

UNITED STATES JUDO FEDERATION, INC.
BOARD OF EXAMINERS MEETING

9:00 a.m., Thursday, MAY 10, 2018
Hyatt Place, Austin, TX

NOTE: Each Yudanshakai President is to certify to the USJF Secretary (c/o the National Office) the identity and address of each Yudanshakai Delegate and Alternate to the Board of Directors and the Board of Examiners.

Registration of Delegates and Distribution of Delegate Packets and Ballot (immediately prior to meeting)

I. CALL TO ORDER, SEATING OF DELEGATES

(Executive Committee acts as a committee on credentials)

Delegates:

Matsuo Takeda/Chairperson	Cal Kitaura/Central Coast	Janet Johnson/Niagara
Gene Nakashima/50th State	Dan Kikuchi/Central Coast	Tom Sheehan/Konan
Robert Brink/50 th State	Frances Glaze/Konan	Mike Purcell/Northwest
Low Dong/Nanka	John Schaedler/Northwest	Keith Watanabe/Hokka
Tom Jay/Chuka	Harry Kaneakua/Hawaii	Kuniko Takeuchi/Daiheigen
Eiko Shepard/Chicago	Mark Muranaka/Hawaii	Bryan Matsuoka/Daihegen
Doug Tono/Chicago	Dr. Larry Tsutsui/San Joaquin	Miki Takemori/Shufu
Dale Thomson/Florida	Hayward Nishioka/Nanka	Roy Englert/Shufu
William Caldwell/Pac Southwest	Johnny Guerrero/Pac Southwest	

Observers:

Carla Martinez, Phyllis Imada, Vaughn Imada, Delynn Purcell, Neil Simon, Julie Koyama, John Floyd, eith Chu, Karen Nagai, Jason Uno, Julie Sumida, Mitchell Palacio, Terri Flint, Terri Waibel, Karen Nagai,

A quorum being present, Chairman Mac Takeda called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

A. Welcome by Chairperson

II. APPROVE MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 16, 2017, BOARD OF EXAMINERS MEETINGS

A motion made to approve NOVEMBER 16, 2017 (Irving) and second. The motion passed on a voice vote.

III. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Promotion Committee

Chairman Hayward Nishioka presented the following Report:

Promotion Committee Meeting Minutes

6:00 p.m., Wednesday, MAY 9, 2018 Mariott Austin, Austin, TX

A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order by Chairman Hayward Nishioka at 6:00 p.m.

Committee Members in Attendance: (10) Takeda - Hokka, Kitaura – Central Coast, Higashi - Hudson, Kaneakua - Hawaii, Takeuchi - Daiheigen, Purcell – Northwest, Takemori - Shufu, Hanashiro - 50th State, Shepard - Chicago, Johnson – Niagara, Brink- ex officio 50th State, Sheehan - Konan

Ex Officio Member in Attendance: Robert Brink- 50th State

Observers in Attendance: (9) Gene Nakashima, Julie Koyama, Larry Tsutsui, Mark Muranaka, Scott Morifuji, Terri Waibel, Low Dong, Richard Nakatsu

The following decisions were made by the Promotion Committee in regards to the promotion applications that were submitted to the USJF National Office:

Name	Yudanshakai	Rank Appl'd For	Moved/Seconded by	Decision	Comments
Kendall, Harry	San Joaquin	Yodan	Takeda / Kaneakua	Withdrawn	
Thibodeau, Paul A.	Rokushu	Yodan	Takeda / Kaneakua	Pass	
Auvert, Enrique	Florida	Godan	Takeda / Kaneakua	Pass	
Tello, Geraldo	Florida State	Godan	Kaneakua / Takeda	Fail	Not enough time-in-grade
Knight, Bruce A.	PJSA	Rokudan	NA	Withdrawn	
Kuroyama, Gary	Hawaii	Rokudan	Purcell/Kaneakua	Pass	
Nakamura, Steve S.	Nanka	Rokudan	Takeda / Kaneakua	Pass	
Purcell, Delynn D.	Northwest	Rokudan	Hanashiro / Kaneakua	Pass	
Sugiyama, Jake M.	PJSA	Rokudan	Kaneakua / Hanashiro	Pass	
Whilden, Peggy J.	Shufu	Rokudan	Kaneakua / Takeda	Pass	
Dong, Low	Nanka	Shichidan	Kaneakua / Hanashiro	Pass	
Wee Gerald E.	Konan	Shichidan	Kaneakua / Hanashiro	Pass	
Imoto, Sam	Chuka	Hachidan	Kaneakua / Takeda	Pass	
Makimoto, Haruo	Daiheigen	Hachidan	NA	Withdrawn	
Takemori, Edwin	Shufu	Hachidan	Kaneakua / Takeda	Pass	
Kajita, Joseph	Nanka	Kudan	Brink/Kaneakua	Pass	
Imamura, Haruo (Posthumous)	San Joaquin	Judan	Brink/Kaneakua	Pass	

IV. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. Shodan Requirement (M. Takeda)

A. Requirement for Teachers/Coaches certification withdrawn for competitors to Shodan.

B. Look at Statistics with USJF database to look at reason for low Shodan promotions nationwide. A report to be given upon completion.

2. Kudan

A. Appointment of H. Nishioka, J. Johnson and R. Nakatsu to Ad Hoc subcommittee to look at Kudan criteria.

3. Improving our promotion system (H. Nishioka)

A. Giving Head Dojo Club Instructor (sandan and above) sole authority to promote to shodan after reviewing statistics (bypass yudanshakai promotion board). Discussion to continue.

4. Form 20 revision (M. Purcell) – still in the works.

V. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. Clarification from USJF for Female competitors wearing scarf “hijab” on head – Discussion on certain non-USJF tournaments accepted.- appointed ad hoc committee (B. Brink/R. Elngler). In the meantime, decision is case-by-case by tournament director.

B. SANCTION – issues with sanctioning with “scrimmage” between clubs – issue to be reviewed

C. ELECTION

1. Keep current BOE individuals (M. Takeda (Chair)/M. Purcell (Vice chair)/R, Nakatsu (Secretary). Motion and seconded and BOE delegates.

VI. **NEXT MEETING**

A. USJF **FALL 2018** meetings

B. Fall Meetings: Dates & Locations **(TBD)**

VII. **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion to adjourn was made and a second was established. The motion passed on a voice vote and Chairman Takeda adjourned the meeting at **10:46 a.m.** MTN