

BRITISH AIKIDO BOARD

MINUTES OF MEETING held on Saturday, 15 October 2005 at the Solihull Football Club, Solihull

PRESENT:	V. Sumpter	Chairman
	Mrs S D Timms	Secretary
	Mrs S Ward	Tenchi Ryu
	B. Stockwell	Tenchi Ryu
	K. Sheryn	Tenchi Ryu
	G. Batchelor	Tenchi Ryu
	I. Macaulay	Shun Poo Kan
	A. Roberts	U.K.A.
	D. Yates	B.A.F.
	C. Wallace	Lancashire Aikikai
	I. Grubb	British Aikikai
	T. Yates	British Yoshinkan
	J. Tipping	British Yoshinkan
	K. Denney	Kobayashi Dojo's
	W. Harris	Kai Shin Kai
	G. Masters	Ken Shin Kai
	Mrs D Masters	Ken Shin Kai
	J. Forster	Komyokan Aikido
	S. Billett	Aikido Development Soc
	Miss J. Phelps	Aikido Fellowship
	P. Burgess	British Ki Society
	S. Ells	Aikido Research Fed
	Miss C Mann	K S M B D A
	P. Crowson	K S M B D A
	T. Bayliss	Seijitsu Aikido Ryu
	P. Marsh	Seijitsu Aikido Ryu
	F. Burlingham	Institute of Aikido
	G. Cooke	Yama Arashi
	J. Burn	Yama Arashi
	J. McEnroe	Shinwakai

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from: B. Jones (BAA), P. Cooke (Aikido for Daily Life), P. Mitton (FuroRyu), B. Burrows (Shun Poo Kan), J. Goodwin (Shobu Aikido), J. Mills (Kobayashi), Mr & Mrs Poole (Shinwakai), P. Holding (BAA), R. Reynolds (Aikido Fellowship), Mike Dent (Welsh Aikido Society), P. Barket (Aikido Circle), G. Cotton (Iwama Ryu), J. Emmerson (UK Aikido Union).

No apologies were received from UK Shin Gi Tai, Devon Aikido Association, UKAF, NAF, Kobukan and Shin Gi Tai

2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING - 2 APRIL 2005

Re Agenda item 6. It was agreed that the Management Committee should decide what goes on the website.

Notification of Association run courses will no longer be sent out by mail, but may be added to the BAB website. Associations should send details to J. Burn (Webmaster)
j.burn@clara.co.uk

MINUTES OF LAST MANAGEMENT MEETING - 4 JUNE 2005

Re Agenda Item 10. Aikido for Daily Life will become eligible to be considered for full membership in June 2006. Shobu Aikido remains on probation as their numbers to date are under 100 members, and will be reviewed at the next General Meeting.

ACTION: T. Bayliss

The Chairman was then authorised to sign the above minutes as a true record of those meetings

3. COACHING

G. Cooke advised that a Coaching Children's course is scheduled for 19 November in Margate.

ACTION: G. Cooke

He advised that the new coaching certificates were available to be handed out after the meeting, but stated that they had to be signed for.

Roz Cooke had worked through the night in order that the certificates would be completed in time. A vote of thanks to both Roz and Grev Cooke was unanimously passed by the membership present.

4. CHILD PROTECTION

The final draft of the Child Protection Policy was ratified, now that all the updates had been completed. The Child Protection Policy is on the website and it is strongly recommended that this is downloaded by Associations.

Further work by the Child Protection Officer will be progressed through the Management Committee.

ACTION: D. Burke

5. NSPCC

Tamsin Lancaster and Alice Strudwick from the NSPCC were guest speakers at the Meeting. They outlined to the meeting the benefits of entering into a long term partnership with the NSPCC. They also explained how the various projects they run can involve BAB clubs to promote Aikido giving children opportunities to defend themselves. They also reviewed other options and fund-raising activities and gave an example of local projects which are available, i.e. family support centres which provide trained counselling advice to parents of children with disruptive behavioural problems. The NSPCC will provide a list of these centres to the Secretary, and also agreed to send her a supply of fund-raising packs for distribution to Associations. Members wishing to know more should visit www.nspcc.org.uk.

On behalf of the Meeting, the Chairman thanked the speakers for the presentation and hoped the BAB membership would take advantage of the various fund-raising suggestions when arranging their sponsoring activities.

6. NATIONAL COURSE 2006

The Chairman stated that the BAB had made an application to the NIA to hold next year's 50th Anniversary National Course. The BAB will be advised in January 2006 if the application had been successful. The proposed date for the National Course will be 9 September 2006, but in the event we are unable to hold the course at the NIA, then an alternative venue has been provisionally booked for 7 October, but if this date and venue is used it will not be advertised as a high profile course.

7. CLUB MARK

Brian Stockwell and Sue Ward volunteered to pilot the Club Mark scheme for the BAB. B. Stockwell gave an excellent presentation on the Club Mark scheme, and what clubs will have to do to become Club Mark approved. He advised that Sport England run the Club Mark scheme and set the standards, which is a kite mark of quality of clubs and Associations for those with students under the age of 18.

It is the intention that B. Stockwell and S. Ward will act as accreditation officers for Associations. The presentation can be down loaded from the BAB website. Club Mark will be going live in January 2006.

ACTION: B. Stockwell

J. Phelps proposed a vote of thanks to Brian and Sue, for their hard work in getting the scheme running.

8. WEBSITE

J. Burn advised that for the short term, he is not contactable as he is having problems with BT, but hopes the difficulty will be resolved shortly.

He asked for a list of people who are happy to receive information from other Associations sent from the website.

ACTION: ALL

9. OFFICERS FOR ELECTION (B. JONES)

The Chairman stated that B. Jones (Coaching Development Officer) was due for re-election in 2006, but if anyone wished to put themselves up for election for this post, they should forward names to be received by the Secretary at least six weeks before the AGM Agenda is circulated.

10. INSURANCE FOR OVERSEAS VISITORS

The Chairman invited J. Phelps to explain to the meeting why it was not possible to obtain insurance from our brokers for overseas Instructors or Students. Specifically, they do not have the resources to deal with the cross-country litigation that would arise from claims from a foreign national. The Insurance companies have advised that if an Instructor or Student from overseas was domiciled in the UK for over 6 months and had a UK address, then Associations could give them cover, but any Instructor or Student attending a course for a day or week, should obtain Insurance from their home country before they travelled.

11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Secretary advised that Jim Johnstone had received a certificate of commendation from the British Transport Police for helping an off duty police officer in restraining a violent offender.

12. CONFIRMATION OF DATE AND VENUE FOR THE NEXT MEETING

As the AGM has been scheduled for 20 May 2006, it was agreed to hold an interim General Meeting on 18 February 2006, commencing 10.30, venue to be confirmed.