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Massachusetts State Athletic Commission Virtual Meeting Minutes

Date: December 10, 2025

Time: 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

1. Roll Call

Josh Zakim - Chair	X present <input type="checkbox"/> absent
John Navien	X present <input type="checkbox"/> absent
Brett Miller	X present <input type="checkbox"/> absent
Melissa Kelly	X present <input type="checkbox"/> absent
Sean Pierce	X present <input type="checkbox"/> absent

2. Discuss / Vote Approval of Meeting Minutes from November 12, 2025

Commissioner Navien made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from November 12, 2025, which was seconded by Commissioner Kelly. A roll call vote was conducted and the motion passed unanimously 5-0.

3. Executive Director Report

Bruce Johnson reported that the Boxers' Fund current balance as of 12/09/25 was \$168,551.77.

4. Board Counsel Report

Board Counsel did not have a report this month.

5. Applications

6. Variance Request from Chris Traietti for May 16, 2026, event

Mr. Traietti requested the following variances for a tournament event: fighters to be paid at the end of the tournament; two combatants to compete twice before being paid; to not allow a 11lb weight allowance for tournament participants; -doctor to medically clear the winners of the two bouts before either can compete in the finals; 2 bouts for 2 fighters in the same day with a minimum of 2 hours rest in between bouts; and, an extra round of sudden death if needed for a Granite Chin event on Saturday, May 16, 2026.

Commissioner Navien made a motion to approve the variance request as submitted, which was seconded by Commissioner Miller. A roll call vote was conducted, and the motion passed



unanimously 5-0.

7. Discussion of 523 CMR 6.08

Commissioners continued discussing licensing requirements for ring officials. The discussion focused on experience and considered whether letters of recommendation or different specific requirements for different license types would be appropriate. This topic will be added to the January 14, 2026, MSAC Monthly meeting agenda to continue the discussion.

8. Open session for topics not reasonably anticipated by the Chair 48 hours in advance of the meeting.

Commissioners instructed staff to continue scheduling Commission meetings on the second Wednesday of the month throughout 2026.

A motion was made by Commissioner Navien at 1:45 p.m. to close public session and move to closed Quasi-Judicial Session, and adjourn from there, which was seconded by Commissioner Pierce. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

9. Executive Session CLOSED per M.G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(1), to discuss the reputation, character, physical condition or mental health, rather than professional competence, of an individual.