

KICKBOXING ONTARIO

2021 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

June 5th 2022

(via ZOOM)

7 pm – 8 pm

APPROVED MINUTES

In attendance – Elevation, Durham MT, Guelph MMA, Armstrong Submission, Kombat Arts, Red Down TKD, Legacy MT, M1, Rise Combat, Black Belt Institute, Golden Tiger, Sudbury MMA, Seito Bugei Juku, Relentless MMA, Limitless MA, Muay Thai Niagara, Valhalla MMA, Bay Area Athletic Club, Horizon TKD, Sudbury KB, North Star MA, Golden Tiger Owen Sound, World Championship MA, Athena MT, ROCKIT, Sisterfit, Round 9, Barhaven MA, DeSantos Martial Arts

1. Welcome - Amanda welcomed all participants of the AGM
2. Confirmed voting participants - Amanda confirmed the 30 voting members of KO.
2. Approval of 2020 AGM minutes and Financials

Amanda requested a motion to approve the 2020 minutes and financials

Bay Area Athletic Club seconded motion

No abstentions

Motion carried

3. Approval of Agenda

Amanda requested a motion to approve the 2021 Agenda

Bay Area Athletic Club seconded motion

No abstentions

Motion carried

4. Motion to maintain Board for 2022-2023

Muzammal recommended that the Board for the previous term be continued for a second two year term. The rationale was that there was so little activity due to COVID restrictions that we needed to provide the group another cycle to continue the work carried on with government.

Amanda requested a motion to approve the 2020 minutes and financials

DeSantos Martial Arts seconded motion

No abstentions

Motion carried



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5. KO Review

Amanda provided an review of the years activity:

- a. KO along with WAKO worked very hard during COVID to advocate for clubs
- b. The lobbying got clubs to be allowed to open during some of the lockdown periods
- c. The lobbying got us funding to clubs
- d. Ontario Winter Games is now set for 2023.
We will host one additional tryout for some new athletes
Final camp will be in January
Games will be Feb 9-12
- e. One issue we need to address is officiating that we will speak about later
- f. Excited to see so many club shows in the remainder of 2022

6. WAKO Canada Review

Muzammal provided a background for the years activity and plans for the future:

- a. Kickboxing growth is unprecedented
- b. BC, Alberta, Quebec, Eastern Canada, Yukon are all areas we are working with to secure government recognition

IMMAF agreement has been formulated and will keep us moving forward
There is discussions with WBC to support their work in jurisdictions where permitted.

2023 is our 20th year anniversary – we are looking at some major events

Portal is in test mode – some clubs will be emailed requests for starting the portal system for the renewal in September. Hope to live soon after that in 2023.

We have gotten behind on a number of admin fronts in the past year.
A new staff is coming on board in July that will hope to elevated the work load

7. Discussion of WAKO Canada Athlete classification

Muzammal raised the challenge of classifications for athletes at competitions. The big issue being difficulty for open class athletes getting bouts. Wolfgang (Guelph MMA) suggested that we allow bouts with athletes within 5 bouts experience. The Board indicated that we would strike up a committee to examine the issue and report back to the KO Executive.



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10. Discussion of Officials fees increase

WAKO Canada Board has approved an increase in official's fees and travel expenses due to the increase in the cost of living. The fee structure will now be \$150 Chief Officials, \$100 Referees, \$0.55/km for all officials. This will come into play July 1st 2022.

11. Discussion of WAKO IF membership

There is a new process for WAKO IF membership that will require a small fee for all members of WAKO Canada. The funds will be used by WAKO IF to secure our bid to become an Olympic sport. The fee will cover expenses associated with the costs associated with our bid.

This process will be initiated July 1st 2022.

12. Wrap Up

*Amanda requested a motion to close the 2021 AGM
World Championship MA seconded motion
No abstentions
Motion carried*

Minutes Approved – June 12th 2022



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