

Promotion Board Meeting December 5, 2014

Claremont, California

Meeting called to order by Chairman Smith at 2:25 pm

Members Present:

Ernie Smith

Walter Dean

Gary L. Monto

Ronald Allen Charles

Hayward Nishioka

Excused

Lynn Roethke

Absent

Jessie Goldstein

Promotions:

Allen E. Johnson to 6th Dan

Russell Burke to 7th Dan

Tadashi Hiraoka to 8th Dan

The board held a discussion on the new promotion system and when it will take effect. The clubs can still use the old system until the end of March 2015. Then the new system will be the only system they can use for new promotion. Until then members can choose which system they want to use.

It was suggested that each coach buy a new promotion book as this system is totally different from the one in use today. Also it was stated that ALL examiner must become aware of the new requirements (need to purchase a new promotion book).

The board voted to rescind the policy of making a promotion within 45 days or the member was automatically promoted.

We also held a discussion concerning promoting members just because they are alive. The new systems takes into account for this type of promotion and the time requirement is several years longer (but they can still be promoted). Providing they meet all requirements including activities commensurate with the level of rank being considered. The higher the rank the higher the level of activity required. We made a point to say those that perform at local levels only may not be considered for ranks deemed to be at high level of activity.

Chairman Smith closed the meeting at 3:35 pm

Respectfully Submitted

Gary L. Monto

Secretary