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In order to further *promote exemplary and competitive Judo at the highest levels* and to provide a mechanism to financially support our top competitors, WJI establishes this Policy and Procedure to support Wisconsin's top athletes.

The WJI Board of Directors does hereby adopt the following *Policies and Procedures*. The below may, from time to time, be reviewed, changed, or modified at the direction of the Board:

WJI's Wisconsin Player Development Fund

DEFINITIONS:

- A. WJI – Wisconsin Judo Inc.
- B. Director – a member of WJI's executive management.
- C. Board of Directors – executive management group of Wisconsin Judo Inc.
- D. Elite competitors – athletes based or originating from Wisconsin who are currently deemed by WJI Wisconsin's elite State, Continental or International competitors at the following levels: Juvenile A & Juvenile B (Cadet), IJF (Junior); or an international ranked Senior.
- E. *Player Development Fund* – WJI segregated dollars designated to assist the States elite athletes with partial funding.

POLICY:

- A. The WJI Board of Directors, as necessary, shall:
 - 1) Encourage WI events to donate One Dollar (\$1.00) for each registrant to the *Wisconsin Player Development Fund*.
 - 2) Designate funds to judo events in which qualified WI athletes compete
 - 3) Where funds permit, designate events that will be considered for (partial) funding.
 - 4) All WJI Board of Directors decisions on funding WI athletes are impartial and are final.
 - 5) States that funded athletes (and/or the athlete's parent(s) or Guardian(s)) allow the Publishing of their pictures and/or names of the WI State Webpage (wijudo.org), Facebook page (Wisconsin Judo Inc.) and/ or other public media designated by the WJI Board of Directors.

PROCEDURE:

- A. Funding
 - 1) Only Wisconsin based or originating athletes shall be eligible for funding through the *Wisconsin Player Development Fund*.
 - 2) All funding will be limited to Judo events.
 - 3) All Player Development Funds accumulated shall be entered into a segregated WJI account and will be used for funding Wisconsin Judoka.

- 4) WJI may, if funding is available, consider (partial) funding for Players requesting funds for competing at the following events:
 - a) National events:
 - i. Youth and Scholastic National Championship
 - ii. USA Judo Junior Olympic National Championships
 - iii. Senior National Championships
 - iv. President's Cup
 - v. US Open
 - vi. USJA/JF (summer) National Tournament (Kata only).
 - b) Centennial events
 - i. All IJF Judo events
 - c) International
 - i. All IJF Judo events

B. Limitation on Funding:

- 1) Dollars directed to WI based Judoka shall not be used from any segregated account other than the Wisconsin *Player Development Fund*.
- 2) Unless two-thirds (2/3) of the Board of Directors approve dollars, funding shall not be distributed from the general fund.
- 3) For National events:
 - a) Funding will be considered for the following Divisions:
 - i. Juvenile A & Juvenile B (Cadet)
 - ii. IJF Junior
 - iii. Senior
 - b) Funding Levels, except for Kata, (an athlete must compete in a division of three (3) or more and have a, at least, one (1) win. Funding will be considered for only one (1) Division entry:
 - i. Bronze (both, if applicable) – \$10.00
 - ii. Silver – \$25.00
 - iii. Gold – \$50.00
- 4) Continental Level:
 - a) Fund up to \$100.00
- 5) International Level:
 - b) Fund up to \$200.00
- 6) Unless two-thirds (2/3) of the Board of Directors approve dollars shall be capped at \$400.00 per athlete, per calendar year.
- 7) Distribution of funds will only be made by the Board of Directors when sufficient funds are available in the designated segregated account.

C. Application for funding

- 1) From time to time, WJI will notify its members about athlete funding opportunities
- 2) Eligible athletes, their coach or parent should make a written application for funding to the External Vice-President of WJI, who will present the application to the Board of Directors, within two (2) weeks of receipt.
- 3) The External Vice-President of WJI shall, within seven (7) days of a decision, notify the athlete, their coach, or parent following a funding decision.

D. Publishing on website

- 1) All Wisconsin events that support the Wisconsin *Player Development Fund* will be:
 - a) Authorized to place the following statement on their flyer: “World Champions start here -- \$1.00 of your entry fee goes to the *Wisconsin Player Development Fund*.”
 - b) Funding events shall be placed as a supporter of the *Wisconsin Player Development Fund*” on the State’s electronic media.
- 2) By receiving dollars from the *Wisconsin Player Development Fund* the athlete (and their parent(s) or guardian(s)) give their permission to place the competitors name on the Wisconsin Judo Website, Facebook page and/ or other public media designated by the WJI Board of Directors.

These **POLICIES AND PROCEDURES** have been adopted by consensus of the WJI Board of Directors on 19 September 2015 and will take effect upon adoption.

These Policy and Procedures were updated, by consensus of the WJI Board of Directors, on November 01, 2015 and take effect upon adoption.

SIGNED: Lesley Hutchins

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– WJI SECRETARY –