

USJF/Shufu Yudanshakai, Inc
2025 Fall Board of Directors' meeting (draft)

November 1, 2025

- I. Call to order – Confirmation of quorum – Welcome. Confirmation of quorum (15%)

Attendees:

Zoom Attendees:

- II. Moment of Silence to remember those who are no longer with us or are dealing with illness

- III. Accept Agenda - Motion – _____, 2nd - _____
Pass/Fail

- IV. Adopt Minutes from last meeting – Motion - _____, 2nd - _____

Pass/Fail

- V. President's Report

- USJF National meeting is next week in Las Vegas, a report of specific issues/programs/etc. will be reported in the December Shimbun

Some of the News from Spring 2025 USJF meetings

- **Development**

Junior Youth Development – (Janet Johnson)

Koka Kids

Considerable work has been done with sub-committee (Janet Johnson, leading) with Nicola Fairweather (Koka Kids author) making it to Kodokan spelling and punctuation.

Koka kids – on-line v. hard copy. It was generally thought that both options should be available.

Options – USJF pay for it (I don't remember the fee but it was high) vs. allow Fairweather to make the changes and then she would make the profit from the Koka Kids books. It was generally thought that USJF let Fairweather take the profits

Create QR code for easy access

Summer National in Hawaii

4 awards – best sportsmanship, best technique,

Senior Development- in the works

Referee development- (Diba Mani)

- Very old website – to be updated
- Summer Nationals at 50th State- Sheldon Kono – providing referee reimbursement
- Novice referee clinic
- Referee /Coach Code of Conduct

Kata (run by

- DATE Change - Kata Conference June 26-28, Boise, ID, featuring Sensei Slavisa Bradic (IJF)
- Joshi Camp July 11-13 San Jose, CA .
- Eastern US Kata Championships 8/16 at College Park, MD, followed by Koshiki no kata clinic by David McFall on 8/17.
- Kata Championships tournaments (West coast, East coast, Midwest, and Hawaii
 - a. Kid Kata division.
No lower age limit, kids can do one set of Nage or Katame
Or kids do first tech of set for Nage
 - b. Gerardo Tello – A. Kolychkin Judo foundation takes a different approach to kata to kids. They have a ukemi kata (similar to French design). The kids are introduced to proper bowing sequences. (Kata demo done at the clinic on Sunday.
 - c. Janet Johnson stated the “Koka Kids” program has Nage no Kata and suggested doing Katame no kata.

USJF Agenda items from Spring meetings

Creation of USJF Educational membership at a discount rate of 50% off the cost of an annual membership that shall apply only to youth participation in an accredited school program (such as elementary, middle school, high school college and university.

Annual registration fee from \$70-80 per year starting September 2025

Monthly registration fee of \$9.99 - \$2.50 of that fee to be returned to the Yudanshakai (retroactive to the beginning of this fiscal year)

FYI –

Future Fall and Spring Meetings

Spring 2026 – Honolulu, Hawaii – May 7-8, 2026

Fall 2026 – Las Vegas – October/November 2026

Spring 2027 – Boise, Idaho – April/May 2027

Shufu

Accomplishments in since March meeting

Takemori Clinic with Hamada Sensei

Eastern Kata Championships and Koshiki no kata clinic with David McFall

Various Kata clinics run by Diane Jackson, Karen Whilden, Karl Tamai, and others

Continuing with Biannual Shufu Central and Shufu North Promotional Events

Sanctioned several local and regional shiais

Plan for Takemori Clinic May 9-10, 2026 featuring Kashiwazaki

Issues for Shufu

- Looking for volunteers for various committees – Communication and secondary assistants for Treasurer
- Shufu continues to provide Shufu Promotional to central and north.
- Shufu continues to provide kata clinics, rules clinic and Takemori Memorial Clinic
- Shufu aids with running local shiais.
- If you have suggestions to improve Shufu, please contact anyone on the Shufu Executive Committee. Our contact information is on the Shufu Webpage.
- Final comment – Spring of 2026 is Shufu Election of Officers

VI. VP report – Mike Landstreet

VII. Financial Report – Gaiv Tata (See Treasurer's report on Shufu Website)

- Income and expense statement
- Shufu in good financial position
- Shufu largest income: Yudanshakai portion of USJF Membership from USJF National
- Clinics: use of Shufu funds, are not generally income
- Non-clinic expenses:
- Suggestion to investigate better rates for CDs.

VIII. Other Committee Reports

- Self-Defense
- Kata
- Athlete Funding
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Motion to accept treasure's report: Motion: _____ second - _____

Pass/Fail

IX. BOE – Kevin Tamai

- Promotion Committee issues
- Report on today's promotions—
- Motion to accept report: Motion: _____ second - _____

X. POC: Kevin Tamai

XI. New Business -----

A. If anyone is interested in sponsoring a clinic, Shufu will help: Sanction, event process,

advertising,

- Upcoming Judo competitions: See Shufu Shimbun for numerous judo events (local, regional, national)
- Suggested Seminar: How to teach adaptive judo

B. Referee – Sharon Landstreet (given by Mike Landstreet)

C. Kata – Diane Jackson-----

D. Self-Defense - John Floyd

- USJF committee moving to support straight to individuals interested.
- Creating learning modules and certifications
- Shufu volunteered to host self-defense in-person portion seminar

E. Registration – Chuck Medani-----

- Junior: Senior:
- Total: (_____increase/decrease)
- Clubs:
- Unattached: _____ people in Shufu

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- Clubs
- 5 –
- 4 –
- 3 –
- 2 –
- 1 –

- Encourage USJF membership

F. Athlete Fund – Robert Hunt--

Need to be a Shufu member for 3 years to qualify for funds.

- _____ given out
- _____ available

G. Communications – George Antoniou—

- Contact George A to add to black belt distribution email list. Choice if want to be identified or not
- Social media – Brandon Lang-- All sites had increase in engagement

H. Website – Ellie / Dr. Medani----

- Geoff Meixner to lead website update. Word press

I. Kudos: Upgrade to promotion section by Karen W updated the black belt information webpage

J. Coach Development Chair – Shufu -NEED a volunteer

K. Rank Registration – Karen Whilden--

L. Senior and Junior Development --NEED volunteer

- Suggestion for junior and senior workouts

M. Shufu Shimbun:----Kevin does a tremendous amount of work

- Honor of Malcom Hodges
- Advertise or Request things: gi, mats, etc.

To add name - contact: George A (black belt list); Kevin, Diane

XII. Other Discussion

Motion to Adjourn: _____, Second: _____

Pass/Fail

Time: