

04 Mar 2023

OJA meeting minutes

Meeting called to order at 4:30 Pm.

- Personnel present:

Ed Lynch (OJA President),

Chris Vanlandingham (OJA Vice President) (Tulsa Judo)

Wes Johnson (OJA Treasurer) (USA Stars Judo),

Donald Sticklely,

Arron & Candie Radcliff,

Jim Walker (Sticklely Judo),

John Carter (Sooner Judo),

Mike (OJA head Referee)

Rebekah Taylor (OJA Referee) (USA Stars Judo),

Tim Davis (FBC Harrah Judo)

Accept previous meeting minutes?

No minutes to accept.

- No Finance report available

Introduction of new board members:

- The newly elected OJA board members: (President) ED Lynch, (Vice President) Chris Vanlandingham, (Treasurer) Wes Johnson, (Secretary) Mike Ballestero, (not present)

-Rebekah made a motion was made to do whatever it takes to become a non-profit organization.

Motion passed unanimously. Rebekah Taylor and Ed Lynch will be working on the new OJA constitution.

-Candie Radcliff- Subject was brought up about adding on-line payments/donations using an on-line service, Wes will attempt to add an online payment option to our account.

-Topics for referees: Mike Taylor brought up we need to have more referees

certified to the national

level referee. All agreed, Donald stated he would be back on the national level referee list by June 2023.

Mike & Rebekah Taylor and Chris are already on the national level list.

- Referee shirts: Rebekah made a motion for the OJA referee shirts to be plain white polo shirts and should be purchased by the referee; they shouldn't be bought by OJA. Motion passed.

- Mike Taylor said he would like to rewrite the state referee test, possibility of using the Texas referee state test or parts of the test. Motion passed.

-New certification test should start in June 2023.

- Promotion board members: Tim stated he contacted everyone on the last promotion board members none of them wanted to stay on the board. The board has Tim Davis (Promotion board chairman), Pat

Burris, Jack Hicks, Chris Vanlandingham and Dr. Holloway (Honorary). Tim Stated we need higher rank on the board to promote to higher ranks.

- Tim ask the coaches not to send him more than 5 promotions at one time. He also asked for the coaches to proofread them to make sure they are legible.

- Motion was made to raise the cost of promotions to Junior ranks - \$5.00 and Senior ranks - \$10.00. which means OJA will receive \$2.00 per junior promotion and \$7.00 per senior. \$3.00 of each promotion certificate will be used for certificate supplies, this will take effect on April 1 st , 2023, motion passed

New business discussion:

OJA needs to align it's spending with the goals of the organization.

Today we gave our \$200 for the largest club award. Next year we would like to make the amount \$500. No objections.

Over the past month we have hosted two clinics to raise money for athletes.

Today we handed out \$200 to Karlee Carouth for training expenses.

Ed Lynch proposed that we set up a small committee to oversee the allocation of training funds.

The basic discussion was around what might qualify an athlete for state funding.

Rebekah Taylor has agreed to put effort into creating a proposal of what this group might look like and what percentage of the state budget might be requested.

Ed Lynch proposed we fund a video contest to promote the OJA. Assistance was requested on putting together reasonable metrics on scoring the entries for awards.

We will try to have a flier out before the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 5:20 PM