



Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
January 29, 2016  
Conference Call

Attendees:

USA Judo Board of Directors:

Lance Nading, President

Christal Ransom

Joe Marchal

Devin Cohen

Leo White

Mark Hill

Noboru Saito

Gerry Navarro

USA Judo Staff:

Jose H. Rodriguez

Corinne Shigemoto, COO

1. Roll Call

President Nading conducted roll call, declared a quorum established and called the meeting to order at 1:33pm MST.

2. Motion by Lance Nading

To accept the Board Minutes of November 20, 2015. Seconded by Noboru Saito, all in favor, no opposed, motion passes.

3. Motion by Noboru Saito, Chair Audit Committee

To authorize the transfer of Scholarship and deferred revenue amounts related to the AJF funding currently listed as a liability on the balance sheet to the equity section in an account called Board Designated New Assets, effective, November 1, 2015. Seconded by Devin Cohen, all in favor, no opposed, motion passes.

4. Motion by Noboru Saito, Chair Audit Committee

To authorize transfer of \$110,000 from the Board controlled savings account to the USA Judo High Performance Checking account. This amount (\$110,000) will be replenished with the last payment from the USOC (PPA) scheduled on 11/15/16. Seconded by Joe Marchal, all in favor, no opposed, motion passes.

5. Motion by Noboru Saito

To add Michael Eldred, Athlete Representative and Janet Johnson to the Referee Standing Committee. Seconded by Devin Cohen, all in favor, no opposed, motion passes.

6. Motion by Devin Cohen

To add Lynn Roethke to the Rank and Certification Task Force Committee. Seconded by Joe Marchal, all in favor, no opposed, motion passes.

7. Motion by Lance Nading

To reaffirm Standing Committees and Task Force Chairs and members as listed. Seconded by Devin Cohen, all in favor, no opposed, motion passes.

8. Motion by Noboru Saito, Chair Audit Committee

To post the 2016 USA Judo approved budget on the USA Judo website. Seconded by Christal Ransom, all in favor, no opposed, motion passes.

9. Motion by Noboru Saito, Chair Audit Committee

To post the USA Judo 2014 Financial Statement as prepared by the Independent Auditors to the USA Judo website. Seconded by Joe Marchal, all in favor, no opposed, motion passes.

10. Old Business

- Hearing Panel Report

The first report to the USOC was submitted on the due date of January 15, 2016. President Nading thanked all who worked on the report. Feedback from the USOC was positive and USA Judo will continue to work to fulfill all the recommendations made by the Hearing Panel.

- Executive Director Update

The USOC has provided a list of search firms for review by USA Judo. The USA Judo Search Committee will review the list and meet to discuss further. A proposed timeline will be determined and reported to all Board Members. The USOC will also provide some financial assistance in the search for a CEO.

11. New Business

- CEO Report by Jose H. Rodriguez

CEO provided an update on the 2016 Havana Grand Prix. Highlights were the three medals won by Team USA; Marti Malloy-gold, Travis Stevens-silver and Kayla Harrison-bronze. The US Ambassador to Cuba attended and presented Marti Malloy with her medal. Board Member Mark Hill also attended the event as well as many VIP functions, where Mr. Vizer was in attendance.

Mr. Jerry Soloman, agent for Kayla Harrison also attended. CEO Rodriguez was able to arrange a private meeting with himself, Mr. Soloman, Mr. Vizer and Mr. Naser Al-Tamimi, General Treasurer of the IJF. The discussion included how to keep retiring-elite athletes engaged in judo and that the IJF would be open to financial assistance in keeping these athletes contracted with USA Judo.

CEO Rodriguez and a U.S. city Sports Commission Executive will be attending a meeting in Paris to meet with Mr. Vizer and Jean-Luc Rogue, General Secretary of the IJF the beginning of February to discuss the possibility of placing the 2018 IJF World Championship in this city. All expenses related to this meeting are being covered by the IJF.

The IJF Veterans event tentative dates conflict with the USA Judo National Presidents Cup Championship. USA Judo is looking into alternate dates for the National Presidents Cup.

- Membership Report by Corinne Shigemoto

Finished 2015 exceeding the income budget for membership numbers. January 2016 is holding strong in membership numbers and we should finish the month ahead of budget. Work continues with the bookkeeper on a weekly basis.

- Mr. Saito reminded the Board that USA Judo was again included in the USOC Matching Grant Program. The USOC will match \$25,000.00 of donations received by USA Judo.

12. Motion by Lance Nading

To adjourn, seconded by Joe Marchal, all in favor, no opposed, motion passes. Meeting adjourned at 2:34pm MST.