

BC Taekwondo Federation AGM
March 19, 2010

Attendees:

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| Song Chul Kim | Tonya McLaughlin | Chris Chong |
| Dae Taek Lim | Burk Wuensche | Denis Chen |
| Tony Kook | Harry Sese | Daniel Thornton |
| Jason Ruiter | Young Suh | Michelle Ge |
| Gary McLaughlin | Rochelle Wilcox | Jin Lim |
| Arsalan Azizi | | |

Called to order: 11:17 am

Greeting and introduction of executive by Tony Kook. Tony Kook noted that as we had 14 voting members, that we have quorum.

2. Opening remarks:

President Dae Taek Lim opened with greetings and highlighting that the four official tournaments for junior and senior athletes is now complete. DT Lim went on to thank all of the volunteers for their support.

DT Lim asked the members to direct their attention to the new ranking system for athletes which is now on the website and kept up to date. With this, athletes can see where they stand in the provincial ranking system on the BCTF website.

Secondly, Dae Taek Lim highlighted the member school listing on the website which now separates main sponsor schools with their specific branches and community schools.

3. Membership Review:

Tony Kook highlighted that the current federation membership has grown from 54 schools to 60 this year. Tony went on to mention that we have 4 members in waiting to do their introductions on this date. They are:

Cory Grachek – Sponsor member Master Romao
Jas Dillon – Sponsor member Master Romao
San Yong Cho – Sponsor member Dae Taek Lim
Mike Sirota – Sponsor member Dennis Chen

4. Approval of Agenda

Tonya McLaughlin wanted to add the approval of the projected federation budget to section 11 – “Government Funding Report”

Tony Kook requested to add the approval of certain memberships “honorary approval of Jon Kim” to the “others” sections as indicated by the agenda.

Motion on the floor to accept the agenda as amended:

1st Chris Chong
2nd SC Kim

5. Approval of Last Years Minutes

Questions, Concerns and discussion – NONE

Motion to accept the minutes:

1st Arsalan Azizi

2nd Dan Thornton

6. Presidents Report

See opening remarks.

7. Vice Presidents Report

SC Kim began by greeting all attendees and highlighting that we have had a lot of success with our athletes in the past year with Ivette Yong winning bronze in the World Championships and also wanted to highlight that Stefan Bozalo and Melanie Pham were selected to attend the Youth Olympics.

SC Kim wanted to urge all members to submit their student lists to the executive as this helps to secure future funding for our athletes and ensures the ongoing success of our federation.

8. Secretary General Report

Tony Kook wanted to discuss the Sport BC group insurance and address the rising cost year over year. The reason for the increase in cost was due to the rising size of the federation. In 2010, the cost is \$680 for a commercial school and \$560 for a community centre location.

Tony Kook went on to also highlight that fact that the school student member listing was required in order to prove federation membership numbers and that going forward the insurance premium will be based off the lists that we provide. The student member list is important both for funding and insurance purposes.

To date: 20 of 60 schools have submitted their lists.

Tony went on to clarify the bylaws regarding new member acceptance:

In meeting with the federation lawyer the clarification of the procedure is:

1. Submit application and fee to the federation
2. The Board of Directors are to approve membership
3. The member is to Introduce themselves formally at the AGM
4. Until the AGM their status remains "Member in Waiting"
5. Memberships are NO LONGER voted on at the AGM

The clarification was required to keep to our bylaw goal of promoting the art and increasing membership.

9. Treasurers Report

Gary Mclaughlin handed out the financials as of todays date: Please See Attached: Discussion arising from the Treasurers report:

Gary pointed out that the funds of the Gaming account will transfer over to the federation account after approval of the funds from the BC government.

Tony Kook questioned where the money in the federation account has come from and Gary pointed out the revenue side of the income statement.

SC Kim asked if all the gov't funding was accounted for under the revenue heading "Sport BC". Gary confirmed this to be correct.

DT Lim asked what the cost of \$5210 for insurance was. Gary explained this amount was insurance paid to our insurance provider for those members that did not pay their member insurance on time and money had to be sent by the federation on their behalf.

Motion to accept the treasurers report as read:

1st Jason Ruitter

2nd Arsalan Azizi

10. Report of Committees:

a. Tournament Report: Ki Sik Jeong not in attendance

b. Referee Report: Please see attached AGM Proposal from Referee Committee discussion arising from the referee report:

Denis Chen opened by stating that the goal is to have 30 active referees. He went on to explain that it was each schools responsibility to provide refs and volunteers.

Tonya McLaughlin asked if there was any differentiation between poomse refs and sparring refs.

Denis Chen said there was not but wanted to recruit more adults as officials and time keepers as they are more mature.

Arsalan Azizi asked how many seminars are planned per annum.

Master Chen went on to state that there are 4 planned for this year. Two in the lower mainland, one in the Okanagan, and 1 on Vancouver island.

This year The federation started the BC Ref for Life initiative to keep referees more engaged and involved. Part of this involved launching the referee website which provides resources and a forum for discussion.

SC Kim spoke to the fact that a lot of the problems that occur at tournaments happen when a coach does not know the new rules and then cause problems as a result because they think that their fighters or students were judged or scored unfairly.

Dennis Chen suggested that the coaching committee also gets invited to the referee seminars to increase the knowledge base.

C. Coaching Committee report:

Chris Chong pointed out that all the athletes were training well and that training sessions were under way. Chris Chong stated that Mike Erdmann was running the interior training and that it would be worth while having the interior and the lower mainland students to get together at least once before a major game in order to foster team spirit.

Chris Chong wanted to point out that there were a couple of instances where a student wanted to switch schools in order to get better training and it was a result of the students parents pushing the agenda themselves. What ends up happening is that the students master is not made aware of their intention to switch and as a result it looks as if the Team trainer is trying to recruit "A" athletes from other schools. This is not the case and that there has to be open discussion between masters to avoid the confusion. As a volunteer, the team trainers do not need to be looked on negatively and that before conflict arises communications between all parties must occur.

Tony Kook went on to reiterate the policy of students switching schools during competition periods and that doing so could jeopardize the students nationals.

D. Volunteers Committee report:

Jin Lim highlighted that 22- 25 individual volunteers are required. Two or three schools sent volunteers only and there needs to be more representation.

SC Kim suggested that there should be a specific team for set up and take down.

Denis Chen said that there is a correlation between volunteers, refs and time keepers and the need to have a big pool of officials to draw from.

Tonya McLaughlin highlighted that students could receive extra credit at school for volunteering.

Young Suh suggested that they receive a tangible certificate for their efforts.

Tony Kook asked Gary what the amount of honorariums was earned by volunteers.

Gary stated it was approx. \$1200 at the last tournament.

Burk Wuenche stated that we should draw more from the parents who are attending the event.

E. Medical Report:

Harry Sese – Please see attached.

F) Athletes Report:

Tony Kook stated that if we had an athletes representative that wished to address the board that during this time they would be allowed to do so. There was none.

11. Introductions from Members in Waiting:

a) Cory Gasdeck – sponsored by Master Romeo teaching in New West at Centennial Community Centre

b) Jas Dillon – sponsored by Master Romeo, teaching in Surrey “Akai Lions”, has a background in kickboxing and Taekwondo

c) San Yong Cho – sponsored DT Lim – teaching in Langley

d) Mike Sirota – sponsored by Denis Chen – has branches in Richmond and soon Vancouver, Mike is promoting Taekwondo as an event in the Paralympic games and also highlighted and introduced his special needs programs that he has introduced in his Taekwondo schools.

12. Government Funding Report:

Tonya McLaughlin – Please see attached.

13. Others:

There was open floor discussion on improving tournament organization: Some points were as follows:

1. Because we know our demographics because of the use and documenting of division numbers that we can have time blocks set for groups of athletes to compete in (for example ages 12-14, compete in both poomse and sparring at 4pm to 6pm). We would have poomse rings and sparring rings set up at the same time and as far as volunteers and refs are concerned we would know our requirements ahead of time. This would also help decrease the number of people in the gymnasium at one time.

2. Another suggestion was online registration with specific cut-off for registration and an automated way to print competitor tags online. Despite the use of division numbers, participants would have to still be matched by size.
3. Competition trees were suggested to be completed before the event.
4. A visual system along with the announcer was also suggested to be used to direct traffic.

There was a motion on the floor to accept J.Kim as an honorary member of the BC Taekwondo federation. J.Kim's father died recently and J.Kim took over Adelpho's Taekwondo.

There was a unanimous vote of 100% to accept J.Kim as a member.

Meeting adjourned at 1:36 pm.