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Public Minutes

Date: Wednesday, August 10, 2022

Time: 2:00 PM

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

The meeting was called to order at 2:03 PM. At this point Chair Bryan Lambert called Commissioner Brett Miller so that he was able to attend the meeting via phone call.

1. Roll Call

Commissioners:

Bryan Lambert

Oded Carmi

David Riccio

Brett Miller (via phone)

Brian O'Connell

Staff:

Greer Spatz Croxford – Executive Director

Sheila York – Board Counsel

Paige Brenner- Program Coordinator

Members of the Public:

Michael Polvere

Ryan Rosche

Martin Grealish

2. **Review/ Vote** MSAC minutes for July 26, 2022

Oded Carmi made a **Motion** to approve the July 26, 2022 meeting minutes, and the motion was **Seconded** by Brian O'Connell. A **Roll Call** vote was taken where Bryan Lambert voted **YES**, Oded Carmi voted **YES**, David Riccio voted **YES**, Brett Miller voted **YES**, and Brian O'Connell voted **YES**. The Motion passed **Unanimously**.



3. Board Counsel Report

Sheila York introduced herself as board counsel to the Commission for the 8/10 meeting.

4. Applications

1. Review of Promoter for Boxing application for Martin Grealish

As Mr. Grealish was present at today's meeting, the Commission decided to review his application first. After a discussion of Mr. Grealish's qualifications and history with Boxing, the Commission noted some documentation was missing. Mr. Grealish indicated he would send the correct and completed documentation to staff within the week. Oded Carmi made a **Motion** to approve the Boxing Promoter application for Martin Grealish, subject to staff receipt and approval of missing documentation from application. Brian O'Connell **Seconded** the Motion. A **Roll Call** vote was taken where Bryan Lambert voted **YES**, Oded Carmi voted **YES**, David Riccio voted **YES**, Brett Miller voted **YES**, and Brian O'Connell voted **YES**. The Motion passed **Unanimously**.

2. Review of Judge for Muay Thai application for Amber Trapassi

Chair Bryan Lambert called Amber Trapassi to review her application for Muay Thai Judge. After a discussion and review of her experience as a Muay Thai referee, as well as her further qualifications outside of the state and with the Muay Thai Federation, Oded Carmi made a **Motion** to approve the Muay Thai Judge application for Amber Trapassi. Brian O'Connell **Seconded** the Motion. A **Roll Call** vote was taken where Bryan Lambert voted **YES**, Oded Carmi voted **YES**, David Riccio voted **YES**, Brett Miller voted **YES**, and Brian O'Connell voted **YES**. The Motion passed **Unanimously**.

3. Review of Promoter for Boxing application for Bert Dearing Jr.

Chair Bryan Lambert called Mr. Dearing and after reviewing the updated documents provided to the Commission, as well as discussing Mr. Dearing's plan for beginning as a promoter within the Commonwealth, Oded Carmi made a **Motion** to approve the Boxing Promoter application for Bert Dearing Jr. Brian O'Connell **Seconded** the Motion. A **Roll Call** vote was taken where Bryan Lambert voted **YES**, Oded Carmi voted **YES**, David Riccio voted **YES**, Brett Miller voted **YES**, and Brian O'Connell voted **YES**. The Motion passed **Unanimously**.

5. **Review/ Vote** Punch 4 Parkinson's Variance Request

Commissioner Miller did not participate in the discussion of or deliberation upon these matters. After reviewing the premise of the request for the variance and the reasoning for making certain requests, the Commission took the following actions:

Oded Carmi made a **Motion** to issue a variance on Section 6.02 b, d and e for the Punch for Parkinson's October 2, 2022 event. Brian O'Connell **Seconded** the Motion. A **Roll Call** vote was

taken where Bryan Lambert voted **YES**, Oded Carmi voted **YES**, David Riccio voted **YES**, and Brian O'Connell voted **YES**. The Motion passed **Unanimously**.

Oded Carmi made a **Motion** to issue a variance on Section 9.01 and 9.10 for the Punch for Parkinson's October 2, 2022 event. Brian O'Connell **Seconded** the Motion. A **Roll Call** vote was taken where Bryan Lambert voted **YES**, Oded Carmi voted **YES**, David Riccio voted **YES**, and Brian O'Connell voted **YES**. The Motion passed **Unanimously**.

Oded Carmi made a **Motion** to issue a variance on Section 10.01, 10.04, 10.05, 10.06, 10.07, 10.11, and 10.12 for the Punch for Parkinson's October 2, 2022 event. Brian O'Connell **Seconded** the Motion. A **Roll Call** vote was taken where Bryan Lambert voted **YES**, Oded Carmi voted **YES**, David Riccio voted **YES**, and Brian O'Connell voted **YES**. The Motion passed **Unanimously**.

Oded Carmi made a **Motion** to issue a variance on Section 13.01 and 13.02 for the Punch for Parkinson's October 2, 2022 event. Brian O'Connell **Seconded** the Motion. A **Roll Call** vote was taken where Bryan Lambert voted **YES**, Oded Carmi voted **YES**, David Riccio voted **YES**, and Brian O'Connell voted **YES**. The Motion passed **Unanimously**.

Oded Carmi made a **Motion** to issue a variance on Section 14.05 for the Punch for Parkinson's October 2, 2022 event. Brian O'Connell **Seconded** the Motion. A **Roll Call** vote was taken where Bryan Lambert voted **YES**, Oded Carmi voted **YES**, David Riccio voted **YES**, and Brian O'Connell voted **YES**. The Motion passed **Unanimously**.

6. **Review/Discuss** Potential changes to SAC Trainer Application 2018

Chair Bryan Lambert lead the discussion by indicating the discussion should primarily revolve around what information is being asked on the trainer application. After this was discussed, it was noted there should be a request on the application to have an additional \$50 be requested for each discipline a potential licensee is looking to obtain.

The Commission requested that staff provide a species gym trainer license to be reviewed as part of the materials for the next meeting. Thereafter, if there are proposed changes to the trainer application, the draft version will be brought to the Commission for review and approval prior to finalization.

7. **Discuss** Bond required covering fighters' purses

Chair Bryan Lambert referenced MGL Chapter 147 Section 34 to lead the discussion and indicated a desire for the Commission state to licensed fighters that if they do not receive payment from a Promoter they should be able to file a claim against a Promoter's bond and obtain their contractual payment amount. After a further discussion, Board Counsel and the Executive Director will review the language located within the bond and in the MGL to determine to what extent a licensed individual has standing to make a claim against a promoter's bond.

8. **Discuss** ABC Convention Report

This was tabled for a future meeting.

9. **Review/Discuss** Officials Pay Adjustment Proposal by Alan Lau (Schedule Listening Session)

The Commission agreed the date for the listening session for the MSAC licensed official's potential changes in pay would occur virtually on August 29, 2022 from 11 AM to 12 PM.

10. Upcoming Events

Upcoming Events were discussed, and the Commission requested a method to be able to access the information regarding Upcoming Events at their discretion. It was determined a copy of Upcoming Events would be included in an internal repository for Commission members to access, as a publicly facing website containing this information would not be an option.

11. **Discuss** Schedule our next Reg Review Meeting

The next regulation review meeting is scheduled to be a virtual meeting on August 31, 2022 from 2 PM to 4 PM.

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

Chair Bryan Lambert asked if there could be a list of licensed officials that are eligible to be scheduled to assist at events as the need arises. Staff is to provide a list of individuals to the Commission at a future meeting.

13. **Closed Session**, pursuant to G. L. c. 112, § 65C in order to conduct investigatory conferences.

Oded Carmi made a **Motion** to exit open session and to enter closed session for the purposes of conducting investigatory conferences pursuant to G. L. c. 112, § 65C and thereupon to adjourn the meeting. David Riccio **Seconded** the motion. A **Roll Call** vote was taken where Bryan Lambert voted **YES**, Oded Carmi voted **YES**, David Riccio voted **YES**, and Brian O'Connell voted **YES**. The Motion passed **Unanimously**.

The meeting adjourned at 4:38

Documents Used during Meeting:

MSAC minutes for July 26, 2022
Promoter for Boxing application for Martin Grealish
Muay Thai application for Amber Trapassi
Promoter for Boxing application for Bert Dearing Jr.
Punch 4 Parkinson's Variance Request and accompanying documents
SAC Trainer Application 2018
Upcoming Events List