

USJA Summer Board of Directors meeting

March 26, 2018

Board members present:

John Paccione

Ed Rodriguez

Celita Schutz

Dave Goodwin

Mark Tamulonis

Bob Rush-Absent

Sparky Bollenger

The President opened the meeting speaking about the revision of the reciprocal agreement in terms of tournaments. USA Judo has entered in to a bi-lateral agreement with ATJA, for only regional and local participation in USA Judo tournaments, however, rank, coaching certification are not recognized. The USJA and USJF do not recognize ATJA at any level.

Additional items agreed upon, USA Judo will now award $\frac{3}{4}$ points 7,5,3 (1st, 2nd,3rd) which is an improvement, the USJF is hoping that this will help encourage participation in the Summer Nationals. Safeguards were added regarding the insurance; we have a current and active policy that will be sent over annual. An additional item President Paccione pushed for is the reciprocal agreement for the coach's certification. The insurance, safe sport and screening has been completed, we now can (as well as the JF) attend and coach our students at any of the events USA Judo puts on. Mike Hall is sending a copy of our card so they are recognizable. Mike Hall asked for the appropriate titles for the coach's cards. President Paccione responded that the cards should read National, Regional and Local.

He went on to speak about, was that Mark Hill from USA Judo would like to standardizing the fee for coaching cards so that there would be parity and no one organization we cheaper than the others. He also state that task forces consisting of two names from each organization, will be creating, one for development and one for coaching to be modeled after other sports organizations that have been successful. We discussed parameters and expectation for the people on the Task Forces. We will have a meeting on who we recommend for our group. It will be who is best suited and we will have to have the names selected 30 days post approved and signed agreement.

President Paccione went on to comment on how USA Judo and USJA will be putting up a link to each other website shortly. The cost of membership costs was the next topic, specifically raising the membership fee to keep revenue up. Mike Hall spoke about the difficulty of having multiple rate and suggested having one universal rate. The BoD agreed to keep the life members at the current price. After a long discussion President Paccione put forth a motion; to raise the membership price to \$60.00 for all new and renewing members.

Vote: John-Y, Celita-Y, Dave-Y, Sparky-Y, Ed-Y, Mark-Y

President Paccione asked for an update on the 2019 Summer Nationals. Dave proposed that an email will be sent to the BoD giving all the details of the event, Venue hotels etc.

The next topic discussed is the National Training Center. The workout will be once a month at Celita's Dojo, open to all USJA member for free, she will be compensated \$500 per month.

President Paccione asked Gary Goltz to give an update on the promotion board. Gary spoke about the presentations for the Summer Nationals as well as recent promotions. Also spoke about the creation of a subcommittee to promote 4th and 5th Dans. The new revised manual will include more info for the Kyu ranks and junior ranks as well. There was no activity for the scholastic committee, the S&E committee reported out that we have two complaints being investigated. Also, the request was made to identify the USJA policy on players being

transgender. The response was to contact the individual tournament directors. The Referee committee and Kata committee report were read by the Secretary. There was no new business and a motion was made by Dave to end the meeting. The motion was seconded by Celita and the meeting was officially closed.