

Massachusetts State Athletic Commission

MONTHLY BOARD MEETING 1000 Washington Street, Boston PUBLIC MINUTES

Date: January 12, 2021 Location: Teleconference Time: 11:00 AM

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:

Paul Karger Chairman
Brian Lambert, Commissioner
David Riccio, Commissioner
Oded Carmi, Commissioner
Brian O'Connell, Commissioner's Designee

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Peter Kelly, Board Counsel
Guy Licciardi, Compliance Officer III
Wilfrid St-Hilaire, Compliance Officer III
Greer Spatz, Executive Director

GUESTS PRESENT:

Christopher J. Traietti
Christopher Palmquist
Marcus Davis

The meeting was called to order by Chair Paul Karger at 11:05 AM.

1. Roll Call

Paul Karger, Chairman
Brian Lambert, Commissioner
Oded Carmi, Commissioner
David Riccio, Commissioner
Peter Kelly, Board Counsel
Guy Licciardi, Compliance Officer III
Wilfrid St-Hilaire, Compliance Officer III

1. A MOTION was made by Commissioner Bryan Lambert to approve the December 8, 2021 minutes. Commissioner Oded Carmi seconded the MOTION. The MOTION was passed by unanimous vote.

2. The Board reviewed a Matchmakers application for Mr. Christopher J. Traietti and determined that Mr. Traietti has the experience to be a Matchmaker for Un-Armed combat sports events. Commissioner Bryan Lambert made a MOTION to approve the application. Commissioner Oded Carmi seconded the MOTION. The MOTION passed by unanimous vote.
3. Christopher Palmquist from MMA.com attended the meeting to give an overview of the database run by MMA.com. Mr. Palmquist discussed his company's intention to have all promoters, across the country, to use the program. The discussion turned toward the issue of asking promoters to pay the fee to use the database and Mr. Palmquist discussed that there could be different payment options for promoters and MMA.com is more interested in getting the promoters to use the program at this point. The Board requested that Mr. Palmquist get specific pricing information to the Board.
4. There have not been any changes to the Department of Public Health's guidance. The Board decided to follow the requirements of the city or town where the venue is that is holding the event is located. The Board further decided to keep the item on the agenda for the next MSAC meeting on February 8, 2022.
5. There was an update on upcoming events and it was reported that January 22, 2022, a Muay Thai event was scheduled at the Melrose Memorial Hall in Melrose.
6. Board Counsel Peter Kelly advised the Board that proposed new regulations are currently being reviewed by the agency's General Counsel and there is no updated information to report.
7. There were concerns raised by Marcus Davis regarding contract breaches by a specific promoter. The Board indicated that it was not appropriate to discuss pending investigations at this time.
8. Chairman Karger made a MOTION to conclude the meeting. Commissioner Bryan Lambert seconded the MOTION. The meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote at 12:17PM.

Board Exhibits:

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Matchmakers Application for Christopher J. Traietti