



AJKA-I PUERTO RICO

MEETING MINUTE

Date: Friday - October 18, 2024,
Location: Quebradillas, Puerto Rico

Attendees:

1. Sensei Avi Azoulay
2. Sensei Freddy López
3. Sensei Marcia LaSalle
4. Sensei Ricardo Rodríguez

Agenda:

1. Reorganization of AJKA-I Puerto Rico.
2. 2025 AJKA-I Winter Camp.

Proceedings:

Meeting called to order at 9:30 pm.

As first order, Sensei Azoulay explains that to ensure the success of the organization in the Island, formal positions should be established with a description of its duties and responsibilities. The duties and responsibilities discussed during the meeting shall be interpreted as guidelines and recommendations.

Sensei Azoulay recommended Sensei Freddy López for the position of President of the AJKA-I Puerto Rico. As part of the responsibilities of this position, the President shall dedicate his efforts on the growth of the organization through continuous group work and assignments to support the organizations goals. Ensuring that the mission of the organization is executed. The President shall provide guidance and encouragement to all AJKA-I Puerto Rico members. Actively work alongside each Dojo Instructor towards the organization's objective. The President shall use social media and local advertisements to promote future events and dojo activities.

Sensei Azoulay recommended Sensei Marcia Lasalle for the position of Director of Competitions. The Director of Competitions oversees the competition team members selection, training program (fitness, kumite and kata training), attendance, equipment and attire (team gear, jackets and equipment). Also, the Director of Competitions has the responsibility of establishing and coordinating training dates, locations and/or venues. The Director of Competitions shall review and explain to the team members event regulations and all competition matters. Sensei Azoulay recommends that each team member should sign an agreement to ensure a commitment with training and event participation.

Sensei Azoulay recommended Mr. David Maldonado as Assistant to the Director of Competitions. Mr. Maldonado shall provide assistance to the Director in the organization of competition events, training and all matters concerning the team members. *(Note: This matter was discussed with Mr. Maldonado on October 19, 2024)*

Sensei Azoulay recommended Sensei Ricardo Rodríguez for the position of Technical Director. The Technical Director oversees the correct and technical aspects of Karate Kihon and Kata according to the AJKA-I standards, such as: maintaining the human development (Budo) aspect of Karate; maintaining the tradition of Shotokan Karate and the principles given by Sensei Gichin Funakoshi, Masatoshi Nakayama and Leslie B. Safar, coordinating AJKA-I international activities; and, adhering to the ethics and standards expected from the International Technical Director that may be established by the Board of Directors and/or the Judicial-Ethics Committee.

Other Business:

Concerning the 2025 Winter Camp, different aspects were discussed related to organization, Sensei Safar's hotel reservation, agenda and venue.

Puerto Rico shall be host to an AJKA-I tournament in 2025. Sanbon Ippon rules will apply. The tournament will be open to other traditional Karate styles. October was established as a provisional date for the event.

Sensei Azoulay recommends social activities outside of the Dojo. The Organization shall coordinate activities to promote comradery within the students and members.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 pm (approximately)
Minutes submitted by Ricardo Rodríguez