

UNITED STATES JUDO FEDERATION, INC.
BOARD OF EXAMINERS MEETING
9:00 a.m., Friday, November 9, 2018
Double Tree Seattle Airport Hotel, Seattle, TX

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER, SEATING OF DELEGATES

(Executive Committee acts as a committee on credentials)

Delegates:

Matsuo Takeda/Chairperson	Robert Brink/50th State	Gene Nakashima/50th State
Calvert Kitaura/Central Coast	Mitchell Palacio/Central Coast	Bryan Matsuoka/Daiheigen
Dr. Kuniko Takeuchi/Daiheigen	Harry Kaneakua/Hawaii	Jensen Yoshimoto/Hawaii
S. Keith Watanabe/Hokka	Bret Gertje/Intermountain	Michael Mooney/Konan
Thomas Sheehan/Konan	Keith Chu/Nanka	Low Dong/Nanka
Janet Johnson/Niagara	Michael Purcell/Northwest	Julie Koyama/Northwest
William Caldwell/Pacific SW	John Guerrero/Pacific SW	Dr. Larry Tsutsui/San Joaquin
Roy Englert/Shufu	J. Miki Takemori/Shufu	

Observers:

Phyllis Imada, Vaughn Imada, Julie Koyama, Carla Martin, Scott Morifuji, Dr. Richard Nakatsu, Karen Nagai, Delynn Purcell, Rob Schab, Neil Simon, Terri Waibel

A quorum being present, Chairman Mac Takeda called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

I. WELCOME BY CHAIRPERSON

II. APPROVE MINUTES OF MAY 10, 2018, BOARD OF EXAMINERS MEETINGS

Minutes of the MAY 10, 2018 (Roundrock) approved and second. The motion passed on a voice vote.

III. PROMOTION COMMITTEE REPORT

Promotion Committee Meeting Minutes

4:00 p.m., Wednesday, November 8, 2018 Double Tree, Seattle, WA

A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order by Chairman Hayward Nishioka at 4:07 p.m.

Moment of silence for those who have passed since our last meeting

Committee Members in Attendance: (12) Ray Imada-50th State, Mitch Palico-Central Coast, Kuniko Takeuchi- Daiheigen, Harry Kaneakua-Hawaii, Hayward Nishioka-Nanka, Mike Purcell-Northwest, Miki Takemori-Shufu, Matsuo Takeda-Hokka, Janet Johnson-Niagara, Bill Coldwell-PSJA, Tom Sheehan-Konan.

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

Observers in Attendance: (20)

Bryan Matsuoka- Daiheigen, Diane Jackson- Shufu, Gene Nakashima-50th State, Scott Morifuji- Hawaii, Low Dong-Nanka, Keith Chu-Nanka, Reela Ascen-50th State, Bob Scaab-Northwest, Delynn Purcell-Northwest, Richard Nakatsu- Hawaii, Frances Glaze-Konan, Tom Jay-Chuka, Johnny Guerrero-PSJA, Baest George, Intermountain, John Floyd-Shufu, Julie Koyama-Northwest, Karen Nagai-Northwest, Bert Mackey-Northwest, Larry Tsutsui-San Joaquin, and Jensen Yoshimoto-Hawaii.

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

Rank /Candidate	Motion	2nd	Pass	Fail	Reason Tabled/Failed
<u>Yondan</u>					
<u>Kendall, Harry -San Joaquin</u>	4	11		X	Character Issue
<u>Rokudan</u>					
<u>Hamaoka, Glenn</u>			X		
<u>Hanaoka, Gosato-Chuka</u>	10	4	X		
<u>Hatanaka, Joyce-Chuka</u>					Withdrawn
<u>Honda, Craig-Chuka</u>					Withdrawn
<u>Lucas, Jean-Pierre-Hudson</u>	11	4	X		
<u>Nakamura, Tom-Nanka</u>	4	3	X		
<u>Okuhara, Clifford- 50th State</u>	4	3	X		
<u>West, James-Nanka</u>	10	11	X		
<u>Shichidan</u>					
<u>Muranaka, Mark-Hawaii</u>	4	3	X		
<u>Schneider, Don-Florida State</u>	10	4	X		
<u>Judan</u>					
<u>Hal Sharp</u>					Tabled

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. 9 dan promotion criteria: BOE motion passed, approved, and sent on to BOD with amendment to eliminate time-in-grade requirement AND add publication/research/technical area of judo as a requirement.
- B. Still working on obtaining data from the USJF database to determine how many members can become shodans. No one else except Bob Fukuda has access to the database.
- C. USJF website – Webmaster still working on changes
 - 1. Form 20 still in the works to add Self Defense Certification time in grade reductions. 5% Trainer; 3% Teacher and 1% Assistant Teacher. AND overall revision of the Form 20
 - 2. Junior and Regional Referee Development Program approved by BOE motion passed and approved and sent on to BOD.
 - 3. 10 dan criteria established but not reflected on website. Will be deferred to the Executive Director for upload to USJF website.

V. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Head wear (Hijab) for Muslim females will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis based on the safety and fairness standard determined by tournament head referee and tournament referee committee. BOE motion passed and approved and to be sent on to BOD
- B. Sanctioning for club scrimmage is highly recommended by USJF. Contact USJF office for sanctioning rulers.
- C. USJF Junior and Senior promotion criteria presented and for review by YDKs until next Spring 2019 meeting.
- D. Removal of the USJF Teacher's Certification or Coach's Certification requirement from the competitor requirement for Shodan. BOE motion passed and approved and to be passed on to BOD
- E. Five Star Dojo Certification Program to be presented at 2019 spring meeting.
- F. Development of Form 20 for 9 dan and 10 dan.in progress
- G. US Kodokan Promotion - Past shiai history is required. No heavy emphasis on kata for upper senior ranks.

- H. 6-dan additional requirement for promotion:
 - a. Exemplary moral character.
 - b. Certifications (i.e. teaching, coaching, self-defense, kata, referee),
 - c. Attending/Sharing skills beyond dojo (i.e. sanctioned clinics);

THEREFORE, kata and time-in-grade is not enough. Effective after Spring 2019 meeting. BOE motion passed and approved and to be passed on to BOD 1 abstention

- I. Shodan Motion for Mini Dojo – TABLE motion to spring meeting.
- J. Certification to be a USJF club USJF:
 - a. Need at least shodan.
 - b. Safesport /concussion training
 - c. Background check

IV. **NEXT MEETING**

- A. USJF Spring 2019 meeting TBD

V. **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 12:30 p.m. Pacific