



Board of Directors Conference Call Minutes  
March 18, 2015

Attendees:

USA Judo Board of Directors

Lance Nading, President  
Leo White  
Mark Hill  
Christal Ransom

Noboru Saito  
Gerry Navarro  
Joe Marchal  
Devin Cohen-joined at 1:40pm MST

USA Judo Staff:

Jose H. Rodriguez, CEO  
Corinne Shigemoto, COO  
Jim Tangelder, Finance Manager

1. Call to Order

President Nading took roll declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 1:32pm MST.

2. Motion by Lance Nading

To increase annual membership fees and offer a new membership program effective April 1, 2015 as follows:

INCREASE:

- Individual membership
  - New Youth: \$40.00 judo or jujitsu
  - New Adult: \$70.00 judo or jujitsu
  - All Renewals: \$70.00 judo or jujitsu
  - Dual: \$100.00 judo and jujitsu
- Club membership \$100.00
- Sanction fees \$75.00 for all levels

NEW PROGRAM:

- 30 day trial membership for new members only at \$20.00.

Discussion: All board members shared their opinions/input: it was pointed out that most board members were/are club coaches and former junior and elite athletes. Discussed that the increase was needed to cover actual cost related to membership benefits and services, as well as the cost of doing business; USA Judo had not had a membership fee increase since 2008. USA Judo in the National Governing Body roll requires certain level of service and programs that must be funded and delivered;

The 30 day trial membership was explained as a new program for new members only. This will allow athletes the opportunity to try judo out at a discounted fee. If a member decides to become a full member of USA Judo, their \$20.00 would be applied towards full membership fees if they join prior to their 30 day expiration. Registration for this program would only be accepted via electronic or fax.

Call for Question by Lance Nading: seconded by Noboru Saito; Vote was unanimous; with no abstention; Motion Passes

3. Motion by Lance Nading

To request from the American Judo Fund by the USA Judo Board of Directors, a grant of \$50,000.00 for legal fees to defend against the current Section X complaint that has been filed with the USOC.

Seconded by Noboru Saito; there was no discussion; Call for the question by Lance Nading; Seconded by Mr. Saito; Vote was unanimous; with no abstentions; Motion Passes

4. President Nading introduced Board Member Gerry Navarro to speak on a plan that he would like to propose as a motion. Mr. Navarro spoke on a plan to raise funds that would be used specifically for junior development. USA Judo High Performance Committee and the Junior High Performance Sub-committee will provide input on this proposed program. The plan calls for a fee to be tagged on tournament fees and that will be exclusively earmarked for Junior Development. The board briefly discussed the idea, and Mr. Navarro will present a full motion during the next board meeting to include the support of some of the key tournament directors. No action was taken until the motion is presented during the next board meeting.

5. Motion by Lance Nading

To adjourn meeting at 2:31 pm MST. Seconded by Noboru Saito, all in favor, Vote was unanimous; no abstentions; Motion Passes