

Northwest Yudanshakai Board of Examiners
September 30, 2016
Hampton Inn & Suites at Tacoma Mall
8203 Hosmer St., Tacoma, WA 98408

- I. Meeting of the Board of Examiners called to order at 6:08pm
Attendees: Harai, Jason; Hirota, Mark; Koyama, Julie; Mackey, Bert; Nagai, Karen; Purcell, Delynn; Purcell, Mike; Schab, Rob; Ex officio: Schaedler, John;
Guests: Christianson, David; Engel, Craig; Harai, Cheryl; Harai, John; Lo, Alan; Lo, Patrick; Los Banos, Lopaka; Los Banos, Lukela; Marcella, Michael; Mera, Yuko; Mizuki, Leslie; Monroe, Allen; Nelson, Gordon; Ogden, Fred; Reynolds, Tim; Scrol, Aaron; Sullivan, Michael;
- II. Motion made and approved to accept minutes from May 27, 2016 meeting
- III. Old Business
Quality of submissions has improved; more timeliness needed submitting applications; to claim competitor status, you must qualify as A, B, C or D level competitor; you must gain the points, just to claim that you are a competitor because you enter tournaments, doesn't qualify; if you are going to claim matches and points in a tournament, the tournament must be a sanctioned one;
There have not been any national meetings nor USJF Board of Examiners meetings since we met in May; at the national level, USJF reduced the time in grade requirement for Shodan for non-competitors from three to two years, and for competitors as well but added teaching or coaching certification as a requirement; NWJY allows us to take advantage of the requirements, if the candidate meets the old requirements, that is acceptable; our last group of promotions were approved at the national office; we have authority up to godan in NWJY, but when the new requirements are published, we will be held to the new requirement;
Discussion to develop standardized criteria for promotion; we were going to review what clubs were doing; please send promotion criteria from your club; Shufu has a comprehensive form; NWJY has always accepted the recommendation from the club; all the criteria is online at the USJF site; Mike Purcell was willing to coordinate; Hudson YDK requires attending a promotional tournament and in Shufu YDK, you take a written test; everyone has their own criteria, how many follow the USJF Handbook;
- IV. Standards
If background check isn't passed, members of a national committee are informed and proceed to investigate; Devin Cohen, Kristofer Larson, Julie Koyama; if it is a crime that involves children, the head instructor will be notified;

- V. New Business –no new club applications have been submitted; Mike Purcell reported that the US Kodokan Committee has a website and he will gladly continue to serve as facilitator; be sure to submit a copy of your rank certificate with your promotion application;

Applications for promotion were reviewed and action taken:

Brousseau, Evan, Seiwakan, Shodan, passed
Gore, Randal, SWOCC, Shodan, passed
Mukaida, Frank, SWOCC, Shodan, passed
Shull, David, Whatcom, Shodan, passed
Standaert, Jacob, WWU, Shodan, passed
Werthamer, Ari, Seiwakan, Shodan, passed
Jackson, David, Columbia, Nidan, passed
Pham, Nathan, Obukan, Nidan, passed
Sterling, Scott, Columbia, Nidan, passed
Ogden, Fred, Oak Tree, Godan, passed
Stevens, Travis, Ippon, Godan, passed
Mackey, Bert, Budokan, , Shichidan, passed

- VI. Adjournment
Motion made and accepted to adjourn at 7:00pm.