

USA Karate Board of Directors Meeting July 13, 2016 Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

A meeting of the Board of Directors of USA Karate was held on July 13, 2016 at the 2016 US National Championships in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Directors Present

Mr. John DiPasquale

Mr. Mathew Ralph

Mr. Doug Stein

Mr. Terrance Hill

Mr. Brian Mertel

Mr. Roger Jarrett

Mr. Doug Jepperson

Mr. Alex Miladi

Directors Absent

Cheryl Murphy

Also Present:

Mr. Phil Hampel

Ms. Jessica Luna

Call to Order

Board President, Mr. John DiPasquale, called the meeting to order at 4:10pm and Jessica Luna recorded the minutes. A quorum of directors was present and the meeting, having been duly convened, was ready to proceed with business.

Visit Pittsburgh

Staff came in and welcomed our group to the city.

CEO Report

- Financials
 - o Jan-Jun 2016 P&L
 - o 2016 Budget vs. Actuals 2016
- 2016 US Nationals

- o The Union has been a bit of a challenge in Pittsburgh but we have been able to work it out financially
- o Competitors
 - 2014-1329
 - 2015-1434
 - 2016 as of 7/13 at 4:00pm 1375
- Jr. Athlete must have a passport to compete we are excepting receipts for in process passports otherwise we are making no exceptions
- International Coaches cannot coach at this event without being compliant with SafeSport and a member of the federation, we are making no exceptions
- Sponsors
 - Local Host Dustin Baldis brought in these local sponsors for \$31.000:
 - Highmark Blue Cross & Blue Shield- \$10,000
 - Vista Pointe Wealth Management/ DT Gruelle Speciality Logistics- \$10,000
 - Dicks Sporting Goods- \$6,000
 - GNC- \$5,000
 - After working with Adidas for over 2 years Mr Hampel brought Adidas Karate in as a \$20,000 signature sponsorship with naming rights.
- Event Changes for Non-Elite Division
 - Competition will be 1.5 Minute
 - Simultaneous Kata Advanced divisions will do individual kata in the medal rounds
 - CEO, Chief Referee, and Tournament Director made this decision per the rules of competition. Board President was advised during the process.
 - Referee room will be for referees and staff to raise the experience for the officials
 - Volunteers will be given tickets for the in house concessions
 - Coaches Room Sponsored by Dustin Baldis will have coffee and light snacks for the coaches
- 2017 US Nationals
 - There is a bid out from Salt lake in which the board has agreed to review
 - The board would eventually like to be two years in advance with bids and rotate between east, west, and Midwest
- Magazine has launched on the USANKF website
- Possible New Logo-artwork reviewed will send to a graphic designer for refinement
- Referee Support

- Increased the per diem \$5/day
 - WKF AA \$70/Day
 - WKF- \$60/day
 - PKF \$50/day
 - USANKF \$40/day
- Added \$10/signature event to help cover the background Check expense
 Added \$50/night hotel for WKF AA who officiate all days of the signature events
- Sent this information out to all referees
- Athlete Development
 - 3 Senior team camps camps OTC, Dallas, NY
 - International Camp- Team Canada \$300/athlete support for airfare
 - Each camp needs to have a specific purpose and we need to build camps of off athlete feedback
 - We need to create opportunities for our athletes to succeed

Executive Session 5:30pm Discussed legal matters

7:01 pm

Motion to Adjourn Mr. John DiPasquale

Second: Mr. Tokey Hill Approved: Unanimously Adjournment-Mr. DiPasquale