

9 August 2017

[This letter has been amended on September 5, 2017 to correct the time at which the Constitutional Meeting will be held.]

Re: Constitutional Changes Proposal

Dear Member,

A Constitutional Meeting has been scheduled for Sunday, September 10, 2017 to take place immediately before the 2017 AGM at the Pan Am Sports Centre which will begin at 11:00am or immediately upon completion of the AGM to run for approximately an hour. I have been the Chair of the Legal Committee since 2011 and will be chairing this Constitutional Meeting.

The following proposal to amend Section 4 has been put forward by member Tony Kelly, duly seconded and supported by five members in good standing and to be dealt with at the Constitutional Meeting:

Current clause in Judo Ontario By-laws:

4.3 TERM

4.3.1 Length of term

Subject to Clause 4.3.3(a) below, each Executive shall be elected to hold office for a period of two (2) years or until his successor shall have been duly elected. The Vice-President (Regions) elected pursuant to Sub-section 12.3.2 shall be deemed to have been elected at the general meeting of Members at which other Executives are elected in accordance with Clause 4.3.3(c) below.

4.3.2 Maximum number of terms

An Executive may not hold the same office or position for more than two (2) consecutive terms.

Proposed Change - Removal of sub-clause 4.3.2

Proposed amended clause in Judo Ontario By-laws:

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Reason for the proposed change:

There has been a decided lack of candidates vying for positions with Judo Ontario over the past several years. Ensuring that volunteers have the appropriate expertise and skill set for the various positions is critical. Existing Board members will be better equipped to continue positive momentum or direction on strategic initiatives. If someone is willing to volunteer the amount of time that is needed to keep our sport alive and healthy, we should not restrict the number of terms that they can run.

Thank you in advance for your time and attention in Judo Ontario's constitutional matters.

In the future, if you have any constitutional changes that you would like to propose to the Board for consideration, please feel free to forward them to my attention at Judo Ontario and I will ensure that they get to the next Executive Committee meeting.

Regards,

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