

**Southern California Division, USFA,
Membership Meeting**

February 20, 2016, 4:00 pm
Northridge, CA (CSUN, Student Gym)

Present: Tigran Shaginian (Chair), Clare Deffense (Vice-Chair), James Beihold (Treas.), Az Mikayelyan (Secretary), Sorah Shin (member, present part of time)

The meeting was called to order at about 4:20. The first order of business was approval of the minutes of last year's annual membership meeting. Approved by unanimous acclamation.

Next were nominations. The following nominations for officers/directors for the upcoming 2016-2017 fiscal year were made, seconded and carried:

- Tigran Shaginian, nominated for Chair
- Clare Deffense, Vice-Chair
- James Beihold, Treasurer
- Sorah Shin, Secretary [note, Ms. Shin has since removed her name from nomination for Secretary]

Also nominated (M/S/C) to serve as directors: Phil Hareff, Tim Robinson, Vadim Ayupov, Jae Sang, Karen Lieu, Tigran Shaginian, Clare Deffense, James Beihold and Sorah Shin. Officers and directors, including those nominated at this meeting, will be elected at the annual membership meeting, July 16, 2016, 3:00 pm, 132 S. Glenoaks Blvd, Burbank.

Also discussed and approved:

M/S/C -- Members must be physically present at membership meetings in order to vote.

James Beihold, Treasurer, provided a mid-year report showing a \$1,945 year to date loss; with \$13,891 remaining in the Division's bank account.

Following the Treasurer's report, the members discussed and approved UCLA's request for sanctioning their annual Okawa Open tournament.

Members also discussed and approved (M/S/C, unan.) policies, procedures and rates for the rental of the Division's grounded strip mats. The following rates were approved:

Member clubs, \$100/day per mat, plus \$50 per mat for each additional day;
Non-member clubs, \$200/day per mat, plus \$100 per mat for each additional day.
Refundable deposits will be collected to insure against loss or damage in the amounts of \$100 per strip mat, plus \$100 per strip set (boxes, reels).

Also discussed and approved (M/S/C, unan.) that the Division will budget and pay up to \$20 per strip for an armorer to inspect the mats and equipment after each return, and sign off on an inspection/rental sheet to be developed for this purpose. Security deposits will be returned only after receiving a clean inspection from the armorer; otherwise they may be used to pay for any loss or damage. (Member clubs still will be responsible for any additional costs incurred above the security deposit amounts.)

The members discussed the possibility of the Division purchasing equipment carts developed by Tigran Shaginian; however, the proposal was tabled for further information.

Meeting Adjourned,
Respectfully Submitted,

Clare Deffense (Acting Secretary)(minutes developed from notes provided by Az Mikayelyan)