



Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
March 26, 2020
Conference Call

Attendees:

USA Judo Board of Directors:

Mark Hill, President

Serge Bouyssou

Devin Cohen

Doug Kawasaki

Nick Kossor

Joe Marchal

Gerry Navarro

Crystal Ransom

Barbara Shimizu

Jim Webb

USA Judo Staff:

Keith Bryant, Executive Director/CEO

Corinne Shigemoto

Ed Liddie

Christine Godleski, Finance

Roll Call

President Hill conducted roll call. Quorum established and meeting called to order at 1:00pm ET.

1. National Championships Update-Keith Bryant

Senior National Championships-decision to postpone/cancel event currently scheduled for May 16-17 in Daytona Beach, Florida. Looking at options to host the event in the Fall.

Junior Olympic Championships scheduled for June 19-21-will revisit COVID19 situation in a few weeks to make determination on status.

2. Motion by Doug Kawasaki to approve the 2020 Budget as provided. Seconded by Joe Marchal, all in favor, no opposed, motion passes.

3. Finance Update-Keith Bryant and Christine Godleski

Overall financial situation discussed in light of the COVID19 situation. Membership renewals have fallen since the virus, creating a significant revenue loss for USA Judo. National office is reaching out to lapsed members and will review and propose membership extension possibilities

4. Motion by Mark Hill to authorize Keith Bryant to pursue exploring SBA Loans and Line of Credits for USA Judo, including potential use of US Olympic Endowment funds in an emergency situation. Seconded by Joe Marchal, all in favor, no opposed, motion passes.

5. New Business

Club Members: USA Judo continues to communicate with clubs with COVID19 updates as well as motivational items, government financial assistance opportunities, etc. USA Judo staff also is making personal calls to club coaches to see if there is any assistance we can provide or answer any questions.

American Judo Alliance Update: Calls between Presidents continue. USJA has elected a new President, Mr. Bob Rush, who will take office on April 1, 2020.

Rank Verification: ATJA judo ranks, once confirmed with ATJA will be recognized by USA Judo up to sandan rank. Jim Webb will assist with the verification process with ATJA as needed.

Strategic Planning: AJA Presidents had discussed coming together to merge aspects of each organizations strategic plans and to create one for the AJA. Was to be done at Sr. Nationals, but now we'll wait and see when is best

AJDM Update: The online course is completed, and the Task Force is reviewing now to make final edits. Working with the USOPC on the MOU and financing. Clubs are needed to serve as test models for the study program. The next step is to establish a Business and Marketing Task Force. Recommendations from the Board on who should serve on behalf of USA Judo was requested by Keith Bryant.

6. Motion by Mark Hill to adjourn at 1:53pm ET. Seconded by Jim Webb, all approved, no opposed, motion passes.