

**Minutes**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**Alberta Taekwondo Association**  
**August 30, 2023 – Virtual**

**Attendance:**

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

**Regrets:**

- Shaune-Marie Hiebert

**Guests:**

- Shawn Arsenault

**1. Call to Order**

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

**2. Additions to the Agenda**

- Alberta Colleges Athletic Conference Application

**3. Approval of Minutes from Previous BOD Meeting**

- **Motion by Master Strome that the Minutes from the June 8, 2023 Board of Directors Meeting be accepted by the Board of Directors. Seconded.**

**4. Directors' Reports**

Secretary General - Master Strome updated the Board on the following items from Taekwondo Canada:

*Taekwondo provincial safe sport policies*  
*Proposal for Kukkiwon Dan/Poom examiners*  
*National Championships, Olympic Qualifier Nov 17, Canada Open*  
*Upcoming mandated by-law changes*

**5. Korean Consul General Cup Update (Master Cha)**

- Opening Ceremonies are being finalized
- Medals have arrived
- More ring side volunteers are needed for the 2:00 - 6:00pm shift
- We will run 5 rings unless there are over 600 participants; fitofan will have one person from their company per ring to help with system
- Contract has been signed with the Grandmaster Society
- Para-poomsae division will be added
- Master Richardson and Master Cha will assign three volunteers for Supervisory Board

**6. Update on Korea Training Camp/Competition (Master Cha)**

- Eleven athletes (9 funded, 2 self-funded) and two coaches attended the events in Korea
- One gold, one silver and two bronze medals resulting from the tournament
- Athletes trained with three different teams in Seoul

- Proposal for 2024 with one additional coach and two more senior athletes, with a selection date of March, 2024

**7. Request for Reimbursement/New Referee Policy**

- Master Richardson presented a request for reimbursement for Referee Seminars held in the 2022 - 2023 fiscal year. Expenses include: hotel, travel and instruction fees.
- **Motion by Master Strome that the ATA reimburse Master Richardson for the Referee Seminar expenses. Seconded. Approved.**
- Master Richardson presented an updated Referee policy which was approved. Policy to be updated on the ATA website.

**8. Revisions to Kyorugi Point System**

- Updated policy presented to the Board and approved. Policy to be updated on the ATA website.

**9. Coaching Requirements Proposal**

- Master Rennie presented a preliminary policy regarding coaching color belts. Master Mejia, Dr. DeFreitas and Master Strome will work with Master Rennie to further develop the policy and present at the next Board meeting.

**10. Book Purchase Proposal**

- **Motion by Master Rennie to purchase four books at \$60.00 each (Martial Meditation: Philosophy and the Essence of the Martial Arts by Ron Dziwenka, Ph. D.) to distribute to the Board. Seconded. Approved.**

**11. Winter Training Camp Proposal**

- Master Strome presented a proposal from KH Min Taekwondo to hold a Winter Training Camp, featuring Master Carla Bacco and open to 50 participants from Alberta. Master Strome will ask the organizer what amount of support they are looking for. To be further discussed at the next Board meeting.

**12. AB Taekwondo Application for Sanctioned Event**

- Master Rennie will coordinate a date with AB Taekwondo that will not conflict with other ATA events. The Board agreed to sanction their event.

**13. Alberta Colleges Athletic Conference**

- Master Couturier has been working with the ACAC (Alberta Colleges Athletic Conference) to approve Taekwondo as a college sport, submission to be made by November. To be discussed at the next Board meeting.

**14. Budgets for 2023 - 2024 Fiscal Year**

- Master Bonertz thanked the Board members for their budget submissions.
- Budgets will be put together on one spreadsheet to present to the Board by mid-September.

**15. Next Meeting Date**

- TBD

**16. Adjournment**

- Meeting adjourned at 9:30pm.