

**MINUTES OCTOBER 25, 2008 MEETING  
OHIO JUDO, INC**

The Ohio Judo, Inc Board of Director's fall meeting was held October 25, 2008 at Blufton University, 1 University Drive - Marbeck Center Meeting Room A, Blufton, Ohio which began at approximately 3pm.

**Officers**

<b>PRESIDENT</b>	<b>MARK HUNTER (present)</b>
<b>VICE PRESIDENT</b>	<b>DICK EDWARDS (present)</b>
<b>SECRETARY</b>	<b>LOREY EDWARDS (present)</b>
<b>TREASURER</b>	<b>MICHAEL MOONEY (present)</b>

**Program Directors & Representatives**

<b>OPERATIONS</b>	<b>JIM STARCHER (present)</b>
<b>DEVELOPMENT</b>	<b>JANICE SCHERER (present)</b>
<b>STANDARDS &amp; CERT</b>	<b>RUSS SCHERER (present)</b>
<b>LAW &amp; LEGISLATION</b>	<b>TOM JONES (absent)</b>
<b>ATHLETE REP</b>	<b>TOSHIYA NISHIMURA (absent)</b>
<b>ATHLETE REP</b>	<b>BRITTANY BEZOSKI (present)</b>

Also in attendance were Hannah Starcher, Frank Herzog and Andy Bosiljevac.

After call to order of officers, the minutes from the April 26, 2008 meeting were approved as amended by the board (motion by Lorey Edwards, second by Russ Scherer).

The meeting continued with reports by the officers beginning with the Treasurer, Michael Mooney.

**TREASURER and REGISTRATION**

The Treasurer provided information regarding the state of financials currently in the OJI's account by distributing copies of the banking summary, check register and income/expense report. Michael Mooney and the board moved OJI's funds to Mr. Mooney's company savings account in order to generate interest rate of 2 & 7/8%. In addition, the funds are now immediately accessible without a waiting period.

Michael Mooney also informed the board of the current number of registered clubs is (9) nine and the number of individual memberships is (195) one hundred ninety-five.

There was discussion of coach certification and background check requirements. The state will hold all club registration certifications until it has been able to verify these requirements have been met through the national approval

## **OPERATIONS and BUDGET COMMITTEE**

Jim Starcher, Director of Operations and Chairman of the Budget Committee, stated there were no budget requests turned in. Mr. Starcher directed the group and lead the discussion to create an operating budget for 2009. The budget for 2008 was used as a guide with specific modifications to accommodate OJI's needs for 2009.

## **DEVELOPMENT**

Janice Scherer presented to the board the participation results for team travel and regional tournament reimbursement participation. The athlete names participating in each event are available through Russ Scherer.

The team travel trip planned for Washington DC was cancelled.

## **STANDARDS & CERTIFICATION**

Russ Scherer discussed getting new people referee certified and getting current certified referees upgraded to their next level. Russ is planning on hosting a rules clinic which will be open to players, coaches and officials. The new rules set is expected by January from the IJF.

Mr. Scherer also has a few dates in mind to hold Rules Clinic, Beginner Local Level Tournaments, Timer & Scorer Clinics and Super Saturdays. He asked for suggestions on how to encourage participation to ensure these events are well attended and successful.

Russ Scherer had contact with the Cincinnati Activities Winter Sports Festival representatives. Russ asked if OJI had any interest pursuing this participation venture. This year's date is scheduled for December 13 & 14, 2008. Russ suggested attending to see how the event operates to determine if OJI would be interested in working toward the 2009 event.

## **LAW & LEGISLATION**

Tom Jones has resigned from the board due to work conflict. Mark Hunter, OJI President, is looking for candidates willing and able to fill this position.

All other officers had no items to report.

## **WEB COMMITTEE**

OJI is looking for volunteer to take charge of this task.

## **COACHING**

Andy Bosiljevac stated he was receiving little to no interest in state team participation. Once a team travel event scheduled, OJI will require coaches, a manager and chaperone's to assist with the team.

## **PROMOTION COMMITTEE**

Frank Herzog presented to the board a list of promotions current through April 2008. He asked if the current promotional system is fully functional and servicing the clubs and individuals properly. No one had any complaints or suggestions for improvements.

The meeting continued to discuss motions on the agenda under new business.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

None.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

## **MOTIONS**

### **1. Ohio Championships**

Lodi Ohio – February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2009 Old Date

Lodi Ohio – May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2009 New Date

*The date was approved for change by the board to May 16, 2009.*

### **2. Ohio Regional Championships**

Bluffton, Ohio – December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2008

Mat Size Issue – Can we use a Smaller Mat Size?

*The event is to be held December 7, 2008.*

### **3. Ohio Travel Team**

Traveling Team Concept – What is going on with this project?

*Continued effort to get people excited and involved in participating in state sponsored events.*

### **4. Budget for 2009**

No Budgets were turned in!

*A budget was created during the meeting for OJI to function during 2009. Jim Starcher can be contacted for details.*

### **5. USA Judo National Update**

What is up at the National Office?

*New national appointments. Group B & C appointments are now only one position.*



## **6. Web Site**

Need Help – Need someone to take charge of it  
*OJI still looking for volunteer to maintain website.*

## **7. 2009 Club Registration Time**

Time for Club Sign- ups  
*Send registration along with (2) two checks to Michael Mooney for club registrations.  
One check payable to state and one to national.*

Prior to the adjournment, some last minute items were addressed. Lorey Edwards put forth a motion to provide funding for Hendye Chery in the amount of \$250 for competing in the 2008 Olympic Trials. This motion received a second from Dick Edwards and approved by the board.

Hannah Starcher put forth a motion to pay for a ticket received due to the malfunction of the break-away feature for the mat trailer. Funds were also requested for the trailer's yearly registration fee. The \$97 for the ticket and \$48.50 for the annual trailer registration were both approved by the board.

The next Joint Workout is schedule in Findlay, OH January 17, 2009

Mark Hunter called for adjournment with a second by Lorey Edwards, the meeting was adjourned at 4:45pm.

Date for the Next Meeting is to be determined.