

NANAIMO SHOTOKAN KARATE-DO ASSOCIATION

MINUTES FOR 2021 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

ZOOM, 25 APRIL 2021 AT 7 P.M.

Attendance: Sensei Doug, Sensei Mark, Sempai Mark, Jenn, Cindy, Robyn, Christian, Kathleen (notes)

1. **AGM called to order**

Robyn called to order at 7:04pm.

2. **Opening remarks by President Robyn Surgenor-Baird**

It's been a year of new challenges in the face of the pandemic, but our Senseis (Mark D and Doug Rathy), Sempai Mark T, Jen, and Kathleen have done a phenomenal job of navigating these uncharted waters. Thanks to all of you our kids and youth have the opportunity to train with safety protocols in place; and I think our club provides much-needed routine, structure, and a sense of community for our members. The planning and implementation of Covid safety procedures is excellent, and we are all so grateful that our members can continue to benefit from training together and continuing to learn and pursue the art of Shotokan Karate. Thank you to all of you.

3. **Comments and reflection from Sensei Mark Deugau and Sensei Doug Rathy**

Sensei Mark – It's been a tough year with restrictions except for children and youth classes. Most kids came back to training. We're not accepting new members other than family members of current students, until COVID dies down a bit. Thanks to Sempai Mark for helping out so much. We're looking at outside training at the end of June; we can get adults and kids out, but have to keep group side down. Hopefully with vaccine rollout happening, we'll get back to a new normal. ShotoCanada has started doing virtual dan gradings. We're not having summer camp again this year. Still undecided as to B&B in fall; decision coming soon.

Sensei Doug – Thanks Sensei Mark and Sempai Mark for stepping up while he's been building his house. Looking forward to getting back to training. Thanks to those who are keeping the club running.

4. **Review of 2021 AGM Agenda**

No additions.

5. **Review of Financial Statements for year ended 31 January 2021**

We're financially alright because so many people paid ahead. We've got ~\$11K in regular account, ~\$4700 in our gaming account. Few dues are coming in from now to August. We'll need to see who returns in September.

Motion to approve the financial statements: Kathleen, 2nd by Cindy

6. **Budget Update**

Most adults aren't requesting a credit and kids are mostly rolling dues forward. Worst case, we owe \$1500 back to people who pre-paid dues.

The biggest expense we have with COVID is rent. Rental cost has doubled, \$2700 every four months. We're paid up until June. July and August will be outside. Hopefully we can get back to Departure Bay School if the school district opens up access in September. No advertising right now, because we're not accepting new members. Some minor expenses for Sensei registration fees for Karate BC, ShotoCanada; postage; gi. No huge expenses that are out of line. Biggest expense is facility rental. Kathleen and I will do the gaming grant application this year again. If we don't get it, we can cover up until June 2022. We have an extra year to spend the gaming grant we got last year. We haven't used any of the money from last year, but won't be penalized for not doing so in our application this year.

7. Election of Officers:

No elections needed. Everyone enters their 2nd year of their terms.

Motion to accept by Robyn, 2nd by Doug.

8. Any other business

Cindy expresses appreciation to those keeping the club running and in-line with BC health guidelines. Call on her if anything is needed. Kathleen will follow up with Cindy re: stopping Google calls to club phone number.

9. Motion to adjourn the AGM

Motion to adjourn by Kathleen, 2nd by Robyn. Meeting adjourned at 7:32pm.