



**PETER MORTON ACADEMY
OF
JUDO JUJITSU KARATE**

モートン流
自修館柔術

**SENIOR EXECUTIVE MEETING
2002 SEMINAR
Friday 4 October 2002**

Meeting Started: 6.40pm

Attended by: P Wilson, E Scharrer, D Rowley, C Swingler, B Clark, P Fetterplace, N Foote, C Owers

Apologies: T Innes represented by P Fetterplace

1. Minutes of the last executive meeting read and accepted (*Motioned Rowley, 2nd Scharrer*).
2. C Owers provided an overview of the Academy's financial position and put forward an urgent proposal to increase fees Academy-wide.
After much discussion the executive agreed that the fees are to increase as follows and are to apply from 1 January 2003:

	Junior Students	Senior Students*
Membership Fee	\$15 per year	\$25 per year
Insurance	Min of \$10 per year	
Grading Fee	\$15 per grading	
Shodan Grading Fee	\$200§ (covers black belt, 2 x certificates, pin & dinner)	
Black Belt Promotion	\$50	
Club Badges	\$8.50	

(motioned E Scharrer, 2nd C Owers)

*includes all training black belt members

§ Price may be negotiated in exceptional circumstances with the executive.

3. P Wilson raised that the executive need to discuss payment of fees with Mark Tomasich, as to date Peter has never received any payment from him for membership.
(motioned C Owers, 2nd D Rowley)
4. D Rowley asked Craig how progress was going with the Academy's website as it is hoped that it will be used as an administrative tool. Craig reported that he would work to updating it by Christmas. If he is unable to get it to the appropriate point by then he will be happy to hand it over to someone else. It was decided that a brainstorming session would be held over the weekend to get ideas in for its improvement.

5. P Wilson highlighted that further discussion was necessary around the decision made at the last executive meeting, whereby a student grading to senior black must be 18 years of age on the day of the grading to be graded as a senior. It was agreed that:

“As of Friday 4 October 2002, a student must be 18 years of age to grade to a senior black belt.”

At a later stage in the meeting D Rowley provided direction as to the requirements of a junior black belt to grad to a senior black belt, it is as follows:

- A 12 month course is to be completed in line with the standards expected of a prospective senior black belt student (in manual)
 - Grading will consist of:
 - Bridging course of techniques
 - All boxing components
 - Simultaneous two man attack
- To be completed to a senior standard as part of a normal black belt grading.

Peter Wilson proposed that all clubs be informed in writing of the process involved for a junior black belt to obtain their senior black belt (*motioned P Wilson, 2nd D Rowley*)

Meeting postponed: 8.25pm

Meeting Reopened: Sunday 6 October 2002 11.45am

Additional Attendee: Mark Tomasich

6. Open discussion – regarding the physical condition of prospective black belts on their grading day. D Rowley stated that no prospective black belt is to grade if they are not 100% fit and in the appropriate physical condition.
- Should a prospective black belt have substantial injuries, they must be able to provide the grading panel with a Doctor’s certificate (from a Government Medical Officer) stating that they are physically able to participate in intensive training sessions and a gruelling grading of approximately 8 hours.
 - On the day of their black belt grading a prospective black belt with injuries must be able to do everything that any other student does.
(*the above was motioned by D Rowley, 2nd M Tomasich*)
7. M Tomasich stated that it is the instructor’s duty of care to encourage students to seek medical treatment for injuries. This should be both for trainee black belts and other students.
8. B Clark stated that if a student wanting to be considered for a black belt course has known injuries, again it is the instructor’s responsibility to discuss with them their injuries and encourage them to seek medial treatment to improve the condition. Obviously if the injuries are substantial it would be foolish to even consider them to participate in such a demanding course.
9. P Wilson discussed with the executive the form to be completed by any student hoping to participate in the Academy’s Black Belt course. This form, once completed, is to be sent to the secretary / principal for consideration prior to participation in any black belt training and will form part of the Academy’s records.

As part of this discussion E Scharrer reminded the executive that it is by invitation only that a student may participate in a black belt course.

10. P Wilson asked M Tomasich about the payment of Academy membership fees (as per item number 3). Mark stated that he has paid membership fees in the past, and will send down details of the payments made for Peter to check.
11. D Rowley asked M Tomasich what his insurance covers. Mark informed the executive that his insurance covers liability and medical including interstate training. Mark offered to send down a copy of his cover to P Wilson for the Academy's records.
12. M Tomasich suggested a competency based system by which 1st and 2nd Dans could increase their learning at this level by learning new techniques.
D Rowley and E Scharrer explained that what they would like to see is instructors able to analyse techniques and explain the finer points. In practice demonstrate that they have the ability to discover for themselves how to teach! The executive agreed that this was a good approach (motioned C Swingler, 2nd B Clark) whilst Mark's suggestion will be considered at a later date. In preparation for this time Craig Swingler is to send out a draft he put together some time ago for 1st and 2nd Dans wanting to continue practical learning.
13. D Rowley asked if the executive was happy having 2 meetings per year, one at the national seminar and another partway through the year. All agreed to this, with the possibility of using a video link to save travelling.

Meeting Closed: 12 noon