

NI Judo Federation Board Meeting – 9th November 2021
7pm by Zoom

Attendees (Board Members)- Mark Harris, Peter Cuckoo, Rebecca Cuckoo, Russell Brown, Richard Briggs, Robin Newett and Lauren Smythe

Attendees (Staff)- None

Attendees (Other)- Averil Taggart (Competitions Committee Chair)

Apologies: None

Ref	Detail
1	<p><u>Welcome</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RBrown opened the meeting and welcomed all Board members to the zoom meeting.
2	<p><u>Apologies</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None noted.
3	<p><u>Declaration of Interest</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None noted.
4	<p><u>Minutes from Previous Meetings</u></p> <p><u>Minutes 17th July 2021</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No issues raised. <p><u>Minutes 21st September 2021</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LS agreed to make the two amendments. • Both sets of minutes proposed by RBriggs and seconded by PC.
5	<p><u>Financial Report</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The September 2021 and October 2021 Financial report was tabled discussed by the Board. Both proposed by RBrown and seconded by RBriggs.
6	<p><u>Secretary's Report</u></p> <p><u>AGM Planning</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LS highlighted the point in the Articles that the Board shall prepare an agenda and issue as part of the notice of the meeting to be sent at least 14 days before the AGM which would be 15th November 2021, and noted that she had circulated a draft copy of the

	<p>agenda for comment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LS thanked RN for adding the auditor information to the agenda. • PC advised that he would make tracked changes to the Memorandum and Articles of Association which members could follow and agreed to send to LS to include on the agenda and for a copy to be sent to Clubs in advance. • Discussed that a Zoom meeting would be favoured to attract more people to attend. • Suggestion for Carnmoney Hall as a venue for the AGM.
7	<p><u>Sport NI- Effective Organisations Update</u></p> <p><u>Anti-doping</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MH highlighted that he was continuing to liaise with BJA on the anti-doping strategy.
8	<p><u>Sport NI – Sporting Winners Update</u></p> <p><u>NIJF NI Pathway Squads</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Noted that a session involving 20 players had taken place at Lisburn Racquets Club and the sponsor had attended and that the next session was at Coleraine Leisure Centre on 12th December 2021. • Issue raised and discussed regarding green and blue stripe belt. <p><u>NIJF Performance Programme</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RBrown will progress meeting arrangements with CW. <p><u>Development of a Player Ranking System</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RC has updated competition information for 2019 and needs 2 rounds of competitions in 2021 to implement the ranking system. RC will liaise with AT to ensure the Competitions Committee send RC results to include.
9	<p><u>Sport NI Sporting Clubs & Commercial Manager Update</u></p> <p><u>Commercial Manager Update</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Membership had increased to above the March 2022 target. Board members congratulated Mark Donald.
10	<p><u>Covid-19 Club Update</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Noted that there was no change from the last meeting and it is important to maintain standards.
11	<p><u>Competitions Commission</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AT attended and noted that she had circulated a list of events for 2022. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Sunday 27th February - Mini-mon & Kyu Grades - Foyle Arena (with adaptive sections)

- At Foyle Arena running on 2 mats and not a point scoring competition. There may be an adaptive section if sufficient entries.
- Costs are as follows;
 - Hire of Foyle Arena- £318
 - Coastal Core 1st Aid- £384
 - Catering Paul McCrossan- £TBC
 - Medals- No cost as in store at House of Sport
 - Santisers- £TBC
- Propose cost increases from £15 to £17. All agreed.
- Entry form to be released after Christmas.
- Entries to be received through NIJF website.

- Sunday 27th March - Dan Grading - venue TBC

- Saturday 9th & Sunday 10th April - N I Open Championships - Foyle Arena
 - Costs are as follows;
 - Hire of Foyle Arena- £2,195
 - Coastal Core 1st aid- £2.136 (1 extra 1st aid)
 - Hotel- 20 rooms- £3,996
 - Catering- £TBC
 - Medals- No cost as in store at House of Sport
 - Propose cost increases as follows;
 - Individual entry -£25 to £27
 - Double entry- £35 to £40
 - Triple entry (new)- £50
 - Charge for spectators- £2 to £3.
 - All agreed cost increases.
- AT proposed swapping days with the Junior, Senior & Master events being swapped from Saturday to Sunday and the pre-cadets, cadets and minors being swapped from Sunday to Saturday. This would help travel arrangements. All agreed.
- Saturday 21st May - N I Adaptive Open - venue TBC
 - Venue TBC and may use Lisburn Leisureplex.
 - The entry fee will be £17 and it will be point scoring.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Sunday 19th June - N I Schools Championships - venue TBC (with adaptive sections) ▪ Sunday 9th October - N I Closed - venue TBC (with adaptive sections) • AT asked if Board members could consider being available to volunteer at events. • AT noted that Club who have their own insurance from an outside provider and run without a BJA license can run their events as they please without regulation. AT asked that the NIJF Board make players aware that NIJF players taking part are not covered by BJA insurance and must check in advance with the club organising the event in advance to ensure they are covered. RBrown advised that he was already doing this.
12	<p><u>Safeguarding</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RBrown noted that there are no issues except one and a reply had been sent.
13	<p><u>NIJF Inclusion Strategy 2021-25</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DSNI had asked for the 4 year adaptive strategy to be reduced to 1 year and RBrown had added the competitions for 2022. • RBrown raised a meeting had taken place which was requested by DSNI.
14	<p><u>Conduct & Complaints</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An update was provided on conduct and complaints.
15	<p><u>Commonwealth Games Update</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No changes noted in month.
16	<p><u>AOB</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion on votes at the AGM for the Interim Chair. • Board to encourage young people to get involved on the Board, even if at a supporting level, and Youth Forums and players forums could work well.
17	<p><u>Next Meeting</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next meeting AGM on Tuesday 30th November 2021 at 7pm, venue.
18	<p><u>Closing</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RBrown thanked everyone for attending.