

Jan-27-2007 SEUSKF Board of Directors meeting minutes.

1. Meeting called to order by President Jim Parker at 12:13 pm. Present were K. Arai, R. Barr, T. Liu-Canada, J. Hyun, S. Maeda, B. Souder, K. Strawn, and M. Watson. Absent was F. Nieves. Also present was D. Canada.

2. Minutes from previous meeting (7-15-06) read by K. Strawn. Motion to accept made by M. Watson, seconded by J. Hyun, motion passed unanimously.

3. Final Treasurer's report for 2006 formally presented to Board. Treasurer's report distributed previously to all dojos. T. Liu-Canada makes motion to accept Treasurer's report, seconded by M. Watson. passed unanimously.

4. Following Officers were selected.

President-Ken Strawn.

Vice-president for Promotions--Shinobu Maeda.

Vice-President for Education--Jin-kee Hyun.

Vice-president for Competition--Kunitoshi Arai.

Secretary-Mike Watson.

Treasurer--Tina Liu-Canada.

Following committees were established.

Promotions Committee--S. Maeda, T. Liu-Canada, M. Watson.

Competition Committee--K. Arai, K. Strawn, F. Nieves.

Education committee-J. Hyun, R. Barr, B. Souder.

5. Three new dojos have applied for membership. Each were discussed and voted on.

Baltimore-Annapolis Kendo Club. Accepted.

Robert Eitel

EL Companies

849 International Drive, suite 215

Linthicum MD 21090

East Georgia Kendo club. Accepted.

Shigeru Koyama

Classic Martial Arts club

165 Coile Drive

Athens GA 30606

706-769-9971

Daytona Beach Kendo Club. membership put on hold until it is investigated by J. Parker and B. Souder.

6. Former President J. Parker had solicited names from the dojos of people interested in attending the All Japan Foreigners Training camp in Kitamoto, Japan this summer. The names were discussed and placed in order of priority to go.

1. Larry Scanlon (Annapolis Kendo and Iai Club).
2. Bob Souder (Gulf Coast Kendo Club)
3. Shuji Corey (Triangle Kendo Club)
4. Rob Olevsky (North Raleigh Kendo Club)
5. Scott Brooks (Charlotte Kendo Club)
6. Walter White (Memphis Kendo Club)
7. Mike Quinn (Charlotte Kendo Club)

7. The subject of the problems with receiving of recent promotional menjos were discussed. It is hoped that new Vice President of Promotionals will solve these problems. The following information was passed on.

William & Mary promotional, Feb. 2006. Mailed to AUSKF on Monday, Jan. 28, 2007.

Miami promotional, August 2006. Returned to South Florida (check sent not enough to cover all the menjos listed).

Annapolis promotional, (?) 2006. Just received from AUSKF.

Durham promotional, November 2006. Menjo request form and check turned over to S, Maeda to fill in the names of the examiners and mail to AUSKF.

Additionally there is a question about how many people received menjo from the spring 2005 TMG promotional. Parker sensei has been told that the promotional information had been received by the AUSKF and will attempt to get a list of those that passed. Mike Watson will contact those on the list to determine if they received their menjo or not as several people are known to have never received theirs but it is unclear how many are affected.

8. The Annual South Eastern United States Kendo Championship Tournament will be on Saturday, October 6, 2007 at Berkmar High School in Atlanta, Georgia. It is the 18th annual SEUSKF tournament and the 30th Anniversary of Georgia Kendo Alliance.

9. At this point, the board broke into committees. After approximately 45 minutes of meeting in committees, the Board came together for committee reports.

Promotional--Plan to put together a "Guide for putting on a dojo promotional" to distribute to all our dojos.

Educational--possible seminar in May, will include an introduction to Iai.

Competition--SEUSKF taikai in October will use 6 courts, fees will be \$20 for 17 & under, \$30 for 18 & over, \$35 for non-SEUSKF members. Each dojo may enter up to 4 teams. Preliminary plans for picking team to 2008 AUSKF national championships (will soon start canvassing members for for who is interested in going, plan to have team picked by Oct. 6 tournament, start once monthly team practices in January, 2008). Possibility of SEUSKF being asked to host 2008 AUSKF National championships (need to canvass for volunteers, possibly hold seminar to teach scorekeeping)

10. NEW BUSINESS:

A. The 2007 AUSKF summer camp will be held in Atlanta at Suwanee Sports Academy on June 29-July 1.

B. The Iai National Gasshoku will be in Omaha, Nebraska on July 26-29. (date needs to be confirmed).

C. International Kendo Federation Shinpan Seminar in Long Beach, CA. S. Maeda and J. Hyun will be attending. SEUSKF votes to allot them \$300.00 for their hotel room. A shinpan seminar will be held after their return for them to pass on what they learned.

11. Meeting closes at 4:30 pm. No date set for next meeting.