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Massachusetts State Athletic Commission
Public Meeting Minutes
Date: Wednesday, December 11, 2024
Time: 1:30 PM – 4:00 PM
Virtual Meeting

Meeting called to order at 1:31pm

1. Roll Call
Bryan Lambert- Present
Thomas Lacey -Present
Brett Miller -Present (arrived late)
John Navien -Present
Oded Carmi- Present

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Lambert made a motion to approve the November 10, 2024, meeting Minutes, which was seconded by Commissioner Navien. A roll call vote was conducted, and the motion passed unanimously.

3. Executive Director Report

Executive Director Christopher Rogers reported that the current balance of the Boxers' Fund is \$141,794.77, and no applications are currently under review.

Mr. Rogers informed the Commission that there have been staff discussions about improving the fight card approval process. He will schedule individual meetings each Commissioner who has a fight card to review and approve, where they can discuss any issues related to that fight card. Mr. Rogers suggested moving to BoxRec as a platform for fight card approvals, as it has many features that will be helpful for this process. He added that the State form is still required, which will not change.

Mr. Rogers stated that USA Boxing appears to be nearing 100% of their officials licensed by the Commission, with a few applications still pending.

4. Board Counsel Report
5. Applications



- i. Earl Peterson was absent for today's meeting. After a discussion, the Commission tabled the Muay Thai Referee application.
- ii. Josh P Zoccola was absent for today's meeting. After a discussion, the Commission tabled the Deputy Commissioner application.
- iii. Julie E Cohen was absent for today's meeting. After a discussion, the Commission tabled the Muay Thai Referee and Judge application.
- iv. Martin Grealish was present for today's meeting. After a discussion with the applicant, Commissioner Carmi made a motion to approve the Promoter License, which was seconded by Commissioner Lambert. A roll call vote was conducted, and the motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

Commissioner Brett Miller joined the meeting.

- v. Phillip A Syers was absent for today's meeting. After a discussion, the Commission tabled the Boxing Manager application.
- vi. Michael Wober was absent for today's meeting. After a discussion, the Commission tabled the Muay Thai Referee and Judge application.

6. Hearing on licensee Alejandro Fugon pursuant to 523 Code of Massachusetts Regulations 14.20 (Change of Decision).

Mr. Fugon was present for today's hearing. Executive Director Christopher Rogers played video from the boxing match, provided by Mr. Fugon, for the Commission's review.

Mr. Fugon testified, was asked questions by Commissioners, and had the opportunity to ask questions and call witnesses. He believes the decision should have been "no contest" because of the doctor stopping the fight.

Commissioner Carmi made a motion to take the matter under advisement, which was seconded by Commissioner Navien. A roll call vote was conducted, and the motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

7. Open session for Topics not Reasonably anticipated by the Chair 48 Hours in Advance of Meeting

Commissioner Lambert requested that Deputy Commissioner pay structure be added to a future meeting agenda.

At 2:15 p.m., Commissioner Lambert made a motion to adjourn the meeting and move into closed session and adjourn from there, which was seconded by Commissioner Carmi. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously

- 8. Investigatory Conference – CLOSED per M.G.L c. 112, § 65C
- 9. Quasi-Judicial Session - CLOSED per M.G.L c. 30A, § 18(d)