

Slogan 2023 – "Imagine someone else's mind" Let us aim lively smiles of 100,000 members

> 25th Anniversary Thanks to everyone

We, Japan Sport Wellness Fukiya Association, celebrates 25th anniversary of establishment on 1st April 2023. This could be achieved by all the supports and cooperation from every member, Bloc, Prefectural Association, Municipal Association and local branch as well as directors and staffs. I sincerely appreciate all of you.

On reaching 25th anniversary, we aim to reform and improve in line with the wishes of our members. As the first step, we are carrying out maintenance and reform of Dan/Kyu-I accrediting examination system. Basic ideas of the reforms are, to remove barriers between general members and junior members, to construct Dan/Kyu-I accrediting system to be challenged by anyone regardless of age, gender, physical strength and ability.

Among them, I wanted to create a Dan/Kyu-I accrediting system that allows both people who are always ambitious and aiming for higher grades and people who are pausing with feeling a barrier of age can maintain motivation in the same way and challenge pleasantly.

We aim to enforce this revised Dan/Kyu-I accrediting system by July this year. We will continue to aim for various improvements.

Based on the annual membership fees and certification fees received from members such as Dan/Kyu-I certification examination, we, Japan Sport Wellness Fukiya Association, promotes projects, public profit projects and common profit projects, for the purposes stated in the Articles of Incorporation. As a non-profit general incorporated association on the premise of being a public interest general incorporated association, we submit income and expenditure budgets and financial reports to the general meeting of members of representative, and publish them on our website after approval. We operate our Association in compliance with the law and with a social awareness. I appreciate it greatly if you understand the above and support us continuously.

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> An organization that embraces diversity

Under this difficult time, we must not forget about someone else's mind and thought. People's way of thinking is infinitely different, but if the purpose is the same, we have to comprehensively move forward with many ways of thinking. Without abandoning anyone, everyone can walk up each other little by little - I believe that by moving forward in a comprehensive way, we can bring everyone closer to achieving their big goals. We believe that this will lead to the formation of a strong organization that moves forward together. I believe that we can become a tolerant and diverse organization by having the humility to listen to other people's words from the other person's point of view. I think that it is very important in a coming era that the entire organization, centering on the Association headquarters, will be like that. Just by "Imagining someone else's mind", wouldn't it be a much brighter and more fun activity than before?

(English translation from Chairman's message published in our bulletin No. 251-252)