

Georgia Taekwondo Foundation Meeting
1/09/2016

Present David Wilch, Jenni Matsuoka, Dejon Brumfield, Richard Bradley, Susan Park/George

Discussed 2016 schedule for state events

Feb 6- Poomsae practice in the afternoon

Feb 13-Scrimmage Gyroogi referee seminar Sign up on Hang a Star/pay at the door

March 12- Poomsae referee seminar

April 16-GA Games

April 17 GA USAT Qualifier

June 4 Sparring camp/scrimmage Free to USAT GA Qualifier Gold medalists, reduced cost to Bronze and Silver medalists

June 18 Poomsae camp/practice Free to USAT GA Qualifier Gold medalists, reduced cost to Bronze and Silver medalists

Discussed the difficulty in getting a date for the State championship that did not conflict with any other local tournaments and was approved by USAT.

As of this meeting the State championship will be at Altoona High School on April 17 but may be moved to Kennesaw State.

Voted to hold a poomsae and sparring camp for Georgia athletes before Nationals and decided on the date to hold them.

Discussed giving a stipend to one male and one female 17-30 Blackbelt Sport poomsae competitor with the Senior Blackbelt gyroogi athletes for Nationals and a referee stipend.

In order to receive stipend athlete must compete at Georgia USAT qualifier and give back to the state by working the athlete camp to be held on June 4th or June 18.

Discussed the need to encourage Georgia athletes and instructors to support the Georgia USAT State championship. A letter will be drafted by Jenni Matsuoka and Susan Park-George to be sent to each registered USAT member in the State to highlight the positive reasons for them to attend the State Championship here rather than a neighboring state.

Some things discussed were:

Timely event that starts on time and runs efficiently

Daedo sparring for all ranks

Sport Poomsae using Poomsae Pro, which is the same program, used at Nationals

Save on travel out of state

Funds from the tournament have supported Georgia athletes going to Nationals for the past three years

We have medals ready to be awarded

Georgia has one of the strongest referee development programs in the country

Producing High level referees at the State Championship with a history of 2 IR's per ring

Georgia State Championship had participation from around the country including, California, Illinois, and New York

A sparring and poomsae camp will be offered free to Gold Medalists and at a reduce cost to Bronze and Silver medalists



Secretary