

# CAA MEETING – August 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015

September 4, 15

## Agenda

1. Opening by the President-Forrest Kan
2. Administrative & Financial Report-Cyndy Hayashi
3. Announcement of New Members-Division Heads
4. CAA Webmaster Reminders-Cyndy Hayashi
5. Query to the membership on Non-profit or 501 C3 Dojos-Frank King
6. New Business
7. Membership Announcements
8. Announcement of the next meeting-February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2016 @ Aikido of San Jose
9. Adjournment

## Opening:

Forrest Kan, President, opened the meeting. This is the 26<sup>th</sup> biannual meeting.

The Statement of Purpose on page one of our Guidelines was referenced as a reminder of our loyal support of the Ueshiba lineage. Linda Holiday Sensei of Aikido of Santa Cruz, quoted some words of O'Sensei. The purpose of Aikido is to bring people together in friendship and harmony.

Hombu dojo will be asked about the purpose of the annual survey. Cyndy assured the membership that Hombu Dojo requested only gross numbers of yudansha and kyu ranks. The numbers are probably for general trend statistics.

The membership conducted a moment of silence for the passing of two great teachers. Kazuo Chiba Sensei, 8<sup>th</sup> Dan passed away on June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Rick Stickles Sensei, 7<sup>th</sup> Dan passed away on June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2015. Their contributions to Aikido were great and they will be missed.

Forrest proposed starting the meetings earlier than 1:00 pm if people were done with eating. The majority of people agreed. The meeting lasted about twenty minutes. Forrest closed with a quote from Thich Nhat Hanh relating true love and Aikido.

## Administrative/Financial Report:

Our Bank of America account is currently holding about \$28,294.71. The Pay Pal account holds about \$2,069.52. Our total holdings are \$30,364.23. Our core amount subtracting out the pending promotions to be sent out is approximately \$27,542.23.

One U.S. dollar continues to grow stronger against the yen. It is currently at about 122 Japanese yen to the U.S. dollar. At the last meeting, the yen was at about 120 yen to the

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dollar. Following the last meeting, fees were reduced for godan and rokudan. The fees for shodan to yondan remain the same.

The office continues to perform upgrades to the website. Our database system is being upgraded to File Maker 14. The estimated cost for software will be approximately \$900.00.

Please make sure you have all downloaded and printed the new Guidelines, Rev. March 2015. The Quick Reference for processing ranks has also been edited to show the new prices for godan and rokudan.

All member dojos are paid for the year. This is the first year we have everyone paid up by the February meeting.

Reminder that membership fees must be received by January 31<sup>st</sup>. After that date, the member is charged a \$25.00 late fee. Delinquent members will be sent one notice to submit payment of \$100.00 by February 25<sup>th</sup>, after which they will be terminated and must seek admittance through their Division Head.

We currently have 118 member dojos.

### **New Members:**

#### **Division 1-**

1. None to report

#### **Division 2 –**

1. Aikido Borealis in Alaska – Derek Hedstrom, 3<sup>rd</sup> Dan
2. Hawassa Aikido Dojo in Ethiopia – Demelash Desta Buchena, 1<sup>st</sup> Dan

#### **Division 3-**

1. None to report

Lou Pollack is a person helping the Hawassa Aikido Dojo in Ethiopia. This is the 10<sup>th</sup> year of Aikido in Ethiopia. He expressed his thanks to the Association and presented a video of the students training. Hawassa depends upon a charitable fund to support the dojo. He encouraged the membership to look at the website for Training Across Borders in Greece where there is a link for contributions. He would like to see the 6 new shodans in Ethiopia go to TAB 2015.

### **Webmaster Reminder**

Please continue to submit events to the CAA Calendar. You may contact the web master, Steve Rathbun, at [snrathbun@comcast.net](mailto:snrathbun@comcast.net) or via the link on the **Contact** page. Steve changed his e-mail address some time ago. Please make sure you refresh your screen so that you are not looking at a cached page. Any questions about the website may also be addressed by e-mail.

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### Query to the membership on non-profit or 501 C3 Dojos

Frank King of Salt Lake City

He is seeking advice and information from the membership on 501 C3 non-profit dojos.

He asked if anyone would be willing to share strategies, contacts, etc for philanthropic support of our venture.

Anyone wishing to further discuss the issue was invited to a forum after the meeting.

### New Business/News:

Vince Salvatore of Aikido of Reno has written a book, Fight, Flight, Flow. Linda Holiday of Aikido of Santa Cruz also mentioned her new book.

### Membership Announcements:

Look on the CAA website for seminar details and more. If you wish to add an event or seminar, contact the web master, Steve Rathbun: [snrathbun@comcast.net](mailto:snrathbun@comcast.net)

- September 11-13 Cyndy Hayashi Sensei at Northern Alberta Aikikai
- September 11-13 Aikido Truckee Linda Holiday and Richard Heckler Strozzi
- September 18 Bob Frager and Jack Wada Sensei at Tenchi Aikido
- September 18-20 Clyde Takeguchi Sensei at Aikido of Ashland
- September 18-20 Cyndy Hayashi Sensei at Aikido Academy in Redmond, WA
- September 19-20 Pat Hendricks Sensei at Community Aikido in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada
- September 19 – Elaine Yoder and Denise Barry at Kuma Kai
- September 20<sup>th</sup> Ginny and Pete Breeland at Aikido & Healing Arts of Roseville for a Day of Peace seminar
- October 7-11 TAB in Greece
- October 11 - Denise Barry on principles at Kuma Kai
- October 9-11 Cyndy Hayashi Sensei at University of Utah
- October 16-18 – Frank Doran Sensei at Aikido Northwest
- October 16-18 Pat Hendricks Sensei in Goteborg, Sweden
- October 16-18 Patrick Cassidy, Miles Kessler, Vince Salvatore and Dave Goldberg Sensei at Aikido of Reno
- October 23-25 Kimberly Richardson, Dan Messisco & Yoshihito Shibata at Aikido & Healing Arts of Roseville
- November 7-8 - Frank Doran Sensei at Mateel Aikido 30 year anniversary
- November 21 Frank Doran Sensei at Aikido of Monterey
- November 22 Frank Doran Sensei at Aikido of Santa Cruz
- December 11-13 Cyndy Hayashi Sensei at Aikido of Denver, CO
- December 12 Pat Hendricks Sensei and Aikido of San Leandro training, testing and Christmas Party

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## Announcement of next meeting:

We sincerely thank Frank Doran Sensei, and the students of Aikido West for hosting the meeting and coordinating the luncheon.

The meetings are the last Sunday of February and August. If the last Sunday in August is Labor Day weekend, we normally will schedule the meeting for the Sunday before. The next meeting will be **Sunday, February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at Aikido of San Jose.**

## Adjournment

### Attendance

1. Pat Hendricks	Aikido of San Leandro
2. Jordan Kramer	Aikido of San Leandro
3. Noah Levine	Aikido of San Leandro
4. Akemi Moniwa	Aikido of San Leandro
5. Yvonne Thelwell	Aikido of Arlington
6. Arlene E. Mendibles	Henderson Aikido
7. Vince Salvatore	Aikido of Reno
8. Alex Clark	Aikido of Reno
9. Kat Gallegher	Aikido of Reno
10. Edith Wilson	Aikido of Reno
11. Betsy Kreidberg	Aikido of Reno
12. Louis Jumonville	Hikari Dojo
13. Carla Garrett	Hikari Dojo
14. Charles Bland	Kinjo Dojo
15. Tiffany Bland	Kinjo Dojo
16. Doug Reichart	Aikido of Winnipeg
17. Leanne Reichart	Aikido of Winnipeg
18. Frank Doran	Aikido West
19. Cyndy Hayashi	Aikido West
20. Molly Hale	Aikido West
21. Jeramy Hale	Aikido West
22. Kathryn Klein	Aikido West
23. Ursula Doran	Aikido West
24. Adrienne Wonnacott	Aikido West
25. Paul Thomas	Aikido West
26. Bob Leichner	Aikido West
27. Alex Gologorsky	Aikido West
28. Patrick Boustiha	Aikido West
29. Kevin Kramer	Aikido West
30. Mark Vestrich	Aikido West
31. Jill Baxter	Aikido West
32. Frank King	Aikido West
33. Neville Nason	Aikido West

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34. Jane Nason	Aikido West
35. Shawn Ellingson	Aikido West/Salt Lake City
36. Edgar Johansson	Denver Aikikai
37. Danielle Smith	Aikido of Monterey
38. Michael Smith	Aikido of Monterey
39. Michael Friedl	Aikido of Ashland
40. Veera Kasicharernvat	Ganshinkan Aikido
41. Forrest Kan	Mateel Aikido
42. Mary Celine Brigham	Aikido & Healing Arts Center of Roseville
43. Kevin Kemper	Aikido & Healing Arts Center of Roseville
44. Derek Hedstrom	Aikido Borealis
45. Bill Gray	Aikido Academy
46. Brandon Wolfe-Hunnicut	Merced Aikido
47. Ron Duran	Merced Aikido
48. Frank Bloksberg	Aikido'ka
49. Calvin Koshiyama	Aikido North
50. Craig Fife	Aikido Northwest
51. Mary Tesoro	Aikido of San Luis Obispo
52. Bruce Miller	Aikido Central Coast
53. Linda Holiday	Aikido of Santa Cruz
54. Peter Goldsmith	Aikido of Santa Cruz
55. Tom Gambell	East Bay Aikido
56. Gordon Teekell	East Bay Aikido
57. Robert Lavezzo	East Bay Aikido
58. Lou Pollack	Aikido of Berkeley
59. Tim Magill	Aikido West/Shindai Aikikai, Orlando
60. Robert Nadeau	City Aikido
61. Roy Johnston	City Aikido
62. Charlotte Hatch	City Aikido
63. Lauren Herr	City Aikido
64. Richard Moon	City Aikido/Aikido of Marin
65. Joseph Shelley	Fudoshin Dojo/City Aikido
66. Jack Wada	Aikido of San Jose
67. Jackie Cossmon	Aikido of Mt. View
68. Dave Goldberg	Aikido of San Diego
69. Kathy Adams	Los Gatos Aikido