



# JJIF *Ju-Jitsu International Federation*

Minutes of the Ju-Jitsu International Federation [ JJIF ] Board Meeting			
04. March 2023		05:00 PM -08:00 PM (Abu Dhabi Time)	Online
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. Faisal Al Ketbi- JJIF Board Member 3. Mr. Trilok Kumar- JJAFU President 4. Mr. Robert Perc- JJEU President 5. Mrs. Maria Charitopoulou - JJIF Board Member	
Attendees with NO voting right		1. Mr. Joachim Thumfart- JJIF Board 2. Mrs. Claudia Behnke – JJIF Sport Director	
Observers (invited)		none	
1. WELCOME by the JJIF President			
	Mr. Panagiotis Theodoropoulos		
JJIF President, Mr. Panagiotis Theodoropoulos welcomed all the members present.			
2. Roll call / Quorum / Minutes			
	Mr. Joachim Thumfart		
5 Members with voting rights are present and the quorum was declared as adequate.			
3 Resignation of Meggie Ochoa			
Discussion	Mr. Thumfart, announced the official resignation of the two JJIF board members Ms. Meggie Ochoa (JJIF Social Responsibility) and Ms. Medha Goodary (Legal Department/Doping Free)		
	Ms. Ochoa stated that she has decided to focus on her athletic career and let go of her commitments to the JJIF Board. While Ms Goodary has taken a new job in her home country and will no longer be able to fulfill her duties as a board member.		
	Although the JJIF president stated that there are currently candidates for the board, but as of now only Mr. Christian Horvath has the qualifications to lead JJ4Good in place of Ms. Ochoa.		
	Therefore, Mr. Panagiotis proposed to appoint Mr. Christian Horvath as successor of Ms. Meggie Ochoa to continue the work for the JJ4good.		
Decision	The JJIF Board unanimously voted to appoint Mr. Christian as successor of Ms. Meggie.		

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4. World Games 2025	
	Mrs. Claudia Behnke
Initial Discussion	<p>Mr. Thumfart explained to the board the qualifications that JJIF has completed while presenting the evaluation ranking of JJIF. (Annex***)</p> <p>Currently Quote of 96 athletes + (additional para)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 8 athletes per category (Fighting/Jiu-Jitsu)</li> <li>• 6 teams for show/Duo mixed</li> <li>• Gender Balance is a mandatory requirement of IWGA</li> <li>• The option to have the same amount Jiu-Jitsu and Fighting categories is to be discussed.</li> </ul> <p>The proposed event in Para Ju-Jitsu (Self-defense / Duo) will be additional and not effect the quota of 96.</p> <p>Also, Ms. Behnke offered an overview of how each discipline's athletes had progressed by year. While the disciplines of Fighting and Jiu-Jitsu have a constant grow in Participation the number of participants from duo and show stay almost constant.</p>
Discussion	<p>Following the Duo development strategy for Asia from 2014, the placement of Show, it was stated that the host country might have better chances to join a show event successfully.</p> <p>The possibility to include a Show event as Gender Open category was discussed elaborated. This would open an option the JJIF competition to all kind of sex and gender regardless the self-identification or legal status especially with huge differences by regions and countries.</p> <p>The President has initiated to have a vote whether they will include Duo and Show in the next World Games or not, he also added that they have to make a decision today itself to declare the categories.</p>
Decision	<p>The JJIF Board unanimously voted to have one "presentation event" Duo or Show in the event. The Board unanimously decided to balance the quota for Jiu-Jitsu and Fighting system equally. The number of entries per division shall be 7 which will give the First Ranked athlete in the seeding a real priority position. Means 6 categories for Jiu- Jitsu (7 Athletes per category), 6 categories for Fighting (7 Athletes per category) plus Show/Duo (12 athletes)</p> <p>The categories were selected according to the data of participation (World Ranking)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adults Fighting Women -52 kg</li> <li>• Adults Fighting Women -57 kg</li> <li>• Adults Fighting Women -63 kg</li> <li>• Adults Fighting Men -62 kg</li> <li>• Adults Fighting Men -69 kg</li> <li>• Adults Fighting Men -77 kg</li> <li>• Adults Jiu-Jitsu Women -52 kg</li> <li>• Adults Jiu-Jitsu Women -57 kg</li> <li>• Adults Jiu-Jitsu Women -63 kg</li> <li>• Adults Jiu-Jitsu Men -69 kg</li> <li>• Adults Jiu-Jitsu Men -77 kg</li> <li>• Adults Jiu-Jitsu Men -85 kg</li> <li>• Jiu-Jitsu Men Open Weight</li> <li>• Jiu-Jitsu Women Open Weight</li> </ul> <p>(In Open weight only athletes which fought in before mentioned categories are allowed as well Fighting athletes with Jiu-Jitsu experience)</p> <p>With 3 vs. 2 votes the board decided to include a gender-neutral Show event into TWG 2025!</p>

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5. Poland- Change of Membership	
Discussion	A change of membership has been proposed for the Polish Sports Ju Jitsu Association.
Decision	JJIF Board has agreed to accept the new member and grant them a provisional membership
6. Transgender Policy	
Discussion	Mr. Thumfart said that based on the document that they have shared to The JJIF board with regards to the Transgender policy the most suitable for the ju jitsu could be the swimming regulations although it is realistically almost impossible to change gender but under sports regulations and as well under sports fair play and under safety issues they would recommend to draft a document close to the FINA rules and regulations.
Decision	Mr. Nuvin is happy and interested to go through it and prepare a draft
7. Duo Rules	
Discussion	Mr. Thumfart asked for a status update for the Duo Rules development. The president claimed that the Duo rules don't need to be changed; all that is required is some systemic adjustments, which must then be submitted and approved.
8. Athletes Commission Election	
Discussion	The Athletes commission and representation shall be elected during the World Championship for Adults in Mongolia.
9. Contact Ju Jitsu Test Event	
Discussion	The scheduled Test competition for the 18. March 2023 in Thessaloniki will be conducted as a workshop and sparring meeting
10. JJAFU African Championship/GA	
Discussion	A task force shall become active in JJAFU and bring the active members together for a sustainable development of the JJCU.
<b><u>Conclusion</u></b>	
The JJIF President addressed the board. He thanked all persons present for their participation. The meeting was thereafter adjourned.	

Online Meeting, 4<sup>th</sup> March 2023

Approved by JJIF President Panagiotis Theodoropoulos

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