



ATJA BOD MEETING MINUTES

June 21st, 2017 at 7:30pm

respectfully submitted by
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ATJA BOD Meeting, 6/21/17, start 7:30pm: at *Comfort Inn Matthews/Charlotte/The Greatest Camp on Earth*

MEETING (OPEN):

7:30pm

Mike Muender, Secretary

CALL TO ORDER:

BOD attending:

Peter Contardo (President), Dick Cooper (Vice President), Carl Hayes (Parliamentarian), Tom Ryan (Finance Officer), Mike Muender (Secretary), Ben Bergwerf, Tom Reiff, Barry Stebbins, Tony Zimkowski

BOD Absent:

Aaron Blackwell (Advisor), Gene Fodor (Advisor), Ken Nazemetz, Pat Szejter, Hal Zeidman,

Those ATJA members in attendance:

Ron Crabtree, Chris Collins, Gary L. Monto, Dana Rucker

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

MINUTES:

—Minutes of 2016 annual meeting read: Mike Muender (Secretary).

Motion: Dick Cooper

Seconded:

Vote: unanimously approved

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Treasurer Report: Tom Ryan, Finance Officer

- Balance on January 16th: \$3,999.17
 - there was a donation toward attorney fees (\$1,000)
 - there is a individual load to pay back (\$500)
- Balance on May 17th after expenses: \$7,189.14

2. ATJA Store Report: Dick Cooper, Vice President

- services in ATJA Store: ATJA Patches (and ATJA patch embroidery for Gis)

3. Membership Report: Barry Stebbins, BOD Member

- 18 members have paid for 5 year memberships (till 2020)
- 7 members have paid for 5 year memberships (till 2021)
- Total membership was reported (as active membership, older than 16, younger than 17)

4. Ethics Report: Tony Zimkowski, BOD member

- Mike Muender voted in as Chief Background Screener
- Chief Background Checker needs to see actual SSCI Report

5. IT Services Report: Tom Reiff, BOD Member

- email addresses are available for Committee and Board members with format name@ataja.org
- copy of full report via email to Secretary (PDF format)
- ATJA services maintained include: Email services, Membership Database, Web Page.

6. Jujutsu Report: Tom Ryan, Financial Officer

- need to do at least 1 clinic for advanced Jujutsu

7. Promotions Report: Tom Reiff, BOD member

- Promotions and/or validations since June 2016-June 2017
 - 5 (1D)
 - 1 (2D)
 - 1 (3D)
 - 1 (4D)
 - 3 (5D)
 - 3 (8D)
- Drafted policy document for ATJA promotions in Judo and Jujutsu (submitted for review)
- Drafted policies for Master Examiner in Judo or Jujutsu (in progress)

8. Kata Report: Gary L. Monto, ATJA member, “A” judge in all 7 Kodokan Kata (Gene Fodor unable to attend)

- ATJA has nothing in writing for certification in Kata (for Juniors or Seniors)
- IJF dictating new grading system
- Motion:** Gary L. Monto and Tom Ryan to organize official KATA rules for ATJA

Motion to accept: Barry Stebbins

Second:

Vote: unanimously approved

Motion to accept all Committee Reports: Peter Contardo (President)

Seconded:

Vote: unanimously approved

OLD BUSINESS:

BOD Membership:

- 4 have resigned from BOD (Brian Mills, Aaron Blackwell, Hal Zeidman, Ben Bergwerf)
- Reminder of ARTICLE VI: Issue of # of BOD needed for election at any time voted on by membership at large (if vetted by committee of three).
- Motion:** Recommendations to BOD:
 - Mike Muender (Secretary)
 - Carl Hayes (Parliamentarian)
 - Pat Szejter (Judo Division Director)

Motion to approve: Peter Contardo

Second: Tom Reiff, amending that if BOD volunteers to step down they be asked to advise

Vote: unanimously approved

NEW BUISNESS:

ATJA BYLAWS:

- Motion:** Proposed changes to ATJA Bylaws Paragraph V.2.a and V.3.a (Deletions in **red**, insertions in **green**)

ARTICLE V: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

2. Number of Directors

a. The ATJA BOD shall be composed of 7-11 members who shall be called Directors. Whenever the number of Directors falls below ~~7~~ **11**, the remaining BOD by an affirmative vote of 2/3 may appoint additional persons who meet the qualifications of a Director to represent the ATJA until the next election.

Motion to change: Tom Reiff

Second:

Vote: unanimously approved

3. Qualifications for Directors.

a. An individual is qualified to serve as a Director if: i) such individual is a **Jujutsu** member of the ATJA in good standing and ii) such individual holds a Jujutsu **or Judo** rank of Sandan or higher and iii) such person supports the Bylaws and any other edicts of the ATJA.

Motion to accept: Tom Reiff

Second:

Vote: unanimously approved

MOTION FOR MEETING ADJOURNMENT: Peter Contardo, President

Seconded by:

Vote: unanimously approved

Meeting adjourned 9:32pm 6/21/2017