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## Public Minutes

## Date: Monday, August 1st, 2022

Time: 2:00 PM

**Virtual Meeting** 

1. Roll Call

Commissioners: Bryan Lambert – Chair Oded Carmi Dave Riccio Brett Miller Brian O'Connell

Staff: Greer Spatz Croxford – Executive Director Peter Kelley – Board Counsel Paige Brenner – Program Coordinator I

Guests: Peter Warriner MD Christopher Traietti Bryan Miner Peter Czymbor Mike Polvere

- 2. Discuss Regulatory Review
  - 1. 523 CMR 13.00: WEIGHT CLASSES, WEIGH-INS, PRE- AND POST-FIGHT PHYSICAL EXAMINATIONS, AND MEDICAL CONDITIONS

Chair Bryan Lambert lead the discussion with an overview of previously discussed amendments. Board Counsel Peter Kelley informed the board that Section 13.04.6 gives the Commission authority to have subsequent weigh ins after the initial weigh in, and a

policy could be drafted to determine what the process would be. General discussion of consent forms.

Other specific edits included:

Section 13.04.2 is to include "initial" before the phrase "weigh in"

Section 13.06.2 was discussed in depth. The Commission determined that the change in language would state "for professionals, failure to make weight by 4% above the top weight of the weight class cancels the bout."

For Section 13.06.3 The Commission determined that the change in language would state "for amateurs, failure to make weight by 2% above the top weight of the weight class cancels the bout." General discussion on reimbursing promoters for costs associated with unarmed combatants' failure to make weight.

2. 523 CMR 14.00: GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL UNARMED COMBAT CONTESTS AND EXHIBITIONS

General discussion of requirement of two ringside physicians in § 14.08(1). Commission determined there should remain a minimum of 2 physicians required at each event, to maintain fighter safety.

Section 14.20.2C to include "or other ringside official" between "referee" and "error resulting in a decision given to the wrong unarmed combatant."

The remaining Sections were tabled for the next regulation review meeting.

3. Other matters not reasonably anticipated 48 hours in advance of meeting.

No matters were brought to the board that were not reasonably anticipated 48 hours in advance of meeting. A reminder was given to all in attendance that the next meeting would be a regular monthly meeting on August 10, 2022 from 2 PM to 4 PM and would be held in person at 1000 Washington Street, Boston MA 02118, Conference Room 1D.

The meeting adjourned at 4:04 PM.

Documents Used During Meeting: 523 CMR redlined copies of Section 13.00 and 14.00