

Minutes
Board of Directors Meeting
Alberta Taekwondo Association
April 15, 2024 – Virtual

Attendance:

- Su Hwan Chung, James Rennie, Joo-han Cha, Harvey Strome, Linda Kwan, Cindy Richardson, Terry DeFreitas, Kevin Olsen, Tracy Bonertz

Regrets:

- Shaune-Marie Hiebert, Ben Couturier, Kevin Mejia

1. Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order by Grandmaster Chung at 8:00pm.

2. Additions to the Agenda

- ATA Bylaw Amendments

3. Approval of Minutes from Previous BOD Meeting

- **Motion by Master Strome that the Minutes from the March 11, 2024 Board of Directors Meeting be accepted by the Board of Directors. Seconded.**

4. Directors' Reports

None

5. 2024 Alberta Open

- Master Strome presented to the Board an estimate of income/expenses for the 2024 Alberta Open. Master Richardson corrected the estimated referee expenses for the 29 referees currently signed up (due to increased travel and hotel costs).
- BOD members were assigned tasks/equipment to bring to the event.
- more volunteers are needed - a post will be put on Facebook and Calgary clubs will be contacted by BOD members.
- Master Richardson recommended that color belt sparring trees be made at the rings; Master Rennie and Master Bonertz will assist. The BOD approved this method and an announcement will be made to ensure athletes are aware of the need to be at the venue at 9:15am.
- poomsae medals will be given at the ring upon division completion; sparring medals will be presented at podiums outside the rings.
- the ATA will provide coaching certification badges and referees will confirm coaches' status prior to sparring matches. A list of DC and AI certified/trained coaches will be obtained from Taekwondo Canada.

5. Booking Future Events

- Master Richardson suggested that the ATA should look at booking sanctioned events one or two years into the future.
- BOD agrees that this is difficult due to not knowing Taekwondo Canada's timeline in order to avoid conflicting events.

- ATA sanctioning policy will need to be reviewed and revised to ensure that the ATA is not financially over-extending itself in support of sanctioned events.

6. AGM Update

- Master Strome reiterated that the 2024 AGM will be held under the current bylaws. If the membership approves the proposed bylaw changes, the filing will be expedited (10 - 14 days) in order to implement the amendments immediately.
- Master Couturier has resigned from the BOD. His position will be up for election at the AGM, but for a one year term only.
- numerous advance nominations have been received (deadline to nominate is April 20).
- the three proposed bylaw amendments will be voted on separately.

7. ATA Budget Update

- Master Strome presented a budget update, confirming that the ATA is spending within its approved budget.

8. Casino Reminder

- Our Casino date is June 23 and 24, 2024. A volunteer reminder will be sent to membership after the conclusion of the Alberta Open.

9. Next Meeting Date

- Monday, April 29th at 8:00pm.

8. Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 9:15pm