

Minutes
USA Judo Rank and Certification Task Force
November 22, 2019 in Dallas, Texas

Members:

Chair - Pat Burris
Secretary - Dr. Jim Webb
Bert Becerra
Devin Cohen
James Colgan - phone
Vicki Daniels
Ronald Hansen - phone
Lynn Roethke
Randy Russell
Katie Sell – written report
Leo White

Members not present: Marti Malloy, Dr. Hector Morales, Gary Takemoto

1. Call to order by Chair Burris at 2:00 PM.
2. Vote on guidelines for wearing Red and White belt proposed by Ron Hansen was tabled pending further review.
3. Vote on the proposal for award of 9th and 10th Dan rank by USA Judo passed.
4. Vote to change the procedure to allow USJF and USJA rank recipients to have their rank verified on a USA Judo card above Godan was deferred to the USA Judo Board of Directros.
5. Vote to determine procedure for recognizing ATJA rank was approved up to and including sandan.
6. The following applications for promotion were reviewed:

Yodan

Andy Bosijevac, Ohio - passed
Kunihito Fumioka, Illinois - passed
Urbano Hernandez, Florida - passed
Charles Schmidt, Pennsylvania - passed

Godan

David Cheverie, Alaska - passed
Charles Clark, Florida - passed
Lazaro Diaz, Florida - passed
Benjamin Franklin, California – failed due to time in grade
George Golda, California – failed, need to document points and reapply
Ronnie Nicholson, Florida – failed, time in grade
Neal Takamoto, Hawaii - passed

Rokudan

Bill Abbott, Texas - passed
James Boots, Indiana – failed, need more time and activity with USA Judo
Margarita Cabrera, Florida – failed, need more points and time in grade

John Jacobson, Wisconsin – not considered per Group B request

David Smith, Indiana - passed

Shichidan

Simon Childs, Florida – failed, need to provide additional documentation and reapply

Marc Vink, New Jersey – failed due to time in grade, need to reapply in two years

7. No new business was considered.

8. Adjourned at 3:15 PM.