



Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
August 10, 2020
Conference Call

Attendees:

USA Judo Board of Directors:

Mark Hill, President

Devin Cohen

Nick Kossor

Joe Marchal

Gerry Navarro

Barbara Shimizu

Jim Webb

USA Judo Staff:

Keith Bryant, Executive Director/CEO

Ed Liddie, Director High Performance

Corinne Shigemoto, Director of Membership & Events

Guest:

Pete Catlos

Roll Call

President Hill conducted roll call. Quorum established and meeting called to order at 1:04pm ET.

1. Giving Games Update-Keith Bryant

Twenty-one NGB's participated in the Giving Games fundraising effort over the past two weeks. At the closing of the effort, USA Judo has raised approximately \$40K putting us third place behind USA Equestrian and USA Bobsled.

2. AJDM Update-Keith Bryant

The program was officially launched July 16 to our membership. There was a Zoom call held on July 24 for members of all three American Judo Alliance organizations to introduce the model with AJDM task members as presenters. To date, 20 individuals have gone through the online course. We continue to receive positive feedback from our members.

3. Police Judo Update-Keith Bryant

A task force was assigned and working over the past few months to create a program to teach judo in law enforcement agencies. We are working with Canada, who for over 20 years, has had a successful program in place.

4. On-Line Merchandise Store/RTG Update-Keith Bryant

We have several clubs participating in a pilot program to offer club logo merchandise through an online store utilizing RTG. We will use these next 60 days to work out any bugs before rolling the program out to all USA Judo current club members.

5. High Performance Update-Ed Liddie
We are waiting on the IJF to confirm and distribute the competition schedule for the balance of 2020. We hope to have this the beginning of September.

The USOPC High Performance department has been working with the USOPC's Government Relations Office to assist athletes needing to travel out of the country for competitions as essential travelers. This will allow athletes to travel internationally without the normal restrictions mandated during the pandemic.

To try to keep our members engaged, Israel Hernandez will be hosting a Zoom clinic this weekend for pre-registered members. Israel also participated in a six-part technical series for junior athletes. If successful, he has agreed to create an additional six-part series.

6. Financial Report Update-Keith Bryant
We continue to be very financially conscious in our spending. Membership continues to drop. And our insurance policy renewal period is September 1 and we do expect an increase in premiums due to sexual harassment/molestation coverage.
7. Hall of Fame Update-Devin Cohen
Eve Trivella and Leo White have agreed to serve on the task force. We continue to search out an athlete's representative to serve.
8. New Business:
 - Election-Update-Keith Bryant
Five positions are up for election; At large, Independent, Coach, Group A and one athlete representative. Discussions are taking place with the new Chair of the Nominating Committee, Tim Jordan on the process and timeline. We should have these out within the next week.
9. Motion by Devin Cohen to move into Executive Session. Seconded by Jim Webb, all in favor, no opposed, motion passes.
10. Motion by Devin Cohen to move out of Executive Session. Seconded by Gerry Navarro, all in favor, no opposed, motion passes.
11. Motion by Mark Hill to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Devin Cohen, all in favor, no opposed, motion passes. Meeting adjourned at 2:00pm et.