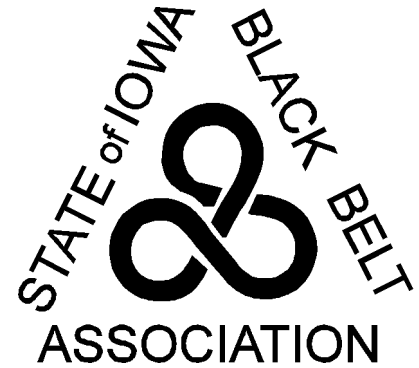


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Edited by: Irene P. Faass

SCHEDULE of EVENTS

October	2	ISU Championships – Ames
	5	TKD Testing – Brooks Community Center, Des Moines
	9	Judo Tournament – Bloomington, MN
	15,16	ISU Testing – Ames
	16	Judo Tournament – Dubuque
	22-23	NCTA Championships – Pomona, CA
November	29	Family Martial Arts Testing – Ames
	6	Eastern Iowa Taekwondo Championships – Mt. Vernon
	13	UN Omaha College Championships – Omaha, NE
	19-20	USTU Meeting
December	19	Family Martial Arts Testing – Ames
	3,4	ISU Testing – Ames
	7	TKD Testing – Henry's, Creston
	10	TKD Testing – Luverne, MN
	17	Family Martial Arts Testing – Ames

FYI for Instructors

In the future, we would like to include information for new and old instructors in this column. If any present instructors have stories, warnings, suggestions to share with the rest of the organization, please share them with me and I will publish them in this column. Let us know what kind of publicity worked the best for you, how you worked out liability insurance, whether you are for profit or non-profit and why you chose that status, etc. You will get credit for your contributions. Please help us out – the only way our family can grow is if we can learn from those who have gone before us.

Upcoming tournaments

Please take note of two tournaments that were recently added to the schedule. The Eastern Iowa Taekwondo Championships will be held again this year at Mt. Vernon on November 6th. Please see your instructor for more information or contact Joe McGovern, Chris Weaver, Jeff Niemeier, or Nancy Hinrichs.

Also, Masters William and Therese Guy will be hosting the first ever Nebraska Invitational Taekwondo Tournament in Omaha on November 13. For more information, please visit their website:

<http://www.unomaha.edu/~dragon/tourapp.html>

and for directions:

<http://www.unomaha.edu/~dragon/unomap.html>

Letter from the President

I'd like to offer my congratulations to Master Anne Chase for becoming an International Referee and being named Referee of the Year at Juniors this year, another honor for the state of Iowa and the Pak family. Also, congratulations for Mark Currie and Master Pak for their successful tournaments. Mr. Currie donated money from his tournament to the SIBBA as a thank you for the officiating, etc. that was provided. He also donated money from his tournament to the FOCUS (Future Olympic Competitors of the United States) foundation. For more information about the FOCUS foundation, contact Mr. Currie.

It doesn't seem time to think about nominations for the next SIBBA elections – but it is! In the past, this process has been casual, but this year, the Board decided to go by the By-Laws. Nominations must be made to the Board by December 15th so as to be published on a ballot in the next newsletter. This allows absentee voting for those unable to make it to the reunion and/or banquet. Write-ins will still be allowed at the General Meeting. A formal General Meeting will be held before the banquet and not at Steak Center this year. This is also to fulfill the By-Laws and to conduct the General Meeting in a businesslike atmosphere. All members are invited and encouraged to attend this meeting. Time and place will be announced in the next newsletter. Nominations can be sent to Jennifer Emery, Irene Faass, or Beth Sermet (see back of newsletter or Red Book for contact information); nominations can be sent by mail, called in, or e-mailed.

Open positions are: Treasurer (three year term), Taekwondo, Hapkido, Judo, and At-Large Delegates (all one year terms). All of these positions require a commitment to the Board in order for the SIBBA to function. The commitments include: attending the monthly board meetings, committee responsibilities, an article for each quarterly newsletter, as well as the individual responsibilities for each position (see position descriptions below).

Also coming up quickly are the application deadlines for all of the SIBBA scholarships. This includes the academic and leadership scholarship for college blackbelts and the Jared Ringstad leadership scholarship for high school seniors green belt or above. If you know of someone who fits one of those descriptions or may be interested, please contact your instructor for more information or one of the SIBBA officers.

Jennifer Emery

Random At Large Notes...

I was sorry to learn of the passing of Mr. Dean Shore. Dean was a good person, and one who was there to help when you needed his help; just ask and he was there. I remember a tournament in Ames a couple of years ago when I had a student (my son Andrew) who needed a chest protector quickly; Mr. Shore gave us a hand and got one just in time for sparring. Sympathies go out to the family of Mr. Shore, we will miss him.....

I wanted to mention that there are three Tae Kwon Do tournaments coming up, NCTA's are in Pomona California October 22nd and 23rd, the Eastern Iowa

Championships are in Mt. Vernon November 6th, and Master Guy has something slated for Omaha on

November 13th, so plenty of tournaments for participation and also experience for referees. Please put these on your calendar.

I'm sorry that I have been hard to reach – I have been rather busy. We are moving my mother to a new residence and that has taken a lot of time, so I know I have not been available. But that should be changing soon. By the way, if any of you are antique collectors let me know because the bulk of my mother's upcoming auction will be antiques – just

contact me and I will let you know what she is selling October 17th.

Report from the Hapkido Delegate . . .

This quarter's Hapkido section of the newsletter comes to us from Adam Infante, one of our second degree black belts. He had an exciting opportunity to spend some time in Korea this summer and shares a little of his visit with us. It's always nice to hear more about the birthplace of these arts that bring us all together. Thanks Adam!

Amanda Clark
Hapkido Delegate

My Summer in Korea!

For some of you who might not have known this, I spent the summer in Taegu, Korea. Through a unique summer program I had the wonderful opportunity to teach swimming while I lived in Korea. Dr. Clark asked me to share a little of my experience in general, so please forgive me for being all over the map with my subject matter.

The most amazing thing about my whole trip was the Korean people. I have never, even after living in the midwest for 9 years, met such a friendly group of people. There were countless times, when I was lost, that a helpful Korean person would take me where I needed to go. Even if they spoke English, they still preferred to take me there themselves.

Report from the Judo Delegate . . .

Judo competitors from ISU and Family Martial Arts went to Des Moines recently for the first ever annual Harvest Classic, sponsored by Straight Street Judo Club of Des Moines. FMA took 6 competitors and came back with three 1st place and two 2nd place medals. Danny Scheid placed 2nd in the Senior Men's division (Danny is 16 and the man who took first is a 42 year old 5th degree Black Belt – congratulations Danny!).

ISU took five competitors and a judge (Dr. Jonathan Smith). Cherilyn Walley took first place in the women's division (only 3 women showed up, so they were all together). Ben Silienberg won his division, though he's only SIBBA Newsletter; 14-3; September 1999

Respectfully Submitted

Mike Wickham

The respect that Koreans have for one another also impressed me. I was very happy to give my seat up on the subway to anyone older than me, or any female. It was impressive to witness this sort of respect day and day out. Master Pak has talked a lot about how lucky we Americans are, and that we should be grateful for what we have. I am very grateful, but I think also that Americans have a lot more to learn from Koreans than Martial Arts. The kindness of the people, the respect for women and elders, the pride they have in their country, are all things that we Americans could take some pointers on. I am grateful to be an American, but I am even more grateful to have experienced such a refreshing culture.

If anyone would like to know more about Korea or the program that I participated in, please feel free to contact me. There is so much more to Korea than what I have mentioned! 515-292-5324 or hkdkid@iastate.edu.

Respectfully submitted,

Adam M. Infante

been to judo practice four times in his life (he's a wrestler so perhaps that helped!). John Gilbert placed 2nd in his division and Paul Manthe and Jason Weirather fought hard and gained a lot of experience.

The ISU and FMA judo teams are looking forward to the next two tournaments in October.

(this newsletter's judo information comes courtesy of Cherilyn Walley, a new black belt and SIBBA member. Cherilyn is also President of the ISU Judo Club)

Your Judo Representative,

Report from the Taekwondo Delegate . . .

Greetings Friends and Family,

As far as newsletters go this article has been the hardest for me to write. Circumstances that have occurred over the past few weeks have given me a lot to think about lately. Many of you already know but for those of our family who are out of touch from the regular email correspondence going on let me update you and say a few words. Last week, Mr. Dean Shore, head instructor at Grinnell Taekwondo, passed away. Mr. Shore was a first-degree black belt. Mr. Shore was as active with his family as he was with Taekwondo and is survived by his two daughters. To the family and to Dean, we send our prayers.

Personally, I did not know Mr. Shore very well. I saw him mostly at tournaments, and was privileged enough to judge with him at times. I would like to see something about his personality. I would like to say something about his skill, leadership, looks or any of the normal things to say. Yet, as I sit here struggling to remember any words he may have said or anything he may have said to others, the only thing I can remember is his smile. I have a very

vivid image of his face smiling at me. I don't know why or what he was smiling about but I was fortunate enough to be there for it. In a way I'm glad for that memory. I hope that all of us, and especially the family can keep such a simple, pleasant memory of Dean or anyone else.

It is amazing how short life can be, and how much of an impact anyone of us can have on it. At Iowa State, Master Pak always tells us how much we will miss ISU once we leave. Everyone who has ever come back has always told us how right he is (not that anyone doubted of course). However, it holds true for people also. Regardless of whether people get along with each other or not, we all affect one another. With this in mind, petty bickering seems like such a waste. Disagreements are a fact of life and difficult to control, and there is nothing wrong with that. The goal, I believe, is to keep such things from controlling us. I wrote this article as much for myself as for others, I hope that I managed to touch some part in everyone that makes us appreciate how special we ALL are. During this tournament season and forever to come, please be safe, and be content. Please say a prayer for people in your life.

Respectfully,
J.D. Palasek

A Tribute . . .

On February 1, 1994, Voorhees Taekwondo began teaching classes at the Archie Brooks Community Center in Des Moines. That first night, there were six students. Over the course of the last 5 years, all but 2 have dropped out or moved. On September 15th, one of those remaining two died in an automobile accident.

Mr. Dean Shore, Jr., was our "senior student" for...well, it seems like forever. He was the first student that we started from white belt that promoted all the way to 1st Dan, decided. He was the first student we had who started instructing his own club. His Grinnell Taekwondo club will celebrate its 3rd anniversary on December 2nd.

What do you say about a student, colleague and friend? Well, I think it best to summarize Dean as he truly was. Dean's "day job" was with the Army National Guard. He was a training and inspection NCO at Camp Dodge. He had spent, as he often put it, "way too long" wearing Army green. He was looking forward to

retiring from the service within the next 6 months, and had plans on turning the Grinnell TKD club into a full-time operation.

Dean often struggled with self-image. He wasn't ever sure how his peers in the Army perceived his abilities, and was even more unsure of himself as a martial artist. He struggled with techniques that many (some?) of us can do relatively easily, could butcher any form at the drop of a hat, and was continually critical of his own ability to instruct. He had the world's second-worst roundhouse kick (mine was worse when I was a new 1st Dan), and, in my opinion, was one of the best instructors I have ever seen. He may not have been able to perform a technique, but he could explain it, he could analyze it, and he could teach it. In 2 1/2 years, he had produced 4 national medalists in Junior National competition, and had himself qualified to compete at Golden Senior Nationals this spring. He had just had the pleasure of promoting his first student to 1st Dan, Recommend.

He was loved by his 30+ students in Grinnell, as well as by the students he trained with at Voorhees TKD in Des Moines. We will miss his crooked smile, his constant encouragement to others in class, and the way he'd always tell his sparring partner, regardless of who they were or what their rank, "OK, take it easy on me, I'm an old man."

As I said, Dean was unsure of what others thought of him. Well, Dean, I hope you were able to see your funeral. There were over 50 soldiers there in dress greens, over 50 martial artists, most of them there in their whites, and over 100 more friends and family to say goodbye to their friend, instructor and colleague. What would Dean say? He be surprised, a little embarrassed, he'd cock his head to the side a little, give that side-ways grin, and say, "Cool!".

Carrie and I would like to thank all of you who sent notes of encouragement, flowers, attended the visitation and/or the funeral... Thank you for helping us honor and recognize our friend.

I'm going to miss you, Dean...

Larry Voorhees
Voorhees Taekwondo

From the Secretary

Master Pak has been discussing the idea of publishing the Black Belt Essays of Pak family members. To get the ball rolling, the SIBBA thought we may publish an essay in the next newsletter. If you are testing for 3rd or above (or tested for that rank in 1999), we'd love to publish your essay in the next newsletter. Please contact me if you're interested. Also, I'd like to thank those who've contributed to the newsletter. Please be sure to contact me if you have something to include in upcoming issues.

Irene P. Faass

Notes from SIBBA members and family . . .

(this is only one of several similar responses to the State Games of America – I hope that it will help us realize that the Pak family is an exemplary organization. I hope also that it will help us realize that we must ALL live up to these high standards and continue to be examples for other such organizations – ipf)

I have a few comments and concerns in regards to the State Games of America, Taekwondo Competition, held in St. Louis August 6-9, 1999. First I would like to congratulate the Iowa competitors on a job well done. Of the 166 registered competitors 38 were from Iowa,

making us the largest group at the Taekwondo Competition. Also, I would briefly like to describe our experiences at our first national tournament.

After arriving at the venue and attending the opening ceremony, we returned to our motel at around 11:30pm. We got up the next morning at 5:30am so that we could be at weigh-in scheduled for 7:30am. Upon our arrival at the sport complex, we were informed that weigh-ins had been moved to 10:00am and competition would begin at noon. During opening ceremonies the competitors were called to the holding area and lined up in no particular order. The National Anthem was played and Competition started with no bowing to officials or flags. Then we watched the tournament.

We watched as judges talked to each other before scoring a forms competition. We watched as scoring varied widely with competitors getting 10s from some judges and 6s from others. We watched competitors in the 10 and under age category wait in the holding area for 4 hours with gear on before they were called to the ring. We watched competitors get punches to the faces, numerous low kicks and even a competitor being picked up and thrown from the ring with no warnings called. We saw no one being bowed into or out of rings (in fact, the only people I saw bowing in and out of the competition areas were from Iowa). The competitors were not even allowed to shake hands before rounds started. We watched a competitor get hurt to the extent that he was not able to get back into fighting stance and still the match was restarted. We watched a coach go to the center judge and start arguing with officials over calls and even watched as a coach removed his student from

competition in the middle of a round because fouls were not being called.

We realize that this was the first time for this competition and expected things might not to go perfectly, but we felt this was too much. Maybe we are just spoiled because all of the previous tournaments we have attended have been conducted by members of Master Pak's family. For this we would like to commend all of the referees, instructors, and black belts in the Pak family for the great job that you do at the local tournaments. You are in a class of your own. We don't want to sound too negative about the State Games; we did have a great time and watched some very good athletes. We would have liked to encourage the officials at the State Games to come and participate in a tournament run by the Pak family so they might learn and improve before the 2001 State Games. Better yet, we would encourage Pak family referees, instructors and black belts to take some time and assist in the planning and running of the 2001 State Games so that everyone in the nation can experience a Pak family event.

It makes me very proud to have a daughter involved in an organization that puts sportsmanship and fair play above winning, a place where she can feel comfortable talking with upper belts and form friendship with her competitors before and after competition. For this I would like to thank Master Pak and his martial arts family for making our experiences memorable.

Steven C Sokol
parent of Brandi L Sokol (Blue belt, Grinnell
Taekwondo)

The Bottom-Line by Beth E. Sermet, Treasurer

After two terms (six years) of service as Treasurer of the SIBBA, my last year in office is rapidly coming to a close. I have enjoyed getting to know many Cabinet members and making new friends. It's been fun giving my "two cents worth" at times, as well. An extra bonus is knowing so many of you by name and being able to count on you year after year as supporters of our truly unique organization.

During my years as treasurer, I have tried to make changes that make the treasurer's job easier. The membership data is computerized, making updating and printing of labels each quarter for the Newsletter a snap. I have a system in place for the processing of new members' packets each quarter to coordinate with the SIBBA Newsletter mailing. The bookkeeping is simple since only a few checks are written each month. The first three months are the busiest because of membership renewals. After each promotional testing, there are often new members to process.

This winter, I plan to work on more educational materials for the SIBBA. My specific goal is to produce an improved and expanded version of the refereeing video, including footage from national competition.

If you have any questions about the position of treasurer or anything else I might be able to help you with, please contact me.

Balances in all accounts (September 24, 1999) are: Checking \$522.70, Savings \$ 5,695.64, American Funds \$ 16,899.11, Jared Ringstad Scholarship Fund \$ 3,269.19 and CD \$ 5,559.36 at 5.60 APY with maturity on 3/29/2000.

Monthly transfers of \$ 170.00 to the American Funds Mutual accounts have occurred in July, August and September for a total of \$ 510.00.

Descriptions of Cabinet Positions

Nominations are due by **December 15** to Irene Faass, Jennifer Emery, or Beth Sermet. If you have any questions about a position, feel free to contact the person who currently holds the position at the number or address indicated on the last page of the newsletter.

Treasurer

The SIBBA Treasurer is one of three officers elected for a three year term. The other three year term holders are the President and Secretary. The Treasurer is responsible for (1) keeping accurate record of all SIBBA financial transactions, both debits and credits, and purchase and sale of inventories, (2) maintain an accurate record all new and renewing memberships for each SIBBA membership year, (3) assemble and mail the new member packets on a quarterly basis, (4) generate a mailing list from the data base (currently in MS Access format) and mail all the current members the quarterly newsletter, (5) prepare and submit an Annual Budget for publication in the December newsletter and approval by the membership at the Annual Meeting, (6) submit a quarterly Treasurer's Report for publication in the SIBBA Newsletter, (7) attend all SIBBA Cabinet meetings, unless excused, (8) file any and all corporate forms and tax returns required by the State of Iowa and the Internal Revenue Service, and (9) provide membership applications to all instructors and black belts. Most of these duties are quarterly and coincide with the publication of the SIBBA Newsletter. Processing renewal makes January through March a busy time. The rest of the year involves processing new memberships. All the membership records are stored in a MS Access Database, which saves a lot of time.

Hapkido, Judo, and Taekwondo Delegates

The Delegates are representatives to the cabinet from each art. Their responsibilities are to plan and promote symposia and seminars. Also, these people should report on activities, events, and happenings in their respective art – births, weddings, tournaments, seminars, new black belts, etc. – in the quarterly newsletter.

At-Large Delegate

The At-Large delegate helps with any projects that the Hapkido, Taekwondo and Judo delegates feel need an extra hand. Also, the person in this position helps to bridge the gap between the juniors and adult members of the SIBBA. Also, the delegate must attend monthly meetings and write articles for the newsletter.

SIBBA meeting minutes

Meeting held July 24, 1999.

Present: Jennifer Emery (President), J.D. Palasek (Taekwondo Delegate), Mike Wickham (At-Large Delegate), Beth Sermet (Treasurer), Irene P. Faass (Secretary), and Amanda Clark (Hapkido Delegate).

The meeting was called to order at 1:40pm by President Jennifer Emery.

Secretary's Report

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The minutes of the June 9, 1999 Cabinet meeting were read and approved as read.

Treasurer's Report

The treasurer reported \$258.25 in checking, \$5,681.71 in savings, \$3,296.96 in the Jared Ringstad Scholarship fund, \$5,199.60 in a C.D. and \$17,867.13 in mutual funds. No funds have been transferred into the mutual funds account

since the last meeting. Irene moved that we transfer a consistent amount into the mutual fund account each month. Mike seconded. The motion passed.

Beth also reported that she had ordered 100 poomse videos.

Taekwondo Delegate Report

J.D.Palasek presented a proposal for an electronic scoring system that will developed and built by ISU electrical engineers with funding provided by the SIBBA. Jon Friedl, a Ph.D. student in electrical engineering, and Aaron Striegel, graduate teaching assistant in electrical engineering, have studied the design of the electronic scoring systems currently in use. They propose a 2-semester senior design project that involves developing and creating an electronic scoring system for the SIBBA. This will be a scoreboard system, like the Poos' system, and not a computer-monitor system like the USTU's.

The Poos system regularly rents at \$2,000 a ring. After doing research and an initial cost analysis, Jon believes that they can make the systems for roughly \$2,000 total (for 8 rings). They would like the SIBBA to sponsor the senior design program and have full input into the design of the system. In the first month of the semester, the EE students will submit a proposal with a timeline. By the end of the first semester, the students will have developed a prototype that they will present to the SIBBA for approvals and changes. The students will spend their 2nd semester (next spring), building the systems. They should be able to have 4 or 5 units completed by March and the remaining units by the end of the semester.

This project is beneficial to all involved - the senior electrical engineering students can have a REAL project to work on and the SIBBA will have an electronic scoring system to use at local tournaments, setting a new standard for tournaments. The system can be stored at ISU with other tournament materials. It will be maintained by the ISU students and upgraded as needed. Amanda will advise the cabinet on intellectual property issues and, as the project develops.

J.D. moved that the SIBBA accept a working agreement to finance the development of an electronic scoring system by the ISU Electronic Engineering Department for the 1999-2000 academic year. This system will be used by the SIBBA. Amanda seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Report from the Hapkido Delegate

Amanda Clark reported that she had nothing new to report since the last newsletter. She does plan to poll the Iowa City people about upcoming symposiums . . .

Report from the At-Large Delegate

Mike Wickham reported that he has several people interested in helping with Iowa JO Team Unity. They are Mark Currie and Laurel Farrell. They will start planning much earlier to organize attire and activities to bring unity to those attending JO's. They discussed the possibility of a mass workout for the Iowa Team at the JO location.

Old Business

- Insurance - Mike says that he needs a LOT more information from instructors in order to determine if the SIBBA can help with insurance policies. Amanda moved that Mike develop a letter with questions for the next newsletter. J.D. seconded the motion and it passed.
- Symposium - Amanda is still working on this and will have more for the next meeting. Irene suggested that we include a section on Board Breaking led by Master Doug Marks.
- Information about Members - Beth says that she will need to input information generated by Amanda's form into a database. J.D. says that it can all be done in a more streamlined database.

New Business

- Election of Officers - Irene suggested that since elections are in February and we usually publish nominations in the December newsletter, we should promote elections in the next newsletter. Each eligible officer (all delegates and the Treasurer) will write up a description of her/his duties and include it in her/his column for the next newsletter. The columns will be due to Irene by September 15, 1999.
- Next Meeting - The next meeting will be held on August 28, 1999 at 1:00 pm at Jennifer Emery's house. J. D. moved that the meeting be closed; Amanda seconded the motion and it passed. The meeting closed at

2:45pm.

Meeting held August 28th, 1999

Present: Jennifer Emery (President), Beth Sermet (Treasurer), J.D. Palasek (Taekwondo Representative), Steve Scheid (Judo Representative), Irene P. Faass (Secretary).

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 pm by President Jennifer Emery.

Secretary's Report

The minutes were approved as written and read.

Treasurer's Report

The treasurer reported \$108.70 in checking, \$5,695.64 in savings, \$3,296.96 in the Jared Ringstad Scholarship fund, \$5,559.60 in a C.D. and \$17,867.13 in mutual funds. \$340.00 (\$170.00 per month for July and August) has been transferred into the American Funds account. The treasurer reported that our CD was up for renewal. It was moved that we renew for 7 months at Firststar for the 5.45 rate with an APR of 5.7. This motion was passed. The treasurer has received 100 poomse videos.

Taekwondo Delegate's Report

J. D. reported no updates from last month

Judo Delegate's Report

Steve reported that Iowa Games was successful. They have upcoming tournaments in Dubuque, Des Moines, and Iowa City. A Judo clinic will be held in November and Iowa members will attend. In July, at Iowa State, two people tested for their black belts. Steve will write about them for the next newsletter.

Old Business

- Seminar: Jennifer reported that Amanda has been making phone calls to get the seminar together for this fall.
- Insurance: Mike contacted a colleague who works with group insurance. This person has a lot of questions so we will invite him to an upcoming board meeting to ask those questions. J.D. mentioned that he gets group insurance through The Martial Arts Group for his dojang; he will tell Mike about this insurance.
- Elections: Irene reminded members that we need descriptions of positions up for election in the next newsletter. We will ask for nominations in the September newsletter and give a deadline date of December 15th. We will then provide a ballot in the December newsletter. This brought up a debate about the nature of our annual meeting/elections. It was moved that we reserve a separate room in the Union and have the meeting for elections before the annual banquet. This motion was passed. This would mean that the black belt reunion can maintain a social atmosphere while the elections and meeting will be able to maintain a businesslike atmosphere.

New Business

- E-mail from Lance and Laurel Farrell regarding SIBBA membership requirements: We decided that we needed more information in order to respond to this matter. Jennifer will meet with Master Pak, the Farrell's and interested parties to discuss the matter further.
- The next meeting will be held on September 25th at 4:00pm at Jennifer Emery's house.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:15pm

Meeting held September 25th, 1999

Present: Jennifer Emery (President), Beth Sermet (Treasurer), J.D. Palasek (Taekwondo Representative), Mike Wickham (At-Large Delegate) Irene P. Faass (Secretary).

The meeting was called to order at 4:20pm by President Jennifer Emery.

Secretary's Report

The minutes were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report

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Taekwondo Delegate's Report

J. D. reported that the electronic scoring systems done by ISU electrical engineering students are underway. Students have begun working on design, timeline, and a budget. They hope to have a prototype by the end of the semester.

At-large Delegate's Report

Mike is still researching the insurance issue. J.D. provided him with a copy of the information from his company (the Martial Arts Group, underwritten by the Chicago Insurance Company). They figure rates based on the number and age of students. Mike will continue to research this issue.

Old Business

- Seminar: nothing to report so far.
- Insurance: see above.
- Elections: information is included in this newsletter and Jennifer will write about them in her article; a General Meeting is planned for right before banquet so that business can be conducted in a more businesslike setting than Steak Center. This will not take the place of the reunion.
- Referee Video: Beth will be working on this during the winter.
- E-mail from Lance and Laurel Farrell regarding SIBBA membership requirements: After consultation with legal counsel, Jennifer believes that the debate should still remain open. Some wording in the information for members has been changed in order to reduce misunderstandings and more correctly represent the By-Laws. Article IV, Sections 4.2, 4.3, 4.4, 4.6, and 4.7b were cited as clarification.
- The next meeting will be held on November 6th at the Eastern Iowa Taekwondo Championships. The meeting was adjourned at 5:38pm

Membership Information

In order for us to fulfill the goals of education and scholarship set by Master Pak and the founders of the SIBBA, the continuing support of our members is necessary. Instructors who are members may have their students' promotions recognized by the SIBBA. This is especially important for an instructor when a student is testing for First Dan or higher. The SIBBA strongly suggests that ALL instructors make sure their own membership is current. If you plan to test for Second Dan or higher, you are strongly encouraged to pay for annual SIBBA dues missed since your last testing. This policy has the support of Grandmaster Pak and the Cabinet.

Membership Dues are as follows:

- Adult - \$30
- Student (age 17 through college) - \$15
- Junior (until age 16) - \$15
- Alumni (not active with a Pak Organization Club) - \$15
- Family - \$60
- Affiliate (non Black Belt) - \$10
- Lifetime - Individual \$300 or Family \$600 (installment pay plan available)

NOTE TO ALL INSTRUCTORS: The dues are for one year (January through December) and not to be pro-rated for ½ or ¼ of the year.

SIBBA CABINET 1999

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