



NI Judo Federation Board Meeting Minutes – 19th March 24
7pm at Dunsilly Arms Hotel and Zoom

Attendees (Board Members)- R Brown, R Newett, R Gill, G Reid

Attendees (Zoom) Richard Briggs, Lauren Smythe

Apologies: Pete Cuckoo

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| 1 | <u>Present</u> R Brown welcomed and thanked all Board Members for coming. | | |
| 2 | <u>Apologies</u> Pete sent his apologies as he is just home from hospital. | | |
| 3 | <u>Welcome</u> R Brown welcomed attendees | | |
| 4 | <u>Declarations of Interest</u> No declarations currently. | | |
| 5 | <u>Minutes from Previous Meeting – matters arising</u> <u>Company Secretary Report</u> Previous Minutes Proposed by Robin and seconded by Rebecca Notes were produced for the emergency meeting held on 27 th Feb at Dunsilly Arms Hotel – these were proposed by Richard and seconded by Gail | | Gail |
| 6 | <u>Advertising for two new Board Members</u> Russell to speak to F.R. who is interested in taking on the Mental Health & Welfare and the Anti Doping roles. It was agreed that F would be a great fit. | | Russell |
| 7 | <u>Feedback from Sport Nis Meeting regarding the ‘Leak’</u> Still no response from the office of Richard Archibald. One follow up email was sent by NIJF. | | Russell/Gail |

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| 8 | <p><u>Proposed Redundancy Situation</u> –</p> <p>It was discussed that a final settlement document had been drawn up and emailed to engaged solicitor. Russell received an acknowledgement but no response to date (21st March)</p> | | All |
| 9 | <p><u>Financial Report for Jan/Feb 23</u></p> <p> Financial Report Jan 24 b.xlsx</p> <p> Financial Report Feb 24.xlsx</p> <p>Proposed by Richard Briggs Seconded by Rebecca Gill</p> | | Robin |
| 10 | <p><u>Anti-doping</u></p> <p>The role was not advertised as yet, but Russell is speaking to F.R. as in point 6 above.</p> | | Russell |
| 11 | <p><u>Sports Systems NI</u></p> <p><i>NIJF Pathway</i> Great results from the British Schools Championships, 2 Golds, 2 Silvers, 1 Bronze, 2 Fifth and 2 Seventh places.</p> <p><i>NIJF/Adaptive</i> The planned trip to Tipperary has been postponed. Some parents were not satisfied with the funding available, so they decided not to go.</p> | | Russell Robin Pete |
| 12 | <p><u>Upcoming Competitions updates</u></p> <p>101 entries for the NI Closed, which is 30 less than last year which is understandable considering there is another event scheduled at same time by the Ulster Provincials</p> | | Rebecca |

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| | <p>Licences received for both events. Proposed dates for next year underway, trying to avoid any further clashes with the other federations.</p> <p>150 entries currently received for the NI Open.</p> | | |
| 13 | <p><u>Kata Courses</u></p> <p>Not showing on NIJF calendar but have been advertised on social calendar.</p> | | |
| 14 | <p><u>Safeguarding</u></p> <p>The BJA has notified clubs that TTL Courses are needed before clubs can be affiliated.</p> <p>Russell has had confirmation from Paul Stevenson, that our programmes are up to date, ratified and fully acceptable by the BJA.</p> <p>Russell is hoping to arrange a safeguarding and a designated officer course in April on the same day to enable our clubs to renew their affiliation.</p> <p><u>My Voice/My Concern</u></p> <p>More information needed. This costs £70 and is an easy programme to follow. It will be open to members of the IJA as well as the NIJF.</p> <p><u>BJA Safeguarding Code for Martial Arts</u></p> <p>This will replace the old Clubmark System which no longer is available. Russell is going to contact the BJA to see if he can bring the above code to Limavady Judo Club as a trial/pilot.</p> | | Russell |
| 15 | <p><u>Conducts & Complaints</u></p> <p>Nothing additional at this stage as ongoing matters continue to be monitored.</p> | | Pete |
| 16 | <p><u>Governance</u></p> <p>Board Training scheduled for 16th May in Birmingham, Russell, Rebecca and Gail to attend.</p> | | Russell |

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| | Board Skills Matrix to be completed by those who have not already done so. | | |
| 17 | <u>NIJF Organisational Risk Register</u> Russell has handed over to Rebecca - ongoing | | Russell/Rebecca |
| | <u>AOB/Actions</u> It was mentioned that 11 players from both NIJF and IJA are attending the self-funded event (more details please) in Malta and John Murray from The Judo Academy was attending as MatSide Coach. Updates from Sport NI Funding – Debbie Hanna asked for and was supplied a ballpark figure for going forward. A new figure has been proposed by Tim Ellis and Matt Duvall for the new performance pathway. It has been highlighted that we need more communication with the home nations regarding future events. Andrew Scholar is currently bidding for the European Adaptive Event to be held in the UK New Catering services are currently being looked at. | | All |
| | Next Meeting 23 rd April – Venue to be confirmed | | |
| | <u>Closing</u> R Brown thanked everyone for attending and closed meeting at 9.15pm, approx. | | |