Public Minutes

Date: Wednesday, December 13, 2023

Time: 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM

1000 Washington Street, Boston MA, 02118 Conference Room 1D

The meeting was called to order at 2:03 PM.

1. Roll Call

Commissioners:

Bryan Lambert

Oded Carmi

John Navien

Brett Miller

Thomas Lacey

Staff:

Andrew Bridges – Acting Executive Director

Jamie Dalton – Board Counsel

Paige Brenner – Program Coordinator 1

Guy Licciardi – Compliance Officer

Benjamin Donovan – Compliance Officer

Members of the Public:

Richard Cappiello

Michael Polvere

1. **Review/Vote** MSAC minutes for November 8, 2023

Oded Carmi made a motion to approve the MSAC minutes for the November 8, 2023, meeting. John Navien seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

1. Board Counsel Report

Board Counsel Jamie Dalton informed the Commission that the Board would have a case to consider today during investigative conference. Commissioner Oded Carmi inquired regarding the ABC’s request to hold a training session in Massachusetts . Board Counsel stated that she had passed along all of the additional information provided by ABC, that the matter was under review, and no further updates were available at this time.

1. Executive Director Report
	1. Boxer’s Fund Status

The Boxer’s Fund balance is $272,250.19 as of November 30, 2023. No applications are in process currently. The Commission asked whether a communication could be made to all licensees regarding the Boxer’s Fund, perhaps via existing application forms; staff will review options and report back.

* 1. Request for Website Updates

Acting Executive Director Andrew Bridges informed the Commission of some changes that are being made to the website to make it more accessible. The applications are also being updated to be more user-friendly. The updates to the forms will be available after completion of the website accessibility updates.

1. Applications
	1. Review of Boxing Judge’s License for Robert Penagos

After a review of Mr. Penagos’ experience, the chair tabled the boxing judge’s application for Robert Penagos pending 2 shadows.

* 1. Review of MMA Judge’s License for Richard Pontz

This application was tabled for a future meeting.

* 1. Review of Promoter’s License for Richard Cappiello

After a review of Mr. Cappiello’s experience, the chair decided to table the application for review at a future meeting pending additional documentation related to his application.

1. **Discuss** ISKA Sanctioning

The Commission discussed the questions to be directed to ISKA to obtain more information on their practices and processes. The Commission requested that an ISKA representative appears at the next MSAC meeting to discuss these questions in depth and more information be provided on what they hope to accomplish as a potential amateur sanctioning body.

1. **Discuss** Listening Session for State Championship Program

The Commission was advised to forward the dates available in the months of January and February for the listening session for a Boxing and MMA State Championship Program which will be conducted virtually. After availability is determined, the date of the session will be scheduled.

1. **Discuss** Upcoming Events

The Commission briefly reviewed the upcoming events for the remainder of 2023 and into 2024. No action was taken on this item.

1. Open Session for Topics Not Reasonably Anticipated by the Chair 48 Hours in Advance of Meeting

John Navien made a motion to adjourn the public portion of the meeting and to move to closed session. The meeting will then adjourn from closed session. Brett Miller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 3:37 PM.

1. **Investigatory Conference** – CLOSED per M G. L c. 112 §, 65C.