



USJF Promotion Committee  
Agenda  
July 30, 2023  
Teleconference

Topic: Promotion Committee

Time: Jul 30, 2023 9:00am Hawaii, Alaskan, 11:00, Pacific 12:00, Mountain 1:00, Central 2:00, Eastern 3:00

Join Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 843 0748 3074

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Committee Member:

Ray Imada-50th State, Cal Kitaura-Central Coast, David Matsumoto-Daiheigen, Richard Nakatsu-Hawaii, Anthony Catanese-Hudson, Matsuo Takeda-Hokka, Joshua Kindelberger-Intermountain, Tom Sheehan-Konan, Hayward Nishioka-Nanka Janet Johnson-Niagara, Michael Purcell-Northwest, Larry Tsutsui-San Joaquin, Kevin Tamai-Shufu, Mitchell Palacio-Ex-officio, Robert Brink-Ex-officio.

Quorum

1. Call to order by acting Michael Purcell
2. Moment of silence for those that have passed.
3. Motion to adopt the agenda.
4. Motion to approve the minutes 4/14/23
5. Chairman Nishioka remarks.
6. Janet's ad-hoc committee on USJF contribution on promotion. **Attached**
7. USJF Policy and Procedures motion by Josh Kindelberger. Continued in the works. Below in previous minutes
8. Motion: To use the new excel sheet to be used by National Office for Promotion Committee for the candidates. **Attached**
9. Ryan Rubis possible Kodokan Shodan promotion.
10. Motion to BoD that Lewis Palomeque passing his Godan promotion will be back dated to 4/14/23.



National Promotion Committee Meeting

**MINUTES DRAFT**

Boise, Id

4/14/2023

Committee Member Attendees:

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Quorum

- 11. Call to order by acting Chair Kevin Tamai **3:00 pm Boise, ID time**
- 12. Moment of silence for those that have passed.
- 13. Motion to adopt the agenda. **Request to change item re conflicts of interest to after Chairman Nishioka remarks**
- 14. Motion to approve the minutes 2/12/23 - **approved**
- 15. Chairman Nishioka remarks. - **presented**
- 16. Ad-Hoc Committee on Contributions update. Chair Janet Johnson, Anthony Catanese & Josh Kindelberger - - **presented with discussion on whether it's a recommendation or a requirement. Any feedback must be done by May 15, 2023 for action by the committee thereafter.**
- 17. Review of the candidates. **NEW excel sheet to be used by National Office for Promotion Candidates.**
- 18. USJF Policy and Procedures motion by Josh Kindelberger attached. **Continued in the works**
- 19. Generic discussion of avoiding conflicts of interest. David Matsumoto **In the works. To be discussed at a later PC meeting**
- 20. OTHER **added – YDK promotion authority of those YDK whose numbers have declined. To be forwarded to the BOE for action.**
- 21. OTHER – **Hawaii submitting form 20 for Terri Waible for honorary Shodan.**
- 22. OTHER – **10-dan promotion - Waiving paper requirements for 10-dan - Yosh Uchida and Hayward Nishioka – Does NOT pass. 7-4 ; 1 no vote; chair cannot vote**
- 23. OTHER – 10 dan promotion – Follow procedure with form 20
- 24. Motion to adjournment. **5:40pm Boise, ID time**

Rank-Candidate-YDK	Motion	2nd	Pass	Fail	Reason Postponed/Failed
<b>Yodan</b> Marcos Marmol Floride State			X		<b>Approved pending background check and administrative issues – 1 disapprove</b>
Juan Guerrero Pacific Southwest			X		



<b><u>Godan</u></b> Antonio Lang Florida State					<b>WITHDRAW</b>
Sergio Suguieda Florida State					<b>WITHDRAW</b>
Richard Imamura San Joaquin			X		
Robert Imamura San Joaquin			X		
Gustavo Sanchez San Joaquin			X		
<b><u>Rokudan</u></b> Henry Kaku Central Coast					<b>WITHDRAW</b>
Julio Rodriguez Florida State			X		
Masataka Hirayama Hawaii			X		
Rodney Imamura San Joaquin			X		
<b><u>Shichidan</u></b> Richard Long Central Coast					<b>Discussed at end of meeting YDK to approve for PC meeting to vote Motion – C Kitaura second M Takeda 3 - Yes 1 - abstention 9 - NO</b>
Myra Kirk-Goode Chuka			X		
<b><u>Hachidan</u></b> Edward Hanashiro 50th State					<b>Motion to Postpone -1 opposition</b>
Ray Imada 50th State					<b>WITHDRAW</b>



# USJF Policy and Procedure

## Promotion Process

### Form 20 Submitted to National Office

- Must be Postdated by the deadline.
- National Office reviews submitted paperwork.
- Passed onto PC committee:
  - Documents in a spreadsheet:
    - Certifications
      - Current certifications
      - Any Deficiencies in certifications
    - Background check
      - Current
      - Deficient
- Form improperly completed:
  - National Office contacts respective Yudanshakai **and candidate** with a 30-day deadline to return the completed form to National Office.
  - Form will be sent to PC for promotional consideration as the deficiencies are corrected or not corrected.
- PC committee has authority to discuss and evaluate each candidate for promotional consideration.
- PC will document deficiencies in the promotion and contact the National office. National office will contact the Yudanshakai and candidate, listing any deficiencies.
  - A deadline will be stated for the deficiencies to be corrected
  - All post PC action should be handled by the NO, including items needed from the YDKs and candidate
- National Office will review to ensure deficiencies have been corrected.
- National Office will generate a certificate for promotion.