with our friends from NA I suggested to have a similar membership system as our friends have in NA. The aim was to have the same precondition for voting and for a common organization all over the world.

Having ONE class on BOTH sides of the pond.

Because of juridical reasons it was not possible to implement this new membership system in Germany, where IDNIYRA-Europe e.V. was founded in 2006. To make it possible, I convinced the Commodore to found IDNIYRA-EUROPE – Eissegelverband Europa in Vienna. I wrote the constitution and I organized all necessary meetings for founding and dissolving our organizations.

NOW I have the feeling that my point "a" (see minutes from 2006) is hard to fulfill.

There are some people who make postings on Facebook about our work, which on the one hand show that they have no glue what and why we are doing things, and on the other hand they are offending and disrespectful.

And the teamwork in our board is gone. Some want to do the work alone, without asking or hearing what others say – they give at least that feeling to me.

I was elected 2018 for 2 years as Insurance-Manager. This period ends now.

Due to I am not willing just to "make my work" without having any chance to be creative and to have a teamwork, I decided not to be available for this job anymore – outside circumstances are changing.

I hope we will find the FUN again.

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