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Re: Constitutional Changes Proposal

Dear Member,

A Constitutional Meeting has been scheduled for Sunday, September 8, 2019 to take place immediately after the 2019 AGM at the Pan Am Sports Centre from 11:00am to 12:30pm. I have been the Chair of the Legal Committee since 2010. I will be chairing this Constitutional Meeting.

The following proposals have been put forward by the Board (and they will be dealt with in this order at the Constitutional Meeting):

1. Section 4.1.2 of the Constitution be removed;
2. Section 4.4.4 of the Constitution be amended by replacing “as the announcement of the Annual General Meeting” with “as the email ballots are issued”;
3. Section 4.4.5 of the Constitution be amended by replacing “A Member may submit their request in writing to the official Judo Ontario mailing address if the Member prefers to vote by mail, instead of the online voting described in section 4.4.4. Such written request will only be effective if the written request is received within ten (10) calendar days of the date of the announcement of the Annual General Meeting” with “As all voting will be done online it is critical for all black belts to have a unique email address in the online membership registration system. Members who share an email address in the membership registration system shall inform Judo Ontario of a unique email address to receive their ballots at either the official location mailing address or the official office email within ten (10) days of the announcement of the Annual General Meeting. In the event there are still shared e-mail addresses, Judo Ontario will select which member will receive the email ballot and the other Members sharing the email address will not receive the ballot. When selecting which Member to receive the ballot Judo Ontario shall give preference to Dojoshus to receive the ballot at that email address”;



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4. Section 4.3.1 of the Constitution to be amended by removing “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”;
5. Section 4.4.3 of the Constitution be amended by replacing “Vice President (Regions)” with “Vice President (Inclusion & Gender Equality”;
6. Section 4.3.4 of the Constitution be amended by removing “with the exception of the Vice-President (Regions)” and “The Vice-President (Regions) shall be elected by the six (6) Regional Representatives.”;
7. Section 5.11 of the Constitution be amended by renaming the section to “DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT – INCLUSION & GENDER EQUITY” and by replacing the current text with “The Vice-President – Inclusion & Gender Equity shall be responsible for ensuring Judo Ontario’s policies and procedures allow for inclusion for as many people as possible. In addition, the Vice-President – Inclusion & Gender Equity shall chair a Regions Committee, made up of a representative from each Region. He shall prepare and keep current or have prepared and kept current a model set of by-laws for the Regions. He shall monitor Regional activities to ensure conformance with the Regional by-laws with special emphasis on elections. He shall represent the Regions individually or collectively on the Executive Committee.
8. Section 6.2(d) of the Constitution be amended by removing “or the Regional Representatives decline to accept an appointment under (c) above” and “”.
9. Section 6.2(c) of the Constitution be removed and section 6.2 be re-alphabetized;
and
10. Section 12.3.2 be removed.

The Board has put much thought and debate into the above proposals and I look forward to assisting any discussions to my best ability at the Constitutional Meeting. Thank you in advance for your time and attention in Judo Ontario's constitutional matters.



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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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