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**MINUTES OF THE JU-JITSU INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION [JJIF]
BOARD MEETING HELD IN ABU DHABI, UAE ON APRIL 21-23, 2017.**

Present 21. 04. 2017

a) Members of the Board (6 out of 9 Votes):

1. Mr Panagiotis Theodoropoulos, the President
2. Mr. Nuvin Proag, the Vice President (JJAFU President)
3. Mr Georgiy Kukoverov, appointed member
4. Mr Dr. Igor Lanzoni, appointed member
5. Mr Dr. Jaffer Al Muthafer, appointed member
6. Ms Claudia Behnke, the Athletes Commission

7. Mr Eugene Domagata, General Manager
8. Mr Joachim Thumfart, Sport Director

b) By Invitation:

1. Mr Fahad Al Shamsi, JJAU General Secretary
2. Mr Tomo Borissov, Self-defence Committee
3. Ms Vicky Kontou, Secretary to the President
4. Mr Doryan Avramov, adviser to Mr Borissov
5. Mr. Anastasios Poulkidis, Organisation Committee

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Present 22.04.2017:

a) Members of the Board (7 out of 9 Votes):

1. Mr Panagiotis Theodoropoulos, the President
2. Mr. Nuvin Proag, the Vice President (JJAFU President)
3. Mr. Robert Perc, the Vice President (JJEU President)
4. Mr Georgy Kukoverov, appointed member
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Present 23.04.2017 (work meeting only):

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3. Ms Claudia Behnke, the Athletes Commission
4. Mr Eugene Domagata, General Manager
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Ad 1

Welcome of the JJIF President

The JJIF President, Mr. Panagiotis Theodoropoulos, welcomed all members present, noting the importance of finalizing and concluding several items that have already been discussed during the last JJIF Board meetings.

Ad 2

Approval and competing of the Agenda

The JJIF President also asked the JJIF Board to include to the agenda the clarification of the JJIF Financial rules.

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Ad 3 **Report from SportAccord**

The JJIF Sport Director, Mr. Joachim Thumfart, took the floor and described what happened in the SportAccord Convention and meetings, where the highlight was that during the meeting about the World Games, the Board of the World Games proposed to put nine new sports in the World Games Association where six of them were out of Olympic federations. Majority of the federations gave a negative vote.

He continued, pointing that during the World Games meeting, JJIF proposed Mr. Rinaldo Orlandi, President of the JJIF Ethics Commission, to be a member of the IWGA Ethics Commission, but the IWGA Board decided that is better to have a list of six experts included and when needed they will cover a particular case.

He then described the AIMS conference, a meeting that was about the Statutes of AIMS, and also mentioned that it is decided that organization of the World Combat Games is now accepted by IOC. The next SportAccord convention will be in April 2018 in Bangkok and Mr. Stefan Fox is planning to make a Sport Festival parallel to the SportAccord Convention, a kind of multisport events especially for the AIMS sports to be presented there.

The JJIF President, Mr. Panagiotis Theodoropoulos added that in August 2017 we will have officially the recognition of IOC to AIMS. That means that Ju –Jitsu is not an Olympic recognized sport but belongs to an Olympic recognized group of sports. He also mentioned that it is important for JJIF to be present to the Sport Festival as a big group to work and therefore the JJIF Board must communicate that unfortunately they will not be able to be present to the next year Abu Dhabi World Pro as it is the same days. He also informed the JJIF Board that he was present to the Conference of International peace and Sports Development where he made a speech and many members from IOC, NOC and Governmental representatives were present and that JJIF succeeded in a way that everyone present and understood its target.

The JJIF Sport Director continued by noting that the World Mastership Games for 2019 are ready to be in South Korea on September 2019.

The JJIF President noted that the World Mastership Games seems an important event as a lot of money is invested by South Korea and Ju-Jitsu is the highest level sport in this organization so it is a good opportunity to participate in new activities of the Fighting discipline. He mentioned that it is decided for the JJIF Sport Director to follow up the event, as the JJIF previous technical delegate never informed on time the National Federations. He concluded by saying that it is a big opportunity for athletes even from Europe to attend the event, with a lot of the costs covered by the

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organizers, something that was not possible in last minute. He noted that he is a member of organization and the JJIF Sport Director will be in touch with the organizers in order to organize in a better way the participation of JJIF in this event.

Joachim Thumfart continued by mentioning that the idea of SportAccord is to separate the commercial activities from the Federation activities. The multisport games will be under the brand of SportAccord while the federation will be named GAIJS (Global Association of International Sports Federations).

He noted that there were a big number of applications in order to be members of SportAccord, but the opinion of the current members was quite reserved to include a lot of new Federations.

The JJIF President emphasized that all members of AIMS are logically and normally the next candidates for recognition by IOC and it is critical for the JJIF to try to hurry in order to be in the procedure of recognition by IOC as the next chance will be probably after his presidency.

The JJIF Board Member, Mr. Igor Lanzoni emphasized that JJIF needs to make strong partnerships. JJIF must make stronger its relationships with other International Federations and International Organizations like UNESCO or Peace and Sport and Panathlon in order to give to the IOC the opportunity to help JJIF and be included in the Olympic family. JJIF must use in a correct way its existing partnerships and unify also the system of education of Ju-Jitsu. He concluded by saying that JJIF must find sponsors to create a big image by using material from the different world events.

Ad 4-7

Presentation of organization chart of JJIF structure

The JJIF General Manager, Eugène Domagata, made a presentation of the different JJIF Commissions. He emphasized the importance of finalizing a well defined structure that has already been decided during the World Championship 2017 in Athens.

He noted that he has already sent a document to all interested parties, Commissions and Sub Commissions on January 2017, so they can present their action plan, but with no response. He clarified that he will activate again the relations between the Commissions by sending again a model with a mandatory date of preparing the action plan so in the next JJIF Board meeting JJIF to be able to put priorities.

He emphasized that is important to define the exact role and responsibilities of each person involved in order to function efficiently. JJIF has since eight months a board

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that it is placed and should: update the evaluation plan of governance, update the general structure and update the function and responsibilities of its previous Committees. JJIF must be able to answer the questions of what are the dedicated human and financial resources.

He began his presentation by giving details regarding the General JJIF functioning which includes:

The JJIF President

The JJIF Headquarters

The JJIF Board Members

The secretary to the JJIF President

He continued with the JJIF Commissions which are:

The Legal and Compliance Commission which includes the integrity Committee with Mr. Nuvin Proag in charge and with the cooperation of Mr. Medha Goodary

The Technical and Sports Commission, with Mr. Joachim Thumfart in charge to supervise and coordinate

The Development Commission with Mr. Eugene Domagata in charge and it is directly attached to the JJIF President and the JJIF Continental Union Presidents

The Anti Doping Commission, with Mr. Paco Gomez, Mr. Nuvin Proag and Mr. Eugene Domagata in charge

The Medical Commission, with Mr. Paco Gomez in charge

The Self Defense commission, with Mr. Tomo Borissov in charge

The Grading and Awarding Commission with Mr. Georgyi Kukiverov in charge

The Ethics Commission with Mr. Rinaldo Orlandi in charge with the cooperation of Dr. Tsegaye Degineh, Mr. Ray Nassiri and Mr. Tomasz Knap

The Athletes Commission with Ms. Claudia Behnke in charge

The Organization Commission with Mr. Anastasios Poulidikidis in charge

The Persons with Disabilities Commission with Mrs Sarah Stanton in charge

The Women Commission, with Mrs Asieh Hadavand Khani in charge and with the cooperation of Mrs Sandra Ximena Pedraza and Mrs Linda Ragazzi

The Athletes Commission, the Organization Commission, the Persons with disabilities Commission and the Woman Commission will be directly linked to the Technical and Sport Commission.

The JJIF General Manager clarified regarding the Technical and Sport Commission that it will be the responsible Commission which includes the three disciplines, with one referee in charge for each discipline with a possibility of change if needed. Each discipline will also include coaches, technical experts and athletes when needed, who can be associated in the work of reflection and the work of setting up the course.

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Ms Claudia Behnke and Mr Joachim Thumfart informed the JJIF Board about the proposal supported by a group of referees, to have Mr Henrik Sandberg in charge of the fighting discipline and Mr. Ueli Zürcher in charge of the Duo discipline.

Which was proposed by Mr. Sandberg before.

Despite the deeply appreciated work of Mr. Sandberg and Mr. Zuricher in the past the JJIF Board was not in favor of this proposal, as JJIF should use as well the potential of changes and give opportunities to new and more managers with the help of the old experienced ones. The global representation must be pushed in JJIF commissions and committees as well.

The JJIF Sport Director clarified that the head referee of each discipline is responsible the execution of the rules and the committee of discipline should develop the specific regulations.

The JJIF Board decided to appoint the following referees for the three disciplines:

- Fighting- Mr. Ralf Pfeifer
- Duo- Mr. Dimitrios Georgantidis
- Ne Waza- Mr. Alex Paz

Decision 1-5/2017

The JJIF Board decided to adopt and approve the above described organizational chart unanimously (see attachment as well).

Ad 8 Anti-Doping

Doping Case

The JJAFU President and head of the JJIF Legal and Compliance Committee, Mr Nuvin Proag, informed the JJIF Board that he sent the necessary documents and letter of charges to the French federation which is a valid communication to the French athlete according to JJIF doping rules. He informed that in the first mail which was sent to three different people of the French Federation, he asked for a reason of defense by the athlete until the 15th of April. He noted that according to the JJIF Doping rules, if JJIF does not have a testimony within the timeframe given which is the 15th of April of 2017, the athlete would have to accept sanction. He mentioned that though he was hoping that they will reply and they would explain mitigations and then JJIF really consider accreditations, JJIF has not received anything and therefore the athlete is deemed to be guilty. He explained that by JJIF Doping rules, due to the delay which this case has taken and for which the athlete is not responsible,

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JJIF has no choice but to apply a four year sanction to the athlete starting from the date of sample, the 7th June 2015, which implies therefore to erase all the medals results awards etc, and the athlete has no right to participate in any National Federation activities and different Competitions during the above time period. He also expressed his regrets, that this case could have been closed more smoothly, as if the athlete would have accepted the guilt and due to the fact that she took a specified substance which is less serious than a non specified substance, could have a two year sanction instead of four.

He then asked the JJIF Board to write the resentence as at the moment JJIF does not have a Results Management Committee, that he will draft up the sentence in deal of the circumstances and JJIF will communicate the sanction to the athlete, to WADA and to the public.

The JJIF President emphasized that at the moment JJIF is obliged from WADA to close the case.

Decision 2-5/2017

The JJIF Board therefore decided to apply a four year sanction to the athlete starting from the 7th June of 2015 and the case was closed.

Structuring of Anti-Doping Activities

Mr. Nuvin Proag noted that regarding the JJIF doping review panel which is the Results Management Committee, the members are appointed every four years and there has not been a formal appointment until today. He emphasized that JJIF needs to appoint these members.

Decision 3-5/2017

The JJIF Board appointed Mr. Suresh Gopi and Mr. Paco Gomez as members of the Results Management committee and decided that the Anti-Doping activities of JJIF will be strongly linked to the GAIFS Doping Free Unit to handle professionally the full compliance with WADA.

Ad 9 **Status of the World Games**

The JJIF Board member, Ms Claudia Behnke gave an overview of the status regarding the World Games, mentioning that at the moment there are 48 National Federations qualified in total, of which 21 were qualified by ranking. She emphasized that JJIF qualified the majority of athletes by ranking and those who got a wildcard where in

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high point positions in the ranking list. Finally, she informed that JJIF qualified a few athletes from new member federations with the adequate potential.

The JJIF Sport Director emphasized that JJIF has on its disposal only 20 VIP tickets. He clarified that accreditation for VIP is only for president and general manager and people invited by the IWGA or the local organizer, so JJIF has no options for accreditation of additional VIP. He asked the JJIF Board for Ms Claudia Behnke and Ms Vicky Kontou to be there as officials as they have the best overview of the participants in the World Games.

Ad 10 **Report from JJEU**

The JJEU President gave a report regarding the technical expert meeting that took place in Slovenia under the Ju-Jitsu European Union.

He explained that is a project in Europe- a philosophy on how to introduce coaches, athletes, referees and all other officials in order to bring them together, to have good and open discussion and operation of the development of the Ju-Jitsu for many different perspectives. He explained that their main goal was to make an organizing committee which in that time was the board in order to prepare some initial premises, for the people participating to know in advance the main objectives.

He mentioned that there were in overall 39 participants from 16 countries and the panels were divided in Fighting system, Duo system, Ne Waza system and organization which was the general discussion. The small panels had approximately 12 persons which is the minimum critical mass needed for discussion in different levels. The idea was to prepare an event in cooperation with the NOC, each panel had separate rooms with all technical equipment and whatever is necessary to conduct the event. He mentioned that the General Secretary of NOC was also present and made a presentation referring to the basic principles of good governance, and also was present as a guest the President of the Slovenian Olympic academy which focuses in the fair play movement. The after mark of this event was that Ju Jitsu European Union will sign a memorandum of understanding with the European fair play movement in order to continue working to the fair play agenda.

He continued his presentation by mentioning that during the event there had been a joined meeting referring to the organization agenda in which each panel presented their results and discussions and then they were published in the JJEU website. He informed the JJIF board that official proposals will come in a structured way to JJIF the following days for further development. He noted that one point was education on

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many levels which was the common agreement of every panel, and then there was discussion of the referee license from the perspective that the good evaluation and good performance should be graded in a faster way. He mentioned also that a group will prepare a sort of evaluation of the National Federations, on their activities, and the possibility for them to prepare a common educational program for children. He described that there also had been discussions regarding the Duo system, more particular that it is better not to use the name duo show and that there were a lot of complaints or problems for the new comers how to join the Duo classic as at the moment the European level is quite high and the idea was to have a certain graded approach from a lower to high level. Related to the media, there will be an amount of direct proposals referring to the YouTube activities and movie activities. There was also the idea to include more people to get better recognition from the interested public.

He noted that the JJEU during the Paris Open will additionally test the video capturing system on the mat, on how to use it in the part of help of the Appeal Committee and how to get good material for referee education. In European championship in Banja Luka he noted that JJEU will include additional evaluators who will focus and evaluate only the mat referee and inform then about the outcome. He informed the board that JJEU used different questionnaires in order to give opportunity to participants to rate what they find most important for the event for participating or thinking to join an event. The outcome was that the atmosphere in overall was quite positive and interesting and he emphasized that JJEU will have more events to continue this way. He concluded by stating that the outcome of this event is also that in Europe is now established a group of disciplines which is a useful future use of the development or decision making process.

Ad 11 and Ad 14 Schedule 2017/2018, Status of the World Championship

The JJIF Board accepted the proposition of UAE Ju-Jitsu Federation and decided that UAE Ju-Jitsu Federation will host the -21 -18 juniors and Aspirants World Championship in March 2018, in Abu Dhabi, UAE. The General Secretary of the Ju-Jitsu Asian Union, Mr. Fahad AL Shamsi reassured the JJIF Board that the standards will be as high as the other competitions organized by UAE Ju-Jitsu Federation and that they will include the three disciplines, each discipline a day.

The JJIF Board decided to merge the Balkan Open Championship with the World Cup -15 Championship

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The JJIF Board decided to move the German Open to be conducted on 6th October 2017 in order to have more time distance from the World Cup -15 and Balcan Open Championship.

The JJIF Board decided that the Seniors World Championship 2017 will be conducted in Bogota, Colombia, in November, together with a referee seminar and the JJIF Session and then World Beach Tournament the next days in Cartagena, Colombia.

The JJIF President then clarified that the objective of the JJIF Convention is to put on the table the needs of the National Federations and try to take out a minimum program of education. He mentioned that the last JJIF Convention unfortunately was closer to the meaning of a technical meeting and not to a Convention. He therefore proposed to postpone the JJIF Convention to be conducted next year, in 2018, as also next year will be the 4 year IOC Convention and JJIF should see what will be the result of this Convention. He also noted that he expects from the next JJIF Convention in 2018, to include the proposals already having discussed and then to built up again the education program for referees. He stated that it is also important of adding to the next convention the education of the technical people in JJIF. He continued by noting that JJIF must prepare a working team for the next JJIF Convention that should be based on the European Union guidelines and legislation, for the part of Coaches and continuous education system . He concluded by saying that is important that inside the JJIF Convention there must be a strong representation of all Continents and therefore it should be conducted outside Europe as it is easier for the other Continents to attend.

Ms Claudia Behnke was of the same opinion, as she informed the JJIF Board that the Athletes Commission should be present in the JJIF Session and this is possible only if the JJIF Convention is postponed for the next year, due to the lack of time. Therefore, the JJIF Board decided for the JJIF Convention to move to the year 2018, for which the exact date will be fixed soon.

The JJIF Sport Director proposed for the July of 2018 to have a JJIF Summer Camp together with the JJIF Convention and Training Camps.

Mr. Tomo Borissov also informed the JJIF Board about the JJIF Winter Camp to be conducted in the middle of February in Bansko, Bulgaria.

The JJIF President also confirmed that the World Championship 2018 Seniors has already been fixed to be conducted in Malmo, Sweden.

At this point, Ms Claudia Behnke proposed to implement a general registration fee to be paid by every person involved in the Competitions, including officials and coaches.

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The JJIF Board was in favor of this proposal and decided to apply a registration fee for all.

The JJIF President, informed the JJIF Board that on the Asian Indoor Games, Fighting Pro will be in a separated day from the Ne-Waza, and the big advantage of JJIF is that a new discipline is introduced, which is similar to the full contact Ju-Jitsu, but the rules must be prepared. There will be 4 medals and the idea is to make the medal ceremony during the open ceremony. He mentioned also that it is important to raise the standards of the major JJIF events in world and continental level as if there are not well organized events JJIF cannot find sponsors.

Ad 12 Referee Evaluation Results

Ms Claudia Behnke stated that as it has already been discussed and proposed, JJIF made an evaluation of the referees during the World Championship in Athens, when in total 24 referees were evaluated. She presented the evaluation sheet which is also published in the JJIF Webpage and which is based on the criteria that already exist in the Duo system by rules and she noted that in the majority, the evaluators agreed on what are a point and a point given and there were only a half of points different in the results. Regarding the Duo System she evaluated the way of scoring, by mentioning her opinion that is not clear the way that the evaluation criteria lead to a final mark. For the fighting system, she noted that the statistics lead to the fact that the JJIF Referee is capable. She mentioned also that in average the Referees give correct scores and the evaluators were also quite satisfied with the control on the mat, the position of the Referees and the contact with the side referees. She concluded by saying that she will need more data and the outcome is that in general the Referees were positive to criticism and satisfied and that a coach or an athlete can be also an evaluator of the Referees with the same results.

The JJIF President clarified that in the evaluation system of the referees the evaluator has not only to concentrate on the ability of the referee but also in the evaluation of the presentation of the sport by the referee and the evaluation of whether the rules are applied. He was of the opinion that different groups of evaluators must be used; they should be anonymous and the results must be afterwards analyzed by Technical Commission. He also mentioned that the evaluation of the Referees should be a separated task; JJIF has to educate people to evaluate when it is necessary. He agreed on the point that is useful to use as evaluators coaches and athletes and that JJIF needs special education for special group of people to analyze the evaluations and make

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proposals either to the JJIF Board if it is necessary for changes for the referee, in order to support him and help him to improve himself.

Ad 13

World Beach Games/ Qualifier Series

The JJIF Board decided to place the World Beach Games 2018 in Abu Dhabi 1 week after the Abu Dhabi grand slam in January, together with a referee education course. The first two beach versions that are to be conducted in Greece and Thailand will be used as trials to different formats in order JJIF to adapt changes for the future World Beach events.

The Africa Edition could be conducted in Mauritius in October and after the World Championship in November there will be the Pan-America Edition in Colombia.

The JJIF Sport Director noted that for the World Beach Ju-Jitsu Tournaments format there will be the Ne Waza system with no Gi and it could be the fighting system with Gi, and the Duo system not in three categories but in one, which is Duo mixed and Duo show. He stated that the World Beach Ju-Jitsu Tournaments should have 250 maximum Competitors in order to be easy to organize and handle the event within the timeline, as the beach competition is time limited due to the sun or rain. He also mentioned that there will be a reduction of the number of the referees, as in the fighting system will be only one referee and in the Duo system only 3 referees.

Decision 4-5/2017

The JJIF board approved the concept of Beach Ju-Jitsu events.

Ad 15

Status of the Continental Athlete Commission

Ms Claudia Behnke, head of the JJIF Athletes Commission, reported the status of the Athletes Commissions in the different JJIF Unions. She noted that there was a decision of the Ju-Jitsu Asian Union to implement the Athlete Commission and 8 athletes were appointed or proposed themselves for working in the Asian Athletes Commission. She continued by saying that during the European Championship will be hosted an election for the European Athletes Commission. Regarding the Ju-Jitsu African Union, she noted that Mr. Nuvin Proag, the President of the Ju-Jitsu African Union will also try to set up an Athlete Commission. She mentioned that unfortunately she will not be present to the Pan-American Championship in Mexico,

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so it would be difficult to organize an election there, but she will try during the World Championship in Colombia.

She clarified that she is aware that the JJIF long term goal is to elect a World Athletes Commission but that is a good starting point and will be in attach with all these athletes to give them further details . She concluded by saying that a meeting will be hosted directly after the World Championship for the Athletes Commission and asked the JJIF Board to cover the costs of one night for the athletes to be able to stay one night longer, as during the JJIF Session an Athlete shall be ratified to become JJIF Board Member.

Ad 16

Tournament software

The JJIF Sport Director informed the JJIF Board that he had a meeting with the JJIF President and the Sport Data Company regarding the Tournament software in Sofia, Bulgaria. The JJIF I.T. , Mr. Christophe Lambole evaluated then the different systems in details and his recommendations were to continue with the Company. JJIF needs online registration membership database and SportData Company seems to be able to have an easy interface to the JJIFs already existing interface. He mentioned that SportData is an expert company as they are present in the competition business since 15 years.

Ms Claudia Behnke, was of the same opinion, noting that there is also the possibility for the National Federations to keep their own database and easily import and export data in order to adapt them in their own system.

The JJIF President added that this Company offer also the membership card which can be used instead of printed accreditation cards and which is a marketing tool and also a tool that keeps the costs of organizing and Championships lower. In addition, with marketing and by keeping the cost of participation in the lowest level JJIF can combine the membership card with the registration fee, as it should be substitute to the membership card as it offers automatically registration. He concluded by saying that JJIF will have opportunities of statistics and live streaming. Furthermore, it can also be used for advertisement and sponsor finding purposes.

Decision 4-5/2017

The JJIF Board was in favor of using the services of the SportData Company, and decided to finalize the Contract as soon as the legal aspects of contract are verified.

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Ad 17

Handicap Para-Ju-Jitsu

The JJIF Sport Director proposed to incorporate into the JJIF World Championship the athletes with disabilities. The idea is to involve one duo category of Self-Defense where the only criteria for the judging will be the functional Self-Defense independently if it is a person with disability or not, the only necessary requirement must be that the judges are educated enough to consider if it is a functional self defense according to the abilities of the person.

Decision 5-5/2017

The board decided that JJIF will include as soon as possible competition for disabled into the regular championships.

Ad 18

Additional subjects of the participants

Appeal committee

The JJAFU President, Mr. Nuvin Proag, presented a proposal regarding the Appeal Committee, which will enrich with details within the next days. He indicated that with the help of the video footage, the appeal concerns whether to reverse the decision or not that an athlete should be penalized, as the main objective of JJIF is to protect athletes. It is also in their own interest of the referees to have such a mechanism of video footage as it goes to the credibility of their own profession and they can benefit from this. Simply mistakes or wrong decisions will not have necessary an appeal.

The JJEU President, Mr. Robert Perc, indicated that JJIF must have an exact procedure about the appeal in order to avoid different problems with the decision making process. He mentioned also that he will give a feedback from some National Federations referring to the use of video material and also how to handle it.

The JJIF President indicated that JJIF has seen and discussed during the last months the use of cameras and as there are 10 cameras and in combination with the existing proposal to have 1 referee in the tatami for Fighting system and 3 judges in Duo system instead of 5, a referee can be used outside the tatami for the camera to consult and supervise the referee in order to be involved when needed and change a wrong

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decision. In other words, we need a head expert on each mat. Furthermore, JJIF must put a program of education on this system and put a date in which will start working this way as it is not easy to change the system abruptly.

Request for JJIF Affiliation from Haiti Ju-Jitsu Federation

The JJIF Board accepted the Ju-Jitsu Federation of Haiti, as a Provisional Member to the JJIF Family.

Financial Rules

The JJIF President emphasized the importance of finalizing the JJIF financial rules where will be included also the different working Committees budget and the JJIF development budget, as they are obligatory by IOC. He also mentioned that there are several positions that should be with salary, in order to have a functional efficiency. The JJIF General Manager presented a draft of a provisional JJIF budget, including the budget needs for the different JJIF working Committees, the referees, the travel costs for the JJIF Board members and the purchase of official equipment in order to work in more professional conditions. He also added that an assistant of the JJIF General Manager and JJIF Sport Director will be needed that speaks three languages – English, French and Spanish, to work on full time. He mentioned that it is also important for the function, that Ms. Vicky Kontou to work as the executive assistant for the JJIF President and be in contact with the assistant of the JJIF General Management and Sport Director. He then noted that it must be defined whether the JJIF Sport Director will be financially supported by JJIF or JJAU as at the moment he works for Asian Union and volunteers in JJIF. He stated that a budget should be also provided for the JJIF General Manager, The Financial Director and the Administrative Director who at the moment does not exist but at the moment the JJIF Management is able to be handled by the JJIF General Management, the JJIF Sport Director, their assistant and the associated work of the JJIF President assistant.

The JJIF Board Member, Mr. Igor Lanzoni, indicated the need for JJIF to find sponsors, to have media coverage and have the TV rights by emphasizing the need to work with International Partnership.

A common program is the base to contact potential media Partners and shareholders. The implementation of professionals (freelancers) is necessary to handle the issue.

Decision 6-5/2017

JJIF shall compose and adopt a common activity calendar with all major events in JJIF and the Unions.

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International Relations and Education programs

The JJIF President stated that JJIF will try to create an educational program together with the Olympic Academy; JJIF has a partnership with the Pierre de Coubertin Organization and Panathlon Organization, which are the main parts that are dealing with the Olympic ideal. He also added that JJIF tries to have a good collaboration with UNESCO Organization as well, in order to work as much as possible to have a contact with women and children movement organizations. He emphasized that the JJIFs offer to the society should be more general in the sport not specified in the techniques, noting also that this is the part of education which is obligatory from IOC and it is good for an International Federation to have this kind of events. He continued by saying that JJIF has already started to have an agreement of collaboration with other International Federations and works hard in AIMS and together with ARISF to have some common programs in education part. Furthermore, the plan of events that represent education of Ju-Jitsu from the plan of events that represent JJIF must be separated in order to be able to be organized in a regional level where JJIF can support them and it is more flexible and easier to handle.

He concluded by saying that Ju jitsu should be modernized and in many cases changes in the existing rules must be introduced, not rashly but step by step, and be adapted to a universal sport.

For the part of the Referees education, he emphasized that it must be separated in several levels, for the Referees in countries and continents where is less experience where more time and more seminars are needed, and the existing referees who need a refreshment and education in other aspects of their activity as they are experienced and they have a knowledge of the Rules.

With the best regards

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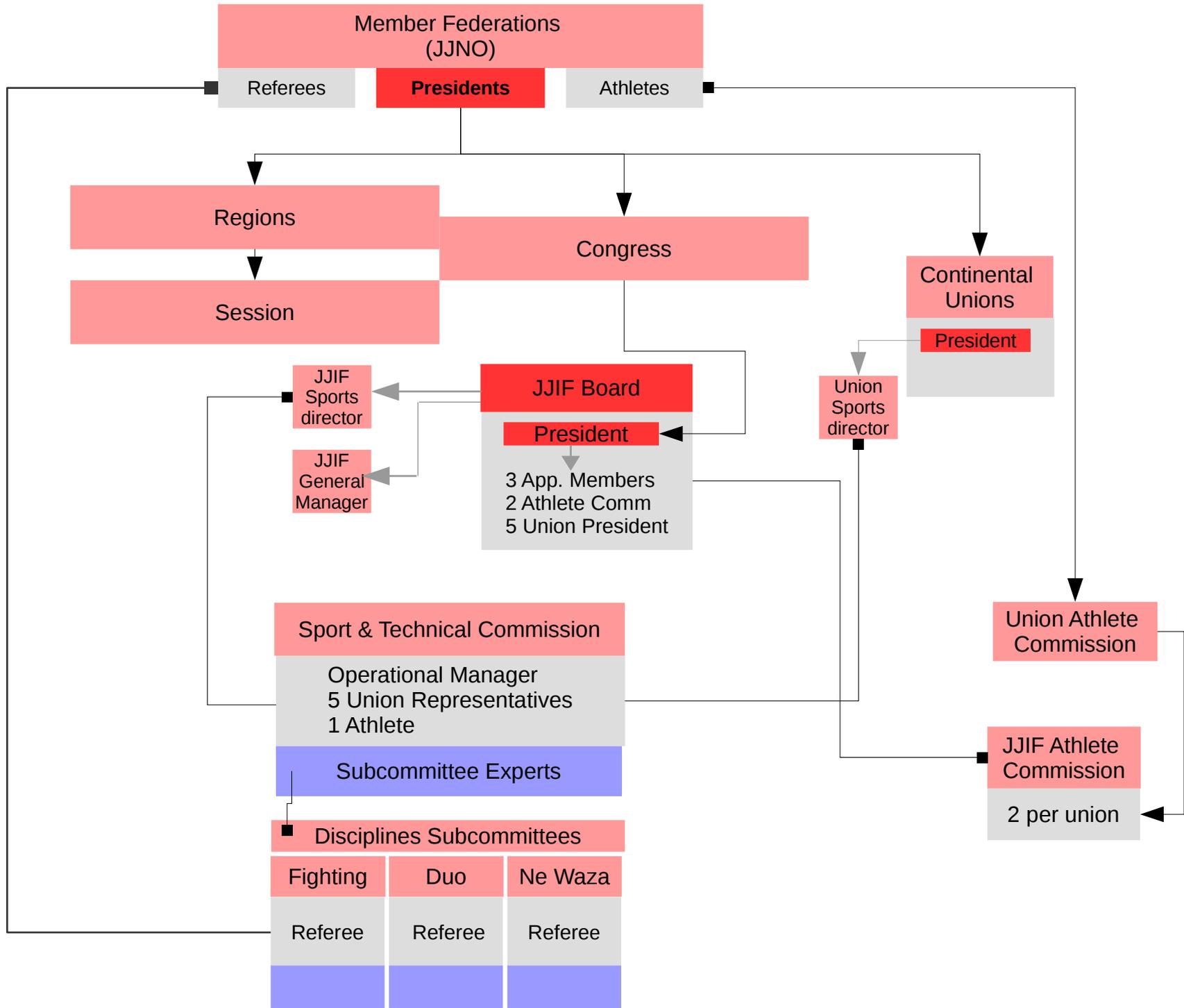
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