

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting
Of the Black Belt Register (NSW) Inc
Held Saturday 20/10/2007

The meeting commenced at 12.30pm following break for quorum.

Venue	Sydney Indoor Sports Centre, North Hall, Homebush	
Chair	President Ivor Endicott-Davies	
Present	Ivor Endicott-Davies; Danny Simmons; Morgan Endicott-Davies; Ric Ryder; Gavin Kelly; Chris Pointer; Joe Costanzo; Nigel Fricker; Franciscus Tandean; Daniel Mitchell; Stephen Leadbeater; Ernie Wakamatsu; Robert Maurency.	
Apologies	Bob Allen; Robert Ivers;	R.R. /G.K. Accepted

Previous Minutes

Previous minutes read.

Moved Daniel Mitchell and Seconded Ivor Endicott-Davies that the previous minutes be accepted
Carried

Business Arising

Danny Simmons – Question re those elected last year. There were 2 committee and 3 names appear.
Secretary Chris Pointer to clarify as he had details at home.

Moved Ivor Endicott-Davies/Daniel Mitchell. Adoption of minutes. Carried.

Correspondence

Letter sent to board re question of poor quality of results by NSW Juniors and Young Men at 2007 National Titles. We have received no response or reply.

Reports

Presidents Report.

President tabled and read detailed report of the year activities by the BBR and BBRA. (Attached.)

Question Danny Simmons: Does the recently appointed JFA Kodokan Grades Commission have the power to appoint Kodokan Grades in Australia.

President answered that Commission had power to recommend grades to the Kodokan who will validate.

Moved Gavin Kelly/Danny Simmons for adoption of President's Report. Carried.

Treasurers Report

The BBR and BBRA Treasurer reports were tabled and presented for the 2006-2007 year.

By Ric Ryder and Daniel Mitchell. (Attached)

Question by Gavin Kelly re interest from BBR Investment Accounts. Could get higher.

BBR Treasurer explained that it had already been approved by the committee to move the first a/c when it matured in March, 2008, to a Bank with higher rate of interest, 6.8%

Daniel Mitchell was now a signatory on the BBRA account.

Moved Danny Simmons/Gavin Kelly that both reports be adopted. Carried.

Elections 2007- 2008

President announced that the following positions were now vacant and no nominations have been received in the mail.

VICE PRESIDENT
SECRETARY
1 COMMITTEE MEMBER
(Each for two year period)

Election of Office Bearers

POSITION	NOMINATIONS	MOVER	SECONDED
<u>Vice President</u>	Ernie Wakamatsu	Daniel Mitchell	Stephen Leadbeater

The candidate was asked if he accepted the nominations and Ernie Wakamatsu accepted. They're being no other nomination Ernie Wakamatsu was announced Vice President.

<u>Secretary</u>	Chris Pointer	Daniel Mitchell	Danny Simmons
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The candidate was asked if he accepted the nominations and Chris Pointer accepted. There being no other nomination Chris Pointer was announced Secretary.

<u>One Committee Member</u>	Danny Simmons	Chris Pointer	Stephen Leadbeater
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The candidate was asked if he accepted the nominations and Danny Simmons accepted. They're being no other nominations Danny Simmons was announced, Committeeman.

The President thanked the incoming Committee members for standing and congratulated them on their election.

General Business

Country Region Development.

Gavin Kelly reported that he and Robert Maurency had started the JFA/BBR technical development service to country regions, with a visit to Northern Rivers. The seminar was conducted over 2 days and 30 Juniors and 20 seniors attended.

Recommendation for a standard fee to cover travel/ accommodation / costs, relative to such visits.

President explained that only recently the BOM had approved payment of Air Fare, Region to provide suitable accommodation and the BBR/ BBRA is to decide a standard fee for the visits.

Jim Sheedy was also doing Country Region Development in West on behalf of the BBRA. President to check on membership/NCAS status.

Coaching in New South Wales.

Q. How can we help with coaching in New South Wales?

There was lengthy discussion and input for this topic. The general consensus being that State Coaches should be appointed with the power over the selection process and competitor commitment to be in position to select the best 2 to represent in the National Titles with the JFA choice to send extra if they chose to do so.

State Squad Coaching Venues which were convenient for most was also a problem which constantly arises.

Robert Maurancy (Executive State Coach) agreed that the whole process needed to be addressed and agreed with the comments from members present, who had been previous Squad Coaches and has come up with recommendation for the following:-

- The period of Squad training be reduced to 6 weeks.
- With the first selection for 2008 Nationals approaching, it was proposed to announce his revised criteria and encourage Club coaches to attend Squad sessions with the competitors. This is designed to make them more involved in the training and to be familiar with the procedure.
- The State Coaches are to have more empowerment over the commitment demonstrated by the competitor and the authority to recommend a replacement if commitment not satisfactory.

President announced that the Executive State Coach has total support from the BBR/BBRA

JFA Training Squad. Wednesday Night.

President announced that the Wednesday night JFA State Training Squad has been cancelled for a number of reasons, mainly student apathy for commitment to training.

Q. Do we feel that the BBR/BBRA could take over this important training.

Lengthy discussion with the consensus being that the BBRA should support the coaching efforts to ensure the National Training Program remains. The following recommendations were made in support of the continuance of "Squad" Training.

- The focus on training should be fitness, however it there was a strong sentiment that there should be a better balance with more Randori/fight practice. Therefore it is recommended, initially that Randori sessions rather than heavily loaded fitness sessions should be promoted.
- Executive State Coach, Robert Maurancy is working on a training package for such training which he proposes to introduce, in the near future.
- That the word Squad be avoided, perhaps "JFA Training Program"

Moved Morgan Endicott-Davies/ Gavin Kelly that the BBRA start promotion for the continuation of State/National Training program, with focus on Randori and Fitness. Then to be developed in accordance with the recommendations of this meeting. Carried.

Validation of Grades

Danny Simmons requested the Grades Commission policy on Grade validation.

The President (Grades Commissioner) explained the process and policy on validation of grades applications.

MEETING CONCLUDED 2.30pm

NEXT MEETING Saturday 11 October, 2008

PRESIDENT