**Minutes of the Ju-Jitsu International Federation [ JJIF ] Board 2020**

**9th August 2020** | **05:00 PM - 7:30 PM (Abu Dhabi Time)** | **Online [recorded]**
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Meeting called by | H.E. PANAGIOTIS THEODOROPOULOS, JJIF President |  
Type of meeting | JJIF Board Member Meeting |  
Note taker | Mr. Joachim Thumfart/ Shiela Maglalang |  
Attendees with voting right | 1. Mr. Panagiotis Theodoropoulos - JJIF President  
2. Ms. Margarita Ochoa – JJIF Board Member  
3. Mr. Trilok Nuvin Proag - JJIF Board Member  
4. Mr. Rick Frowyn - Netherlands  
5. Ms. Nebie Severine - Athletes Commission  
6. Mr. Adolfo Trejo  
7. Mr. Fahad Al Shamsi-UAE |  
Attendees with NO voting right | 1. Mr. Joachim Thumfart - JJIF HQ  
2. Mr. Suresh Gopi - JJAU Board  
3. Mr. Tareq Al Bahri - UAE / JJIF HQ  
4. Mr. Tsegaye Deginhe - JJAFU Board  
5. Mr. Zaya Zaya - Ocenaia  
6. Mr. Michael Korn JJEU Board  
7. Mr. Arturo Soler - JJPAL Board |  
Observers (invited) | 1. Mr. Talya Iscan (translator Spanish) |  
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### 1. WELCOME and Speech delivered by the JJIF President

**05:00 PM** | Mr. Panagiotis Theodoropoulos |  
JJIF President, Mr. Panagiotis Theodoropoulos welcomed all the members present.

### 2. Roll call / Quorum / Minutes

**Mr. Joachim Thumfart, (JJIF Director General)**

7 Members with voting rights are present and the quorum was declared as adequate. The Agenda as tabled was approved unanimously.
### Roadmap 2020

**Discussion**

The points of 2019 will be extended by 12 months. So the principal of deduction stays the same.

Means the 2019 points will be reduced after...

- 24 months to 75%
- 30 months to 50%
- 36 months to 0%

JJIF board welcomes all initiatives to host events which can be organized under the aspects of health protection for all.

Abu Dhabi is highly motivated to host an event in 2020 and we will now work on the organization of a Ju-Jitsu Festival (November 2020) with possibilities for Seminars, Education, competitions, training.

**Conclusion**

And it was unanimously voted by the members present to cancel the Ju-Jitsu World Championship 2020 that was supposed to happen in Abu Dhabi in November but try to hold a Ju-Jitsu Festival if possible. Other events which might take place regionally cannot be considered in the Ranking.

### International School Games

**Discussion**

The President proposed to appoint somebody to lead and run the International School Games Project and being in contact with the International School Sport Federation and as well as to get the information from the National Federations where it is possible to have school competitions inside their counties and move to the continental school games and international school games. The president asked if somebody from among the member’s present would be willing to handle and run this project and this would be most welcome.

Mr. Suresh Gopi volunteered to coordinate with the board and work on the process to get approval in conjunction with our sports director and anyone else who will volunteer to help. Mr Michael Korn also offered that his secretary Mr. Tom Ismer will support and work on this project.

Mr. Thumfart also recommended the administrative support of the German Youth Secretary, JJIF and JJAU Headquarter.

**Conclusion**

It was unanimously voted to appoint Mr. Suresh Gopi as Project chair with the administrative support of JJIF HQ, JJAU Administration and German Youth secretary (7 of 7 votes in favor)

### Membership

**Discussion**

The President proposed to keep the application pending and try to go for associated membership for Oceania activities. Discuss further with French Polynesia Judo as well and for a similar solution to be looked at for Reunion island

**Conclusion**

7 of 7 votes to keep the membership application pending.
**Malaysia**

**Discussion**

Malaysia Ju Jitsu Federation (MJJF) headed by Mr. Akasyah Bin Sabri participated and sent their national team in the Sea Games 2019 in Philippines. They have collaboration with the NOC Malaysia and has a serious membership application among other organizations applying for membership in Malaysia. Mr. Thumfart proposed to the Board to grant a Provisional Membership to Malaysia Ju Jitsu Federation (MJJF) to have a proper continuity of the work.

**Conclusion**

Provisional membership granted (7 of 7 votes).

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**Nepal**

**Information**

Mr. Gopi stated that as Vice President and responsible in South Asia, it is his responsibility to develop Nations in South Asia. He has been trying his very best to activate the existing Ju Jitsu recognized member in Nepal but unfortunately for the past 4 years we haven't heard anything from them and they are not being active and present in any international and continental events. Mr. Gopi stated that he offered them support just to be able to participate in some events but nothing happened. Then finally Mr. Gopi decided to find somebody else to actively represent Nepal, in fact he met a new organization that can fulfill the requirements to become a JJIF Member and therefore a JJAU member.

Mr. President said that since the recent member in Nepal is not being active and no participation in any events in the past years they can decide in the next JJIF session whether they can suspend the current federation and accept the new membership applicant.

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**6. E-Learning Project Information**

**Mr. Rick Frowyn**

Mr. Frowyn stated that he had a meeting with Mr. Alexander Nascimento (JJIF Jiu Jitsu Head Referee), he mentioned that in the previous weeks he came over to him and asked him if he wanted to cooperate and join them in the JJIF Online Learning Program.

Meanwhile, Mr. President informed Mr. Frowyn to accept the work of Mr. Alexander Nascimento since he is the Chairman of Ju Jitsu Referee. The way that he's presenting rules and referee techniques in Ne-waza (Jiu-Jitsu) is really professional. Mr President added that he believes that they must follow his programs worldwide.

Mr. Frowyn said that what they are developing is a program where the members of the federation in Ju Jitsu community can join e-learning programs which will be available in JJIF website where participants and stakeholders can follow courses and each participant who can accomplish the courses will be given a JJIF Certificates. So it will take a big program and for sure we will be needing many engagements. Mr. Frowyn added that he is quite sure that it will be very nice program for the Ju Jitsu community in the world to keep them closer to the whole definition of sport such as Ju-Jitsu (Ne-waza), Fighting System, Dou System, Show and full contact and everything under JJIF.

Mr. Frowyn said that they will develop 6-8 courses with special paragraphing sign and everybody who fulfill the paragraphs will be receiving either a diploma or certificate. He also mentioned that in the next weeks or 1 month he will present something more about the e-learning.
## Discussion

Mr. Frowyn mentioned the planning about World Police and Fire Games Netherlands has been moved to 2022 with due to the pandemic caused by the COVID-19. He also said that it will be good for JJIF because the last weeks Mr. Joachim and him had several meetings about the aforesaid event because they have informed that Ju Jitsu has been kicked out in the World Police and Fire Games and they are not even aware with this. He also mentioned that he had meetings with the local organizers in Netherlands who are responsible for the event and he has informed that one continental referee (Dutch) took it upon himself without even informing the Dutch Federation, JJEU or the JJIF to meet the organizers and told them that their Jiu-Jitsu/Ne Waza/BJJ rules which are to be used for the event were so hard to understand that JJIF or JJEU will not be able to supply referees. He said that they made a of investigation to find out who was this Dutch Referee and they have been able to identify him.

Mr. Frowyn added that they already have an opening and he will be having 2 meetings; 1st is on 17th of August with the local organizers and after that meeting he will have a meeting with Mr. Thumfart and he’s hoping that Mr. President can join together with Mr. Bach from USA who’s responsible for the whole set of sports in the World Police and Fire Games and they will present and state that JJIF can handle this event easily.

Mr Frowyn also recommended disciplinary action against the referee.

Mr. Thumfart requested Fahad Al Shamsi to check with the USIP presentation how the relations are between these two organisations to avoid conflicts on the level of our partner in Police sports and proposed that the dutch referee disciplinary matter be referred to JJIF Legal Dept.

## Doping Free

### Discussion

Proposition of N.Proag as regards application of the JJIF Anti-Doping Rules on costs of Anti-Doping process and recovery of such costs from National Federations (Annex***)

### Conclusion

5 of 6 votes agree one abstain NP not voting

## Miscellanea

The Session shall hold as an online meeting in the end of 2020. Director General should send out first invitation to respect the deadlines

AIMS / UTS are going to organize a Virtual Youth festival JJIF plans to collaborate and motivate many athletes to participate

### Conclusion

The JJIF President addressed the Board Meeting. He thanked all persons present for their participation. The meeting was thereafter adjourned. Next online meeting was scheduled for the 20. September 2020

Approved by JJIF President Panagiotis Theodoropoulos

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