

Minutes
Board of Directors Meeting
Alberta Taekwondo Association
October 7, 2024 – Virtual

Attendance:

- Joo-han Cha, Harvey Strome, Se'era Anstruther, Kichul Nam, Linda Kwan, Derek Sadler, Cecilia Lee, Shelley Vettese-Baert

Regrets:

- Terry DeFreitas, Kevin Olsen, Tracy Bonertz

Guest:

- Asad Chaudhary

1. Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order by Grandmaster Cha at 8:04pm.
- Master Strome asked that the meeting be recorded. There were no objections. The meeting was recorded.

2. Additions to the Agenda

- Ethics Policy (Master Kwan)

3. Approval of Minutes from Previous BOD Meeting

- **Motion by Master Strome that the Minutes from the September 9, 2024 Board of Directors Meetings be accepted by the Board of Directors. Seconded. Carried.**

4. Directors' Reports

- Mr. Chaudhary delivered the Referee report:
 - A Kyorugi seminar is being planned for Calgary this fall, date TBD.
 - Sport Poomsae rules have been updated as of June, 2024. The ATA will need to provide a seminar to update the referees and this is being planned.
 - The new divisions and pattern draws will be used at the upcoming KH Min Tournament, but we will not use the updated scoring rules.
 - 31 referees have signed up for the KH Min Tournament with 17 referee hotel rooms being provided by the ATA.
 - clarification is sought by the referee committee regarding host club honorariums
- Master Lee reported that the eligible Junior athlete did not participate in Junior Worlds due to an injury.
- Master Vettese-Baert updated the Board on the recent poomsae seminars in Edmonton and Calgary. There were 29 Edmonton and 45 Calgary participants. Participants were updated on the new poomsae rules.

5. Irregularities in Email Vote

- **Master Anstruther motioned to rescind the email vote of September 12th, which approved the Calgary Open Tournament (Red Phoenix) as a sanctioned event. Seconded. Carried.**
- Grandmaster Cha left the meeting for the discussion regarding sanction of his event.

- Motion by Master Sadler that the Calgary Open Tournament (Red Phoenix) be approved as a sanctioned event. Seconded. Carried.

6.2025 Alberta Open and AGM Dates

- Inquiries will be made to various Edmonton venues for availability for the 2025 AB Open and AGM Dates: Preferred dates April 5/6, 12/13 or 26/27.

7.Event Sanction Policy

- Grandmaster Nam presented his proposal for the event sanction policy.

- Motion by Master Strome that the ATA increase sanction fees to \$5000.00 per event with the ATA assuming responsibility for referee honorarium payments. Seconded. Defeated.

- Motion by Master Sadler that the ATA increase sanction fees to \$5500.00 per event with the ATA assuming responsibility for referee honorarium payments. Seconded. Carried.

8.Coaching Standards Policy

- Master Sadler presented the rationale for enforcing the Coaching Standards Policy, which has been in effect since 2017.

- Master Sadler left the meeting while the Board discussed enforcing the Coaching Standards Policy.

- Motion by Master Strome that the ATA enforce its Coaching Standards Policy, effective immediately. Seconded. Carried. Lanyards (with photo ID) will be produced for the upcoming tournament year, with distribution to coaches at the KH Min Tournament.

9.iACT Request for Support

- Master Kwan provided information on the upcoming January event. The Board had further questions about the event and Master Kwan will provide clarification at the next meeting.

10.Dojang Membership Policy Update

- Master Lee invited discussion with regards to updating the ATA Dojang Membership Policy to restrict club proximity to existing member clubs. Master Lee and Master Anstruther will work on a draft policy and present to the BOD at the next meeting.

11.BB Team Training and Spring Youth/Cadet Training Camp

- Master Lee will confer with member clubs to determine dates for these events.

12.Website Development Update

- Once revised quotes have been received, Master Anstruther and Cheryl will work together to determine which website designer we will use for the new website and have the chosen designer proceed with development.

13. Complaint Regarding Instructor Management Techniques

- Master Anstruther briefed the Board on the results of the latest Ethics case. She will confer with the Ethics Committee regarding the best approach to conclude this case.

- Master Anstruther also reiterated that, due to privacy concerns, only the Ethics Committee will have access to the names of individuals who are before the Committee.

14. Interim Director Nominations

- Two individuals (Praveen Pillay and Jim Rennie) were nominated for the vacant Director-

at-Large position, whose term which will expire at the next AGM. Board members were asked to consider nominating additional individuals and the Board will vote at the next meeting to fill the vacant Director position.

15. Next Meeting Date

- November 18, 2024 at 8:00pm

16. Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 10:40pm.