

Jodo bu AGM meeting 9th July 2016

Chair: Al Colebourn, bucho

- 1) Apologies for absences: Dan Silk, Jill Wacey, Peter and Elena West
- 2) Minutes of AGM 2015 meeting and matters arising - minutes accepted with 3 abstentions
- 3) Summary of year: Al apologised for lack of attendence at his own events due to relocating abroad. There had been a good turn out for spring seminar and nationals. Financial performance a lot better: the bu saved a lot of money by splitting from iai in nationals, and the West Mids and spring seminar were profitable. Only kangeiko is not profitable and Darlington is marginally profitable. Al also warned that the 2016 summer seminar may not be profitable
- 4) Bu expressed thanks for £2.5k cash injection from CS funds as per member's vote, the bu had a good financial result last year. Budget for 2017 predicts a surplus, up to the new bucho to decide what to do with it
- 5) Membership report: 227 members, a small increase in last year
- 6) Grading officer report: 4 gradings held, 39 members successful, an increase on last year
- 7) Squad trainer's report – new squad manager (Ally Mihaylova) co-opted after George Valkov stood down owing to family pressures, vote of thanks awarded. Performance in national events has historically been good but then the best players got promoted out or moved to Japan. Performance since then has been spirited but not successful, perhaps owing to overreliance on one dojo. Regional representation now seen in events and in national squad, and bu has seen steady increase in results. Competition is much stronger overseas but things are improving. Document called 'developing UK jodo' posted on website, values of sending a squad to EJC reiterated. Meeting noted that Shakir Rahman raised £500 grant from his local council, Ed Marshall also obtained funding
- 8) Budget: event fees tend to be £5 per day more than iai bu, will continue with this. Subscription rates increased last year to £20 for full member and £10 for junior/concessions and Al proposed that this rate continue. Accepted unanimously.
- 9) Officers and teachers were thanked for running events on reduced or zero expenses, effectively contributing hundreds of pounds each.
- 10) Budget almost identical as previous year, with a large summer seminar event.

11) Jodo DRC meeting: no compliants received. It was agreed that more promotion of the art was needed at dojo level, and it was up to DRCs to lead local development

12) Election of officers:

- a. Al thanked the officers for keeping the bu running, especially events and grading officers (Dan and Kris), the cashier (Stojanka), and Ed and Jenny for fundraising, and David Parker for website support
- b. Dan Silk and Kris Poslusna reelected unopposed
- c. Al Colebourn announced he was stepping down as bucho, Stojanka Vidinic was only nomination and therefore elected bucho
- d. Vote of thanks proposed to Al Colebourn for role as bucho and previous roles
- e. Ed Marshall is new bu cashier

13) Stojanka closed the meeting