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KSKA General Assembly 2023 Meeting Minutes

Date: Saturday 10th October 2023
Time: 16.00hr
Venue: Sportshall Dippoldiswalde

Agenda

- 1. Shihan Dirk Heene gave the Presidents welcome address**
- 2. Register of attendance / verification of entitled voters**

Members in attendance:

Dirk Heene, Jim Martin, Michaylo Fedyk, Pasquale Petrella, Juan Pablo Delgado, Nico Ibscher, Livia Castro, Tom Van Achte, Guido Roelants, Martin Tietz, Arie Glicksman, Uwe Knoth, Leonardo Schwarz, Armando Reis, Felix Croonenberghs, Jos Mattheus, Willem Bertels (17 members attending).

- 3. Officers reports**

Report of the President

Since Sensei Kase passed away, almost 20 years, a Shihankai and an executive committee are running the KSKA. Still we have this Academy keeping this tradition, the ideas led by people who have trained for many years with O Sensei. Of course an influence and personal opinions were developed by the trainers. On a regular base we discuss and exchange opinions in the circle of the Shihankai. But also advice of the senior graduated members of the Academy are respected. It is not easy to combine what is considered as tradition and as creative development. The attendance of the Gasshuku's and the organised courses led by shihankai-members is the best way to keep updated. But also local courses like the Kase memorial, the Cadiz course, the autumn course in Ham, courses in Glasgow and Finland and the Fuyu-Keiko are strongly recommended. We have to keep the creativity and the variation in the local dojo's supported by the inspiration of the dojo sensei's. Please use the Newsletter organised by Tom Van Achte to announce and report your courses. Of course internet and facebook are world wide spread info, but only the KSKA-Newsletter is a reference.

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Everybody uses Facebook, mentioning references to Sensei Kase even if they never trained with him. Some people left the KSKA and the Shihankai for individual and economical reasons and even pretend to know better and even talk about the “real” Kase Ha. Remember: there is only “one” Kase Ha.

It is a fundamental aspect of a school or Academy to stay critical and self-reflected. We can talk and ask inside the courses and exchange experience by training and working together. Of course travelling is expensive now, but we should keep the contact and the friendship by charring our courses over the limits of the borders. We are very grateful for the confidence of so many members and wish to continue and progress together and see each other again in May, in Liverpool, in the spirit of Sensei Kase.

Dirk Heene, President of KSKA and member of the Shihankai

After this report Shihan Dirk Heene announced that he will most likely resign as President of the KSKA at the end of this period (which ends in 1 year from now).

Report of the Secretary

Tom Van Achte wished to thank his colleagues on the KSKA Executive and Shihankai for their valued support over the past 12-months, where it is a pleasure working alongside them.

Tom Van Achte thanked those who have already contributed to the KSKA News Letters, whilst requesting further members to submit articles for inclusion in future issues in order to maintain the current momentum.

Members were invited to promote their domestic courses (with Shihankai members teaching) by providing a copy of the course advertisement to the Secretary to launch on the KSKA website.

Members were also requested to inform the Secretary of any changes to their contact email address in order to remain in-touch also to ensure that members receive their digital link to the KSKA News Letters.

Report of the Treasurer

Livia Castro presented to the meeting copys of the latest accounts (2022) that show a positive balance together with an explanation as to why this has occurred.

Content of the accounts are believed fully transparent.

Acceptance of the accounts were proposed and accepted by the meeting.

The membership and examination fees will remain as they are for next year.

Auditors Report

Prior to the meeting, 2 Belgian Members (Felix Croonenberghs and Guido Roelants) checked all documents and accounts in detail and fully approved.

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4. Election of Executive Officers

KSKA Vice President

Jim Martin volunteered his services to continue in the post of KSKA Vice President for a further period of two years. There were no other candidates proposed by the Shihankai, elected unopposed by the voting members.

After the re-election Jim Martin announced that he will most likely resign as Vice President of the KSKA at the end of this period (which ends in 2 years from now).

KSKA Treasurer

Livia Castro volunteered her services to continue in the post of KSKA Treasurer for a further period of two years. There were no other candidates proposed by the Shihankai, elected unopposed by the voting members.

5. Any Other Business

None arising

As there was no further business the meeting then closed at 16.20hr