**Attendees:**

**BAF**

Phil Hadfield, Sue yates, David Yates, Peter Gillard, Nick Belshaw, Anthony R\*\*\*\*\*

**KAA**

Terry Ezra, Alan Fleet, Jeremy Garrison, Kiran Doyle, Stephen Jones

**DAN**

John Emmerson

**UKA**

Gordon Jones, Rachel Croft-Jones, Guy Needler

**Azami Kai**

Neil Blacknell

**Apologies**

David Yates, Philip Smith

1. **Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held in Birmingham 13th January 2013 were approved by those present.

1. **Election of Officers**

Chairman and General Secretary’s positions are due for election. The Treasurers position is due for election 2016.

The following were re-elected into the positions until 2018:

**Chairman:** Gordon Jones, **Gen Sec:** Guy Needler, **Treasurer:** David Yates. All were proposed by John Emmerson and seconded by Peter Gillard

1. **Financial report of JAC – year ending 31st January 2015**

Effectively, the Joint Aikikai Council (JAC) has been operating with effect from 1 February 2014, the date we commenced our own insurance liabilities, provided by Perkins Slade.

However, a JAC bank account was opened on 22 August 2010, with the HSBC, following meetings being held between organisational representatives, prior to and post the Doshu course held in June 2010.

Between 22 August 2010 and 31 December 2013, very few transactions took place as the JAC were preparing to leave the British Aikido Board and form our own umbrella body. In fact, the only income into the JAC account between those dates was;

* 22 August 2010 UKA - £200 set up figure
* 2 January 2012 BB - £100 set up figure
* 21 February 2012 BAF - £100 set up figure
* 31 October 2012 BAF - £415 JAC course profit

A total of £815

The expenditure during the same period was;

* 3 January 2012 – refund to UKA - £100
* 3 December 2012 – purchase of JAC stamps - £25

This gave a surplus figure of £690 when the JAC became “live” as of 1 February 2014.

**Income and Expenditure**

**Income**

Note £ £

C/F 690.00

Organisation fees 1 1200.00

Members, dojo fees 2 12810.00

Total income 3 14700.00

**Expenditure**  £

Personal accident cover 4 993.06

Public liability cover 5 7322.25

Total expenditure 6 8315.31

Surplus for year end 6384.69

**Notes to the accounts.**

1. Each of the six JAC member organisations paid £200 for officials and committee members cover.
2. The figure represents, in total, all monthly insurance returns submitted by organisational representatives for individual members and dojo insurance cover.
3. Based on the amounts collected; £55 per dojo insurance premium, £2 per individual insurance premium, £2 per individual JAC membership
4. Personal accident cover paid to Perkins Slade 24 May 2014, based on the estimated numbers of individual members of the JAC member organisations throughout the year 2014/15
5. Public liability cover paid to Perkins Slade 17 December 2014 based on the estimated number of individual members and dojos of the JAC member organisations.
6. The actual figure demanded by and paid to Perkins Slade for insurance cover was less than originally quoted at the commencement of the year. The organisation cover was charged at £100 per organisation, the dojo cover was charged at £42 per premises and the individual cover was charged at £1.29p per person.
7. Insurance cover was increased from £5M to £10M per person
8. A potential to reduce dojo insurance to £45 ILO £55 for 2015 is available. Treasurer to advise JAC Member organisations.

**How any profit is used to benefit JAC membership?**

The Consensus was that any surplus funds should be used for the benefit of JAC members but the decision on how this is distributed was deferred to 2016 when the funds should be more (circa £10k). Suggestions were a) subsidised coach courses b) ‘free’ JAC course with Aikikai Shihan, c) purchase JAC mats

1. **Membership report for JAC**

The JAC currently has 1587 members in 114 dojos with 254 instructors and 278 juniors

Each member organisation was asked to identify a representative who would upload all relevant membership and seminar information to the JAC website/ give to the webmaster to add to the website. A calendar function will be made available by the webmaster that will be populated by the representative

Sue requested that each group supply the membership info on the spread sheet that Sue as supplied so all info can be collated efficiently

1. **Expanded Membership of JAC**

In principle the JAC is open to accept other groups.

The JAC will accept applications from 3 groups variants

A) **Direct Membership** to groups with written affiliation status from Aikikai Hombu dojo. (without voting rights for 3 years). This will be directly to the JAC.

B) **Affiliate Membership** to groups with indirect connection to Aikikai Hombu dojo through ‘out of UK’ Shihan thereby having verified Aikikai grades. This will be via membership to a founding JAC Member organisation. There will be no technical input required except attendance at coaching courses for insurance requirements. The foundation groups will act solely as an administrative body. The base JAC member fee will be charged plus £1 per member admin cost.

C) **Affiliate Membership** to groups or a single dojo that aspire to achieve Aikikai ranks/affiliation or have indirect connection to Aikikai Hombu dojo through ‘out of UK’ Shihan thereby having verified Aikikai grades. This will be via sponsored membership to a founding JAC Member organisation. There will be no technical input required except attendance at coaching courses for insurance requirements. Sponsored groups will be mentored in the Aikikai understanding of aikido and will cease any ‘club’ promotions. The JAC will advise on fast track promotions.

The foundation groups will act solely as an administrative body. The base JAC member fee will be charged plus £1 per member admin cost.

The JAC policy documents on membership applications are to be amended by the Gen Sec and approved by the Committee. The details of the policies are to be broadcast to the tree groups who have applied to the JAC for membership.

1. **Discussion on IAF**

No interest expressed for IAF application by the JAC.

1. **Ratification of JAC policies**

The JAC policies and procedures were presented by the Gen Sec taking into account the changes agreed in item 5. These were agreed.

1. **Update on the Sport England Application**

The operational implications of attaining Sport England membership was broadcast and it was agreed that the process would continue to explore to options for a full application when we have two years verified accounts.

The KAA was asked to supply a copy of JG’s document to the JAC Sport England rep for information, comment and collaboration.

1. **UKA 30th Anniversary Seminar with Waka Sensei, 21-23 August 2015**

An executive summary of the progress to date was broadcast. The Gen Sec will email the promotional flyer to the JAC member organisations for further distribution. It was nothed that Apart from Waka Sensei, his Otomo and Kobayashi Sensei, two other Aikikai Shihan would be present.

1. **AOB**

**Coaching**

It was agreed that there would be a coaching sub-committee. The Chairman’s suggestion would be for each JAC member organisation to appoint a coach tutor who would be accepted by the JAC as governing body to award coaching levels. Each coach tutor would hold at least one coaching course per year. These would be, if required, be organisation specific but open to any JAC member. They would be spread through the year and have even geographical distribution.

**Thanks**

A vote of thanks was put forward by John Emmerson for all the work that Sue, Dave and Guy have put into making the JAC progress forward.

**Meeting closed 16:18**

**Minutes compiled by GSN**