

2008 Judo Alberta AGM  
November 8, 2008  
Delta Edmonton South  
4404 Gateway Blvd.  
8PM

PRESENT (& proxies)

Garry Yamashita appoints Brian Fujimoto as recording secretary for the AGM.

1. Meeting called to order.
2. Call for new business – none.
3. Motion by Richard Patching, seconded by Jay Hitchen - agenda accepted as presented.
4. Motion by Allan Sattin, seconded by Mike Tamura – minutes of 2007 AGM accepted as presented.
5. Business arising from 2007 AGM minutes:
  - Gord Okamura notes that a proposed amendments to the bylaws to have an additional member termed Director at Large was not presented at this AGM as outlined in 5d. of the 2007 AGM minutes.
  - Suggestion that the past president be put on for one two year term as a Director at Large for continuity
  - Mike Tamura suggests adding an Athlete's Rep and a Legal Council Rep as a Director at Large.
  - Judo Alberta executive to consider the above recommendations and submit proposed bylaw changes at the 2009 AGM.*
  
  - Richard Patching questions if the 2009 Provincial Championships have been awarded. Garry Yamashita responds Calgary has been awarded 2009 as preparations for the 2009 Canadian Junior Championships, but may decline.
  - Richard Patching points out that new protocol will be drafted to ensure medals for the provincial championships are more efficiently and with accountability, to avoid the confusion of not receiving medals that occurred at the 2008 Provincial Championships in Airdrie.
  - Richard Patching to draft protocol for securing medals for the provincial championships and present to the technical committee.*
  
  - Gord Okamura raises questions as to the status of Zone Reps as outlined in 5b. in the 2007 AGM minutes.
  - Keith Bibbey is not present, but Patti Gallace responds that Keith had sent out a memo to all zones and only one zone had responded.
  - Keith Bibbey to follow up with current zone reps.*
6. Reports from the various executive members and committee chairs presented.

**EXECUTIVE REPORTS**

Presidents report – Garry Yamashita

Executive Director's report – Patti Gallace

VP Finance report – not submitted. Dean Maruyama not present.

Treasurer report – Michelle Isfeld. Revised edition to that included in the AGM handbook handed out to those present. Michelle notes that this revised edition has been reviewed and audited and accepted by two members at large.

National Councillor report – Brian Fujimoto. Brian adds that Michal Popeil replaces Frazer Will as athletes rep.

Registrar report – Kelly Thornton (not present). Submitted report by Kelly and Dean Maruyama (past registrar). Mark Hicks requests that a brief outline describing the club registrars responsibilities be sent to the clubs. Garry Yamashita responds that there is an online learning module available on the Judo Canada website.

ACTION: Kelly Thornton to follow up.

VP Admin report – Gord Okamura. Gord outlines his work with the Bio Library of history and contribution of notable judoka in Judo Alberta.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Women's Committee report – Torrie Johal. Torrie adds that the annual Girl's Camp will be held May 2,3 in St Albert. The committee will look at planning a girl's retreat in the future.

Technical Committee report – Keith Bibbey (not present). Report submitted. Paul Hachey adds that VHS tapes in the current video library are being converted to DVD. Approximately \$400 will be used to purchase new DVDs.

NCCP Committee report - Allan Sattin. Allan notes that the date in the third paragraph of his report should read April 2008 and not April 200. Next scheduled Dojo Assistant Course will be tentatively scheduled for the last weekend of January in Fort Saskatchewan.

Grading Committee report – Mr. Yoshio Senda. Mr. Senda notes that Judo Alberta continues to be a leader in promoting and producing strong kata. An interprovincial kata clinic with Mrs. Takeuchi was held in August 2008 in Lethbridge. Several kata teams have placed at the National Championships in several disciplines. Gord Okamura and Kelly Palmer will represent Canada at the World Kata Championships in Paris on November 22,23.

Mr. Senda expressed concerns that many on the yudansha candidates are not properly filling out the necessary forms. *A recommendation that future applicants have their applications and accompanying documentation and fees forwarded in advance or the candidate will be denied an examination will be looked at.*

Regional Councilor report – Keith Bibbey (not present). Report submitted. Garry Yamashita comments that it is important that Judo Alberta continue to monitor and promote the AWG as we look forward to 2010.

VP Prairies Judo Canada – Mike Tamura. Mike adds that Guy Sunada has been appointed as Chair of the national referee committee, replacing Joe Serianni. Mr. Jim Kojima replaces Tina Takahashi as chair of the grading committee.

Elections:

President: Paul Hachey nominated by Ken Kindrachuk, seconded by Mark Hicks.  
No other nominations. Paul Hachey accepted by acclamation.

VP Admin: Jay Hitchen nominated by Darcy Adams, seconded by Mike Campbell.  
Gord Okamura nominated by Michelle Thompson, seconded by Ken Kindrachuk.  
Garry Yamashita appoints Keith McKee and Ben Kwan as scrutineers for the election.  
Gord Okamura wins election for position of VP Admin.

Secretary: Ben Kwan nominated by Mike Tamura, seconded by Scott Allen.  
No other nominations. Ben Kwan accepted by acclamation.

Motion by Allan Sattin, seconded by Torrie Johal that the ballots be destroyed.

Special thanks expressed by Patti Gallace on behalf of Judo Alberta, for the dedicated service given by Mr. Garry Yamashita as he concludes his final term as President.

Volunteer recognition awards handed out by Patti Gallace.

Richard Patching moves meeting be adjourned.