



Memorandum of Understanding (Project California 2028)

I. Memorandum of Understanding

This Memorandum of Understanding sets out the principles which will guide the activities of the *LA2028 project*. The mission of *Project California 2028* is to maximize the opportunity to develop and strengthen the Taekwondo grassroots community nationwide both in preparation for, and to take advantage of the LA 2028 Olympic Games for the benefit of all stakeholders and the growth of the sport of taekwondo in the United States.

The overriding principle is to provide opportunity to succeed, safely for all taekwondo practitioners, while maintaining world class standards of customer service and communication.

II. Project Partners

The following organizations/entities are participating in California 2028 as partners. They are committed to the mission of California 2028 and will work together to achieve its strategic objective:

Florida Sport Taekwondo Federation, Inc. (FST)
California Unified Taekwondo Association (CUTA)
USA Taekwondo Inc. (USATKD)

Other organizations/entities may join the effort at any time with the joint approval of current stakeholders, if they understand and support the mission and objectives of California 2028 and meet or exceed all athlete safety standards.

III. Meetings

Telephonic meetings between the groups will be held on an ad hoc basis, as required, with at least one in-person meeting per year at a convenient time/location, with the suggestion being at U.S. National Taekwondo Championships.

Other times and locations will be considered as necessary.

Principle Points of Contact:

USATKD

Steve McNally, CEO

Christy Strong Simmons, Senior Director of Events

FLORIDA STATE

Mark Antonucci, CEO

Dennis White, Director and State Head Coach Kyorugi

At any point either organization may delegate tasks within their staff, but ultimately important contact related to decision making or any problems should involve one or more of the individuals listed above on each side.

IV. Goal-Setting

Goals will be reviewed quarterly and revised at least annually throughout the term of the MOU.

V. Initial Commitments

- Both parties agree to work in good faith in support of each other for the common goals of the LA2028 project.
- Both parties commit to communicate effectively, honestly, and confidentially always.
- USATKD commits to work exclusively FST as the current Florida State Association within the Florida state Region, unless otherwise mutually agreed to be in the best interests of the LA2028 project.
- FST commits to work exclusively with USATKD within the Florida state Region, unless otherwise mutually agreed to be in the best interests of the LA2028 project.
- USATKD commits to sanctioning the Florida State Championship through FST for the period 2022 to 2028 (seven consecutive annual events), with a further commitment to negotiate to extend the agreement no later than December 31, 2027. USATKD reserves the right to withdraw this commitment only in the circumstance that FST should fail to meet its athlete safety obligations as an LAO of USATKD under the Protecting Young Victims Act of 2017, or that the current FST leadership is replaced by individuals who do not share the same ideals, commitments and/or goals, as set forth herein or as maybe created from the execution of this MOU.

- USATKD commits to providing training opportunities for Floridian athletes and the Florida State Team with the National Academy athletes and National Team coaches at the National Center of Excellence in Colorado Springs.
- USATKD and FST commit to work together to successfully bid to bring the following international events to the U.S during the period 2024 to 2028:
 - World Taekwondo Cadet & Junior Championships (Orlando)
 - World Taekwondo Grand Prix
 - World Taekwondo Grand Prix Final
 - World Taekwondo Championships – Senior
 - Pan American Championships – Senior, Junior or Cadet
 - Olympic Continental Qualification Tournament
- USATKD commits to fully involve FST in the planning, promotion operation and success of the events listed above as one of our principal partners in the preparation for, and success of the LA 2028 Olympic Games.

VI. Amendments to this Memorandum of Understanding

The partners may agree to amend this Memorandum of Understanding, provided that they support the incorporation of the amendment into this document. This Memorandum of Understanding will remain in effect until December 31, 2028.

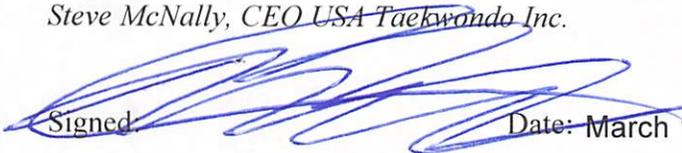
Signed:



Date: March 10, 2022

Steve McNally, CEO USA Taekwondo Inc.

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Mark Antonucci, CEO, Florida Sport Taekwondo Federation, Inc.