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**Minutes of the Board**  
**January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2006**

**Board Members Present:**

Mr. Sebastian Pirrone, Mr. Dragan Kljenak, Mr. Sriram Rangan, Mr. Norm Gilles, Mr. Sean Wong, Mr. Mark Pridham, Mr. Josh Drury, Ms. Korina Ossetchkina, Mr. Paul De Francesa

**Also Present:**

Mr. Zvonko Celebija, Mr. Jim Jennings, Ms. Darlene Ferri, Mr. Doug Meagher, Mr. Miro Pusic

**1.0 Meeting called to start at 7:53 p.m.**  
Notes recorded by Mr. Sean Wong.

**2.0 Note on December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2005 Meeting**  
Topics discussed at the meeting on December 11<sup>th</sup>, are deemed as consent items because of a lack of quorum. The board has utilized its option (as per previous minutes, article 9.3.) to use the items of consent for the basis of electronic communication.

**3.0 Position of KAO Secretary**  
3.1 Ms. Kirsty Armit's resignation has been tendered. The board agrees to accept Ms. Armit's resignation.  
3.2 Motion by Mr. Kljenak to appoint Mr. Sean Wong as Secretary: **Motion Passed**

**4.0 Position of KAO Director**  
4.1 Mr. Doug Meagher has been recommended by Mr. Mark Pridham to replace Mr. Sean Wong as director.  
4.2 Motion by Mr. Pridham to appoint Mr. Doug Meagher as Director: **Motion Passed**

**5.0 Tournament Sanctioning**  
As per December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2006 consent item, 2 tournaments request sanctioning from Karate Ontario. Mr. Josh Drury, as a representative of the referee committee, has examined requirements for sanctioning. The board has deemed that independent insurance would be required for Karate Ontario support which includes advertising and promotion. No points will be issued for these independent events. Further involvement of the referees must receive support from the board.

## 6.0 Athletic Awards

- 6.1 In accordance to the Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2004 amendment indicating athletic awards for placement in any PKF event Mr. Norm Gilles has proposed the payment of these awards as indicated by Head Coach Mr. Jim Jennings.
- 6.2 Motion by Mr. Norm Gilles to pay athletes these awards: **Motion Passed**
- 6.3 A comprehensive list of criteria that includes budgetary restraints and athlete eligibility has been deemed necessary for future awards.
- 6.4 Motion by Mr. Kljenak to temporarily cease future awards pending detailed criteria list: **Motion Passed**

## 7.0 NKA Issues

An electronic note has been received from Mr. Zvonko Celebija, claiming an allegation by Mr. James Johnson, of the National Karate Association of Canada, against Mr. Sebastian Pirrone. In addition, the names of two Karate Ontario members were also mentioned by Mr. Johnson supporting the allegation. As per consent item on December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2005, an investigation was carried out by Mr. Sean Wong. Information has been submitted that members in question deny involvement. Mr. Paul De Francesca and Mr. Dragan Kljenak will word a formal request to be submitted to the NKA for their pursuit and investigation of this matter.

## 8.0 Allegations Against the Board

- 8.1 A letter by Mr. Dozono is being circulated with inaccurate claims against the board. The board has deemed that presence of Mr. Dozono is necessary in order to clarify these inaccuracies.
- 8.2 Motion by Mr. Dragan Kljenak to request Mr. Dozono's presence at a future meeting: **Motion Passed**
- 8.3 Mr. Dozono's notification is to be made by Mr. Dragan Kljenak.

## 9.0 Shikaku Incidences

- 9.1 Motion by Mr. Dragan Kljenak to reinstate Mr. Karl Sutton as of February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2006: **Motion Passed**
- 9.2 A letter by Mr. Sean Wong is to be sent to inform Mr. Sutton.
- 9.3 On the last tournament, Shikaku have been imposed on competitor, in the category Cadet boys 16-17, +70 kg., where a competitor's delegation was behaving improperly. Consequence is determined by Referee Committee: suspension of the competitor for one Tournament (last tournament of this season).
- 9.4 Item 12.1 as per October 20, 2005 meeting. Shikaku has been resolved and athlete has been reinstated.
- 9.5 It has been recommended that notice be included in future tournament packages of the importance of parental and coaching protocol at tournaments.
- 9.6 Referee council is requested to formulate recommendations of penalties to club and club leaders for failure to adhere to protocols as per item 9.5.

## 10.0 Coaches Report

- 10.1 Coach's recommendations were submitted electronically on January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2006 for perusal by the board.
- 10.2 The board has requested rewording of the submitted mandatory training calendar.
- 10.3 The board has approved the following as part of the coaching committee:
  - 10.3.1 Deborah Luchetta as coach.
  - 10.3.2 Darlene Ferri as Team Manager
  - 10.3.3 Howard Crocker as coach at Black Belt Nationals
  - 10.3.4 A list of assistant coaches is to be resubmitted for further review.
- 10.4 A request has been made by the board for additional choices of training venues to be included for future camps.

## 11.0 Treasurer's Report

- 11.1 Mr. Norm Gilles reports that the current cheque signing method is no longer working. Co-signer, Mr. Sam Moledski has requested to be removed as co-signer.
- 11.2 Motion by Mr. Sean Wong<sup>i</sup> to permit Mr. Norm Gilles to have the authority to be the sole signer for cheques no greater than \$15,000 CAD: **Motion Passed**
- 11.3 Motion by Mr. Kljenak for Mr. Dragan Kljenak to be the co-signer for cheques greater than \$15,000 CAD: **Motion Passed**

## 12.0 Other Business

- 12.1 Mr. Josh Drury has recommended acknowledgement by KAO of the contribution by Mr. Vladimir Klotchikhine of Shiseikan Karate-Do & Kempo School in light of his retirement. Mr. Josh Drury will attend SKKS as a KAO representative and Mr. Sean Wong will post a future article of the website.
- 12.2 Mr. Antonio Terra has requested to host Grand Prix #4 in March.
- 12.3 Motion by Mr. Josh Drury to approve Mr. Terra's request as per item 12.2:  
**Motion Passed**
- 12.4 Motion by Mr. Dragan Kljenak to pay for the airfare to the US Open in Las Vegas for Mr. Zvonko Celebija, Mr. Sebastian Pirrone, and Mr. Jim Jennings: **Motion Passed**

## 13.0 Meeting Adjourned at 10:13 pm

Date of Next Meeting: To Be Announced  
Location: To Be Announced

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<sup>i</sup> This item was corrected by KAO secretary Sean Wong and passed by the board on March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2006. Previous published minutes included an error that indicated Mr. Pirrone as the person to motion.