

JJIF *Ju Jitsu International Federation*

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MINUTES from JJIF GENERAL ASSEMBLY (Congress)

**26th November 2004 14.00 hrs
Hotel La Princesa, Mostoles (Madrid), Spain**

For present national member federations and delegates,
see Appendix at the end of these minutes, page 7 and 8.

Merksem and Sofia 04-12-01 and 04-12-13

Responsible for the minutes

JJIF

JJIF Treasurer Luc Cassier
Acting meeting secretary
during General Assembly

JJIF General secretary Rossitsa Stateva
(elected during general assembly)

Verification:

Dr Paul G Hoglund

JJIF President

Meeting chairman of general assembly

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1. Opening of the GA (General Assembly)

The meeting chairman (JJIF president Hoglund) declared the JJIF-GA and Congress to be opened and welcomed the delegates and other persons attending.

2. President's speech

In his speech the president (Dr Hoglund) gave a short resumé of the JJIF development and membership increase (85 %) during the passed one and a half year. He stated that this GA and World Championships would outline the road to the future in cooperation and harmony, leading to a quantitative and qualitative development for the sport of jujitsu. He also greeted all delegates of the member countries, the representatives of the applicant member countries, observers and others present welcome.

The president then gave the floor to the chairman of this World Championships Organising Committee, the president of the Spanish federation RFEJDA Mr Alexandro Blanco. President Blanco in his welcome speech also included his thanks to the Mostoles Community for its involvement in the organisation of the World Chamionships.

3. Roll call and attendance

After previous formal control and registration of present delegates, observers and guests a roll call was made and voting eligibility was established. The voting cards were given to delegates with voting rights. Participating countries with voting rights are presented in below in Appendix 1. The total amount of votes at the GA were 26 out of ? national federations present.

4. Nomination of two stewards and scrutineers

The GA *elected* Mario den Edel and Roberto Orlandi as stewards and scrutineers for controlling the voting procedures during the GA.

5. Adoption of the agenda

The GA Agenda was unanimously *adopted*.

6. Approval of the minutes from previous JJIF-GA

The minutes of the JJIF-GA 2003 at Ljubliana were unanimously *approved* without any additional remarks or matters for further discussion.

7. DC members' reports

7.1. President's report

The president (Dr Hoglund) presented his report "JJIF Activities Report for the period May 2003 until November 2004", in which he outlined the most important and urgent matters for the JJIF development, viz. an *increase in membership, increase in financial resources* and a *higher status for the sport of jujitsu*. He also presented the documents "Proposed Development Programme for JJIF for the years 2003 to 2007" and "Application for IOC Recognition, Answer to IOC Questionnaire". All documents were distributed at the GA.

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Additionally the president gave a short report regarding the newly founded (on 04-11-25) Ju Jitsu Pan American Union (JJPAU) with Mr Ignacio Alloise as elected president. Further he mentioned the urgent efforts of creating the Ju Jitsu Asian Union (JJASU) with the help and support from the Olympic Council of Asia (OCA) and the continuing work for the total membership increase. It is the intension of the JJIF to help the new unions in their technical and general development. The delegates then had the possibilities to ask questions to the president.

7.2. Vice president's report

The vice president for technical matters, Heinz Lamade, presented his report on performed activities, in which he also outlined plans for the year 2005. This document was also delivered at the GA. The vice president also gave a report from the JJIF Summer Camp at Corfu, Greece, July 2004.

7.2. Vice president's report

The vice president Luis Baguena gave a short report from the JJEUU Extraordinary General Assembly held on 04-11-25. He also expressed his opinion regarding the "referee matters", which will be further discussed during the JJIF Technical Congress at Sofia, 05-01-28--30.

7.3. Report from general secretary

The general secretary Mrs Benedicte Rouby gave her report on performed activities, especially on the ongoing work of producing an updated membership list. Mrs Rouby also expressed her wish not to be candidate for reelection as general secretary in the coming election. The president then thanked Mrs Rouby for her devoted work during her time as general secretary and announced his proposal to the JJIF-DC to appoint Mrs Rouby as asst sport director with the special task of organising and promoting the jujitsu sport for women.

7.4. Reports from sport directors and referee director

The sport director Mario den Edel gave a short report on performed activities and especially World Games' matters. He also explained regarding the new programme for the youth, which is ready. He further reported regarding the JJIF grading system for Kyu and Dan examinations. There exists already posters describing different techniques.

The asst sport director Georgios Zantiotis gave a report on activities for youth and children. He also reported from the work with jujitsu for the handicapped and the disabled.

The referee director Henrik Sandberg reported regarding proposals to discuss during the coming technical congress. He also stressed the need for an increased referee education in all continental unions. He further recommended, that the JJIF competition rules and referee regulations should be updated.

8. Financial report

The treasurer Luc Cassier gave an overview of the financial situation and asked the president (Dr Hoglund) and former treasurer to present the JJIF Financial Report for 2003, as he has continued doing the bookkeeping until the end of 2003. From the beginning of 2004 the new treasurer (Mr Cassier) has been fully responsible for the JJIF finances.

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The president gave a short report on the presented 2003 report and made some comments on the income and expenditure accounts. There has been a significant increase on the account for “membership development” in order to expand the JJIF total membership. The treasurer (Mr Cassier) recommended the JJIF Special Account (reserve fund) to be moved from the bank in Copenhagen to an account, which could generate higher interest on the capital. It was *decided*, that JJIF should look for the best possible location, where the fund could be kept to obtain reasonable interest.

9. Auditors report

The auditors’ report was presented by the chairman of the auditing committee, Mr Panajotis Theodoropoulos. He had no complains and remarks on the financial presentation for the year 2003. It was noted, that only one of the auditors had been able to control the bookkeeping for 2003 due to some travel and time problems. One of the other auditors, Mr Ignacio Alloise, expressed his wish to have time for controlling the bookkeeping. It was therefore unanimously *decided* to adopt the financial report as presented and the accounts were thus *approved* pending no serious complains will be giving during further auditing.

On the proposal of the chairman of the auditing committee it was then unanimously *decided* to discharge the treasurer and the JJIF-DC for the past years JJIF financial handling.

For the coming period of two years until next GA the following auditors were *elected*: Mr Panajotis Theodoropoulos, Greece, Mr Bruce Bethers, USA and Mr Jao Schiffer, Brazil.

10. Budget for 2004-2006 and future financial planning

The treasurer (Mr Cassier) presented the budget for the coming period of two years until next GA. The budget was presented in the similar way as for the previous years. On the proposal from the JJIF-DC it was *decided* to change the budgeting system for the future. Most Olympic sport federations have a financial planning for the four years between the Olympic Games. It was therefore *decided* to have future JJIF Budgets for four years between the World Games. Next budget thus for the time July 2005 to July 2009.

The treasurer also reported regarding sponsoring. The JJIF has received a proposal from two companies producing martial arts products, and the proposals will be worked out in the near future.

11. New members

The treasurer (Mr Cassier) gave a report on received applications from new member candidates. The following national jujitsu federations has applied for membership: Iraque Ju Jitsu Federation, Ju Jitsu National Federation of Kazakstan, Kuwait Ju Jitsu Federation, Nepal Ju Jitsu Federation, Chinese Taipei Ju Jitsu Association (Taiwan), Ju Jitsu Association of Ukraine. In Iran it has been a change of membership to Iran Judo, Ju Jitsu and Kurash Federation, where the old JJIF member has been integrated.

The JJIF Constitution also provides for “associated membership” to JJIF by other international jujitsu federations. Applications for associated membership of JJIF has been received from WJJKO) (World Ju Jitsu and Kobudo Organisation) and YKKF (Yudansha Kobujitsu and Karatedo Federation).

The federation representatives were asked to make a short presentation of their respective federations. No specific questions regarding the membership were raised. The GA unanimously *decided* to accept membership for the presented federations and extended heartily greetings to the new JJIF members.

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12. Proposals from the JJIF-DC

12.1. Changing of the JJIF Statutes, adjustment of membership definition

The JJIF-DC proposal to change the present JJIF Statutes for having only one category of members *was not accepted* by the GA. After a long discussion the assembly voted and *decided* that the Statutes should be changed (20 votes for). Further it was *decided*, that there should be two categories of membership, and that the JJIF-DC should send out a proposal for how the membership should be divided in those categories.

12.2. Time and place for future JJIF General Assemblies

It was unanimously *decided*, that future JJIF-GA should be every two years in connection with the World Championships, and on the day before the competitions start. Next assembly will thus be in the end of November 2006.

12.3. Other proposals

A new proposal for the JJIF Financial Rules will be worked out and sent to member nations for receiving comments. In principle the JJIF will follow the existing JJEUU Financial Rules. The JJIF election system will be further discussed and decided at next assembly. No proposals (motions) from national member federations have been received.

13. Rewards

The president (Dr Hoglund) presented a proposal, supported by the JJIF-DC, to elect the former general secretary Frank Furst as honorary member of the JJIF. The president also thanked Mr Furst for his 18 years of devoted work for the JJIF. The GA then unanimously *decided* to accept the proposal with acclamation.

14. Election

In order to have a general secretary with full voting right within the JJIF-DC, and not only coopted, the JJIF-DC has proposed to have election for general secretary for the time until the ordinary election time for general secretary at the 2006 GA. Two candidatures for the position as JJIF general secretary have been received, Mr Linus Bruhin from Switzerland and Mrs Rossitsa Stateva from Bulgaria. The candidates were given the possibility of presenting themselves, their qualifications and national support. The result of the election gave, that Mrs Rossitsa Stateva *was elected* with 19 votes against Mr Linus Bruhin with 6 votes and 1 abstention.

15. Future World Championships

15.1. World Championships 2006

For the World Championships 2006 it was one candidate, Netherlands and the Judo Bond Netherlands (JBN). The JBN gave a presentation of the proposed city Rotterdam, the venue and the organisation planning. The GA unanimously *decided* to give the 2006 World Championships to Netherlands and the city of Rotterdam.

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15.2. World Championships 2008

For the World Championships 2008 it was one candidate, Sweden and the Swedish Budo and Martial Arts Federation (Svenska Budo och Kampsportförbundet, SBKF). The SBKF gave a presentation of the proposed city Malmö, the venue and the organisation planning. The GA unanimously *decided* to give the 2008 World Championships to Sweden and the city of Malmö.

15.3. World Championships 2010, 2012

The delegate from Brazil made a tentative proposal for having the World Championships 2010 in Brazil, city to be decided later, and the German representative gave a tentative proposal for having the World Championships 2012 in Germany at the town Hanau near Frankfurt), where many successful events have been organized. All JJIF member countries are invited to present specific detailed proposals and offers to the next GA at Rotterdam for decisions to be taken.

15.4. World Games at Duisburg, Germany, 2005

The organisation of the World Games at Duisburg, Germany was presented by the JJIF honorary founding president Mr Rinaldo Orlandi. The time for the jujitsu event will be 21st and the 22nd July (2005).

16. Presentations

The JJIF asst sport director Joachim Thumfart made a presentation re the OCA (Olympic Council of Asia) project for a multinational joint project of a new sport centre in Germany. The OCA has given full support to the project and the president of JJIF (Dr Hoglund) has been nominated as general director for Europe within the project organisation. The JJIF involvement in this project will give much goodwill for jujitsu and the further sport development in particularly Asia.

Mr Thumfart also made a short presentation re the work done by himself and the JJIF president (Dr Hoglund) in connection with the OCA-GA and congress at Doha, Qatar, July 2004. The sport of jujitsu was then presented to the OCA sport committee and in the congress for the 45 delegates from all the Asian Olympic Committees.

Finally the new elected general secretary, Mrs Rossitsa Stateva from Bulgaria, gave a presentation regarding the Bulgarian jujitsu educational programme "How to Survive". On behalf of the Bulgarian federation she suggested, that the JJIF should also include self defence and personal protection education within its sport structure and create a special committee for the future development of a self defence programme.

17. Closing of the GA

The meeting chairman and president (Dr Hoglund) thanked all delegates and others present for their cooperation and contribution to the JJIF work. He also wished everybody good luck for the coming World Championships. The GA was closed at 19.30 hrs.

In the Appendix at the following pages, the list of attending national delegates and member countries, new members and observers are listed

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Appendix. Present National Member Federations and Delegates

List of participants to the JJIF General Assembly and Congress 2004

Country	Delegate	Representative
For JJEUU		
Austria	Erich Ebetshuber	
Belgium	Francin Leleux	Hugo van Os
Bulgaria	Tomo Borissov	Rossitsa Stateva
Denmark	Frank Fürst	
France	Didier Menu	Eugene Domagata
Germany	Herbert Frese	Ronald Bartens
Greece	Panajotis Theodoropoulos	George Zantiotis
Israel	Yossi Golan	Edmond Bouzaglo
Italy	Rinaldo Orlandi	Dari Quenza
Netherlands	Tom Kempkens	
Norway	Hans Petter Skolsegg	
Poland	Stefan Andrej Badenski	
Portugal	Antonio Manuel Pedrosso Leal	
Romania	Chelu Lott	
Russia	Georgy Kukoverov	
Serbia-Montenegro	Ivica Zdravkovic	
Slovenia	Sreko Krope	
Spain	Emilio Serna	
Sweden	Gunner Hoffsten	Bertil Bergdahl
Switzerland	Gerry Tscherter	Rita Brugge
Ukraine	Viktor Malyutenko	Oleg Ovcharenko
United Kingdom		
For JJPAU		
USA	Bruce Bethers	George Anderson
Canada		
Argentina	Daniel Catacano	
Bolivia		
Brazil	Joao Schiffer	
Columbia		
Uruguay	Ignacio Alloise	
For JJASU		
Iran	Nasrollah Kakavand	
Iraq		
Kuwait		
Taiwan	Chun Hsien Su	

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Observers

Macedonia
Fijlkam

Petar Hristouski
Aloisio Dominic Eugene

List of participants to the World championship competitions

For JJEUU

Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Denmark, France, Germany, Greece, Israel, Italy, Kazakhstan, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Serbia-Montenegro, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Ukraine, United Kingdom,

For JJPAU

Canada, USA, Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Columbia, Uruguay

For JJASU

Iran