Minutes of the SAKA Annual General Meeting held in Oudtshoorn on 26 April 2019

Present

Pat Carney - President

Josh Cloete - Vice President

Charley Ndlovu – Treasurer

Marie Carney – Administrator

Aslam Mahommed – Development / Liaison

The name list of all the other members in attendance will be kept on the file as a hard copy.

Introduction

The President welcomed all the members and was delighted to see all the instructors of the various regions in attendance. He congratulated all the Provincial chairpersons for getting their provincial teams to the SA Championships in Oudtshoorn.

ITEM No 1; Previous Minutes

There were no outstanding points to be discussed and the minutes were accepted as completed.

ITEM No 2; International Events

The following will be attended and the dates are on the calendar;

- 1. The Arnolds which have an international event included (Mauritius and Angola).
- 2. RCFAI will be attending an event in Namibia.
- 3. WAKO Senior World Championships as per our Calendar.
- 4. The Turkish Open will not be attended due to a lack of interest.
- 5. An International Fight Night in Oudtshoorn closer to the end of the year as requested by the Mayor. Western Cape Kickboxing to plan it.

All info for the events will be posted on the web or via e-mail to provincial chairpersons to pass it on to their instructors.

ITEM No 3; Financials

A copy of the Financial statement was made available to all present for their perusal. Aslam had our financials audited by an auditing firm who found our books to be satisfactory. The following will be paid out;

- 1. Annual web site hosting = R2,746.00
- 2. Official's Certificates = R2.000.00
- 3. WAKO Registration = 1,200.00 Euro
- 4. MASA Registration = R350 per registered club.
- 5. PC, Stationary, admin and management fee to Chairperson = R8,000.00
- 6. Expense for the attendance of the Arnold's / International event = R15,000.00



7. Any other expenses in future will be liaised with the EXCO. No expense will be undertaken for which we have no finances.

ITEM No 4; Disciplinary Activities

It was discussed and agreed upon that SAKA will in future handle it's own disciplinary activities as per constitution. Should the accused feel that he / she did not receive a fair hearing they can launch their dissatisfaction with MASA.

ITEM No 5; Constitutional Changes

The following was discussed at the AGM which will be added / changed;

- Membership. The EXCO will have the right to refuse membership of a club / clubs without furnishing the reasons. The membership to SAKA must be seen as a priveledge not a right. Each club must apply for membership every year which the EXCO will accept or refuse.
- 2. The second vice chairperson position will be removed and replaced with a Development and Liaison officer.
- 3. The name Chairperson will be changed to President to be in line with all international sporting federations.
- 4. Addition to the Regulations. The event / tournament organizer will appoint qualified personnel for the various positions at the event / tournament. Only the SAKA president or vice president in the absence of the president may over rule an event / tournament organizer.

ITEM No 6; Annual Registration

There will be a window period for annual registrations, which will be the beginning of November to 20 January of the new year. Should a club not register within this period they will be removed from the SAKA registrations and may not register for that year.

ITEM No 7; Financial assistance for top fighters

The president made an appeal to Western Cape Kickboxing to financially assist top fighters from their region to attend the WAKO World Championships. The reason being that they were sponsored by various institutions to host the SA's and that the profit be used to assist fighters who are really good and whom have been members of SAKA for many years.

ITEM No 8; Style and WAKO Gradings

There is still confusion when it comes to gradings within SAKA. Herewith the following;

- A grading process must be credible. It is good should you make use of a panel of black belts higher than the person being graded. Should you be graded for the art of Kickboxing make sure that you are graded by a credible senior graded kickboxing instructor.
- 2. SAKA is not a Style of Kickboxing it is a Martial Art / Sporting Association. The body SAKA cannot grade you.

- 3. You may not place the WAKO logo on your grading certificates without the permission from the South African WAKO representative.
- 4. Should you want to have your Black Belts obtain the International WAKO Certification it must be done through the SA WAKO representative. Should you not be active in SAKA please do not apply for a WAKO certification.

ITEM No 9; SA's for 2020 / Elections

It was decided that the next SA's will take place over the period 24 to 26 April. The weigh-in will be the Friday, all junior events the Saturday and all senior events the Sunday. The final invite will have all the detail. The SA's will be presented in the Northern region. Northern regions can apply for it but must have the infrastructure, financial backing and human capability to present it. All applications must be sent to the president by 31 July 2019.

The SAKA elections will also be held at this championships. Instructors who cannot be in attendance must give their proxies to a registered instructor who will be in attendance.

ITEM No 10; SA Coastal Championships

Josh made mention that Western Cape Kickboxing will like to present a Coastal Championships later the year. The feasibility thereof must be determined and should it be feasible the detail of the event must be forwarded to all regions. Care must be taken that it does not clash with existing calendar events.

ITEM No 11; Doping

The legalising of Dagga (as we commonly refer to it) in the RSA and the impact on the sport was discussed. Dagga or which other name used for it is a banned substance according to the World Anti Doping Association (WADA). We must comply to the WADA regulations and therefor no participant may use it.

Conclusion

The sequence of events for the SA's was presented by the organizers.

The president closed by wishing everyone a pleasant SA's and reminded everyone that the purpose of sport is to build your character and not your ego. He further emphasised that we are friends in combat.

These minutes come into effect as from 01 May 2019.

Singed by SAKA President

Patrick Carney

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