



Board of Directors Conference Call
July 22, 2015

Attendees:

USA Judo Board of Directors:
Lance Nading, President
Gerry Navarro
Christal Ransom

Devin Cohen
Noboru Saito
Mark Hill
Leo White

USA Judo Staff:

Jose H. Rodriguez, CEO
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 Noboru Saito

To approve a request from USA Judo Audit Committee to the American Judo Fund for a short term loan. Seconded by Christal Ransom, all in favor, no opposes, motion passes.

3. CEO Report-Jose H. Rodriguez

The Pan American Games of 2015 were the most successful in USA Judo history with 3 gold medals and 3 bronze medals. The ParaPan American Games will take place in two weeks in Toronto, in which I will attend.

In the international scene, 22 countries will attend an Extra Ordinary Congress (PJC) in Miami on July 25 in order to vote on the leadership of the PJC. Juan Carlos Barcos will also be in attendance. Robert Fukuda, as the USA Judo Referee Chair will attend in order to spend quality time with Juan Carlos Barcos.

The world championships will be held end of August and our athletes are poised to do well. The IJF congress will also be held just prior to the event. Robert Fukuda will attend as the USA Judo delegate as I sit on the IJF executive committee. Robert's expenses are being covered by him personally, while mine are covered by the IJF.

USA Judo submitted to the USOC our first plan for 2016 funding. I sat with Rachel Isaacs during the opening ceremony of the Pan Am Games and we should be getting some nice funding for 2016 based on our performance. USOC is happy with the performance of USA Judo. As a reminder, USA Judo is competing against countries with budgets in the millions of dollar range and we should be proud of what we have accomplished.

In speaking with our high performance group, Ed Liddie, Director, Chris Skelley Chair and Jimmy Pedro as Olympic Coach, they have recommended to me that the junior committee be put in a direct vertical reporting line to the high performance committee so that no longer will the junior committee sit separately from high performance. I have directed Ed Liddie to make this move no later than Friday July 31. Moving forward, whenever the high performance committee meets, it will include the junior committee.

4. Motion by Lance Nading

To move into executive session. Seconded by Noboru Saito, all in favor, no opposes, motion passes.

5. Motion by Lance Nading

To move out of executive session. Seconded by Devin Cohen, all in favor, no opposes, motion passes.

6. Motion by Lance Nading

To adjourn. Seconded by Noboru Saito, all in favor, no opposes, motion passes. Meeting adjourned at 2:28pm