

EJF General Assembly Minutes of Jan. 7, 2012

Beginning at 7:15 p.m.

Item I: Opening of the Assembly

The president, Barbara Meroni, opens the Assembly and greets the participants, and she also asks that the minutes of the last Assembly which is available on the website be accepted by the audience.

Item II: Election of scrutators

Jean-Louis Martin and Shanti Tuinstra accept to be the scrutators during the Assembly. They count 93 persons to be present.

Item III: President's Report

The president greets the members who are present and wishes them all the best for the new year. Barbara highlights the new seminars that took place this year (Basel with Jean-Pierre Pahud, Rüsselsheim with Yves Galley) and mentions also the seminars that have already a certain tradition such as Prague for the 15th time, Iles de Lérins, Guadarrama, and Fribourg. Barbara thanks also Andrew Poulos who had organized a seminar in Australia. Barbara now gives the floor to our vice-president Helga.

Item IV: Vice-President's Report

Helga expresses her thanks to all those who were responsible for the Zinnowitz Gasshuku which was very successful despite the rain. Helga thanks also those who organize local seminars, Helga also apologizes in her function as webmaster that she is not always able to update the EJF website regularly.

Item V: Treasurer's Report

The accounts are correct and well managed. As every year, the wealth of the EJF has increased. The number of the active EJF members remains stable this year slightly below 400 members.

Item VI: Controllers' Report

The controllers Jean-Claude Hamel and Jean-Pierre Pahud state that the accounts are correct and well managed. They ask the Assembly to accept the present accounts. (the next controllers are Nathalie Kopitko and Christian Zaandt)

Item VII: Vote of Acceptance of Items I to VI

Items I to VI are accepted unanimously.

Item VIII: Election of the new Committee

The whole committee is re-elected.

President : Barbara Meroni

Vice-president : Helga Wurth

Treasurer : Yves Galley

Secretary : Jérôme Seydoux

Director of the technical board: Pascal Krieger

Item IX: Technical Board's Report

PK is pleased about the financial health of the EJF which he thinks is due to the fact that the teachers do not receive any compensation except the traveling expenses as well as the expenses for accommodation during the seminar. The federation's money can help to develop the Jo, for example in Sankt Petersburg where a Jodo group now exists with the assistance of Patrik Orth. This money was also used to help to organize seminars in Finland, Germany and Canada. The federation will therefore continue its policy to assist small Jodo groups.

PK announces that Phil Relnick has left the International Jodo Federation (IJF), but the federation still includes people in Malaysia, Australia, and America. However, those who continue to follow Phil Relnick are free to continue with the IJF if they so want.

PK expresses his thanks to all the teachers. He also thanks especially Jaff Raji who is not an official teacher, but who has managed to attract quite a lot of new Jo practitioners. PK has also held a seminar with him in Portland (Oregon) with a group that follows Jaff.

Item X: Miscellaneous

Yves Galley presents the International Jodo Gasshuku which will take place in Broc from July 28 to August 4, 2012.

Alain Robert presents the European Gasshuku 2013 which will take place in Mâcon from July 27 to August 3, 2013.

As for the European Gasshuku in 2014, PK asks the persons in the audience to suggest a locality during the next Kagamibiraki which will take place during the weekend of January 4-5-6, 2013.

Item XI: Date of the next General Assembly

January 5, 2013

The General Assembly is closed at 7:55 p.m..