

USAJudo Kata Committee Meeting
September 15, 2024, 11:00pm – 12:00; 10am CT; 9MT; 8 PT
MEETING NOTES

I. CALL TO ORDER, SEATING OF DELEGATES –

- A. Welcome by Chair. verify committee quorum (>50%)
- B. Present: Diane Jackson, Eiko Shepherd sensei, Claudia Smith, Frances Glaze, Karen Whilden, Carla Martin, Theo Schwalm, Barb Shimizu
- C. Absent: Lisa C, K. Takeuchi sensei
- D. Observers: Margie K, Karen N, Alain W, Alan P, Ken D, Robin R, Rob S, Nicolas V

II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

- A. Motion to approve agenda – Carla; Frances

III. MINUTES FOR APPROVAL - n/a

IV. BUSINESS

- A. October 6 (Sunday) – Next monthly kata discussion – requests from athletes?
- B. Hannah Martin – new USAJudo social media / communications
- C. Thanks to all... Successful USA Kata events:
 - **7 / 13 – 14** – Nage no Kata (Sat) and KDK Goshin Jutsu (Sun) clinic with **Andre Parent** (coach, French national kata team), [International Judo Center](#), Flushing/Queens, NY
 - **8 / 9-11** – USJF Kata Conference: Ju no kata and Koshiki no kata with Wolfgang Dax-Romswinkel and Ulla Loosen (Ju no kata world champion team), San Diego State U, CA, POC: Bill Caldwell & Ben Ott.

D. 2024 PJC delegation

Division Kata	First name tori	Last name tori	first name Uke	Last name uke
Goshin-jutsu Senior/Open	Douglas	Newcomer	Fiston	Kabuya
Goshin-jutsu Senior/Open	Lisa	Capriotti	Robert	Gouthro
Ju-no-kata Senior/Open	Lori	Latimer	Christine	Levine
Katame-no-kata Senior/Open	Douglas	Newcomer	Nicolas	Valcik
Katame-no-kata Senior/Open	Mary	Wakabayashi	Pamela	Moye
Kime-no-kata Senior / Open	Lisa	Capriotti	Robert	Gouthro
Nage-no-kata Senior / Open (2 nd kata)	Nicolas	Valcik	Atteeb	Javed

first name	last name/ surname	PJC role
Einhardt	Schmidt	Judge Candidate
Barbara	Houston Shimizu	Judge
Alain	Wilkinson	Judge
Karen	Nagai	Judge
Carla	Martin	Judge

Takeuchi	Kuniko	Coach (head) & PJC kata committee member
Theodore	Schwalm	Coach & Team Manager
Diane	Jackson	Coach
Glaze	Frances	Coach

E. 2024 World IJF

- a) First time in USA. **Unofficially**, Host country generally tries to have competition.
- a) Five teams under normal criteria
 - b) Reached out to several Sr National teams who qualified for PJC.
 - (1) Mary & Pam – Katame no kata – accepted
 - (a) Went to Kodokan this summer
 - (b) Going to 2024 PJC
 - (c) Working with Eiko
 - (2) Wendy & Miki – Ju no kata - sent video. working with Ken Durand. Another IJF/PJC – yes.
 - (a) Wendy - Veteran competitor; Miki – former shiai player
 - c) Video applications and not approved (yet):
 - (1) Shane & Dartanyan (OH) – Kime no Kata ? working with Frances
 - (a) Shane is PJC & IJF world veteran athlete; Dartanya is para-athlete (VI, mild) x2 bronze veteran medalist
 - (2) Victor & Brian (DC) – Nage no Kata ? – working with Diane (after PJC)
 - (a) Brian is PJC veteran athlete – gold medal last year; Victor is former Romanian shiai player
 - (3) Maybe - Goshin Jutsu – 1 former shiai player. working with Carla & Claudia

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Ju-no-kata Senior/Open	Fred	Dagdagan	Lee	Pasteris
Ju-no-kata Senior/Open	Lori	Latimer	Christine	Levine
Ju-no-kata Senior/Open	Wendy	Pietroniro	Miki	Takemori
Katame-no-kata Senior/Open	Douglas	Newcomer	Nicolas	Valcik
Katame-no-kata Senior/Open	Mary	Wakabayashi	Pamela	Moye
Kime-no-kata Senior/Open	Lisa	Capriotti	Robert	Gouthro
Kime-no-kata Senior/Open	Schmidt	Joe	Sternick	Jim
Kime-no-kata Senior/Open	Shane	Hudson	Dartanyon	Davon
Nage-no-kata Senior/Open	Douglas	Tono	Trent	Tono
Nage-no-kata Senior/Open	Vasile Victor	CiocoIU	Brian	Lopez
U23 Ju-no-kata	Brynn	Buskerud	Haley	Buskerud

name	last	IJF role
Alain	Wilkinson	Judge Candidate
Karen	Nagai	Judge Candidate

Barbara	Houston Shimizu	Judge
Theodore	Schwalm	Judge
Diane	Jackson	Judge
Glaze	Frances	Judge
Carla	Martin	Coach & Team manager
Claudia	Smith	Coach
Eiko	Shepherd	Coach
Takeuchi	Kuniko	Coach (Head)

F. 2025 Senior National Divisions?

a) If same as 2024 Sr Nationals divisions :

	Nage	Kat	Ju	Kim	GoS	
Inter	4	5	3	0	1	13
U23	2	1	1	0	1	5
Open/Sr	3	5	5	4	5	22
	9	11	9	4	7	

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2023 Sr Nationals divisions

2023	Nag	Kat	Ju	Kim	GoS	
Intermediate	3	3	2	1	2	11
U33	2	0	1	n/a	n/a	3
Open / Sr	3	4	5	2	3	17
	8	7	8	3	5	31

b) Criteria for category: - Same as last year ?.

- World team members in their kata, even with new partner, compete in Open/Seniors
- World team members can compete in intermediate if it is in a different kata than in their World or PJC level kata(s)
- Once medaled in Open/Seniors, team for that kata is Open/Seniors category
- If medaled in Intermediate previously, can be Intermediate again
- If medaled in Open/Seniors previously, team cannot be Intermediate in that kata

V. Quality criteria: 2025 Worlds and PJC team members

A. 2023 / 2024 year – 6.5 PJC and 7.0 Worlds

VI. Requested / inquired for kata at

A. US Open

B. Youth nationals / Jr Olympics

VII. Next USAJudo Kata Committee Meeting – Sat., October 26, 11:00am ET, 10:00am CT, 9:00am MT, 8:00am PT

VIII. End of meeting – Frances, Karen W. 11:45am

End of Agenda Items

Kata Calendar:

▶ USA Kata events:

- ▶ 9/19-20 – PJC Kata Championship and Veterans, Colombia
- ▶ 11/ 8-10 – IJF World Kata Championship, Las Vegas, NV

- ▶ 9/22 – Liberty Bell (kata and shiai), Philadelphia, PA
- ▶ 9/28&29 – practice and coaching by Eiko sensei at Lisa and Rob's dojo, SC
- ▶ 10/5 – Maryland Open (shiai for juniors and kata for everyone), College Park, MD
- ▶ **11/ 9-10 (kata) – IJF World Kata Championship, Las Vegas, NV**
- ▶ 11/16 – Kime no kata and Goshin Jutsu clinic, Portland OR, K. Nagai and D. Jackson
- ▶ 12/7 – Virginia Open (kata and shiai), Arlington, VA
- ▶ 12/6-8 – Winter Nationals (youth and seniors kata and shiai), hosted by Nanka at Azusa University, CA

- ▶ 2/xx – Tohkon kata clinic – Doug Tono, Chicago, IL
- ▶ 2/15&16 – Andre Parent clinic – Nage no kata and Katame no Kata, NYC (Flushing), NY
- ▶ March? Lone Star Classic (kata and shiai) – Dallas, TX
- ▶ May – Sr Nationals
- ▶ August – David McFall, Koshiki no kata, DC area

▶ International kata tournaments/ events:

- ▶ September 7 – Madrid, Spain
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