



Memo Regarding Proposed Changes to OTA By-laws

To: OTA Membership

From: Master Hwa Sun Myung, President

Date: December 4, 2008

I am proposing the attached draft of changes to the by-laws. I think these will be better for the OTA in the long run and will make our annual and general meetings more manageable and affordable.

We have a consultation period effective until Monday December 8th, 2008. We have secured special funding from the Ministry of Health Promotion to improve our governance of the Association. To this end please forward all comments to Master Tommy Chang at otavp1@gmail.com and he will take your input into consideration, and discuss with Mr. Al Will, prior to the AGM which will be held on Saturday December 13th, 2008 as outlined in the previously released notice.

I will ask Mr. Will to present and facilitate the discussion on this topic during our meeting.

Should the by-law changes be accepted by the membership, they will take effect at the conclusion of this 2008 AGM while other proposed changes will be introduced for discussion at this meeting with a plan to implement changes progressively starting in March 2009 and over the next three years.

Documents Posted on The Website at www.Taekwondo.on.ca

The document posted shows the proposed changes.

Summary of Major Proposed Changes:

Membership & Voting: (Sections 2.01, 2.07 and 11.05)

What is proposed here reflects what is currently the most common in similar sport organizations. With this change we can expect somewhat consistent numbers attending our AGM. Our concern has been with accommodating and processing some 400-500 members attending every 4-years. This by-law has the owners of member clubs carrying the votes of Black Belts affiliated with their club and hence the club owners become the only voting members at the Provincial level. This is much more manageable.

Methods of Giving Notice: (Section 12.01)

This section simply introduces the use of e-mail as a means of giving notice to members. The current process is both a poor use of limited volunteer time and postal expenses.

Proposed Motion: By-Law SEVEN (enacted October 24, 1999) being a by-law respecting an amendment to By-Laws number one, two, three, four, five, and six, has made changes to its general by-laws.

THEREFORE, MOVED BY _____ AND SECONDED BY _____, BE IT ENACTED AND HEREBY ENACTED, that:

1. **By-Laws ONE, TWO, THREE, FOUR, FIVE, SIX and SEVEN as approved be cancelled and,**
2. **That By-Law number EIGHT be approved as the sole By-Law for the ONTARIO TAEKWONDO ASSOCIATION until amended in accordance with the provisions of that By-Law.**

This By-Law shall be enforced and acted upon after the termination of the Annual General Meeting on Saturday December 13th, 2008

Other proposed changes for this discussion only at this meeting may be posted on the website prior to the meeting, please check periodically.
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