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Public Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, April 24, 2024

Time: 1:30 PM – 4:00 PM

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

Hybrid Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 1:36 PM

1. Roll Call

Commissioners

Bryan Lambert
Oded Carmi
Thomas Lacey
Brett Miller

Staff

Chris Rogers
Jamie Dalton
Andrew Bridges
Paige Brenner

Members of the Public

Alex Sepulveda
Azamat Kozhakhmetov
Zhadyra Assetkyzy
Mike Polvere

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

- MSAC minutes for February 22, 2024, and April 13, 2024



Brett Miller made a motion to approve the meeting minutes for February 22, 2024.

Thomas Lacey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Brett Miller made a motion to approve the meeting minutes for April 13, 2024. Thomas

Lacey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Board Counsel Report

Board Counsel Jamie Dalton informed the board of a hearing to be scheduled for the May MSAC meeting and accordingly, the agenda may be lighter to accommodate the hearing. Board Counsel also informed the Commission that another Board Counsel would be standing in for her during the regularly scheduled June meeting.

4. Executive Director Report

- Boxer's Fund Status

As of March 31, 2024 the Boxer's Fund total is \$277,720.64, and no applications are currently under review.

5. Discussion

- USA Boxing Monthly Report

The Commission discussed with Alex Sepulveda the information about recent events provided to the Commission. A brief discussion of how to address events believed to be unsanctioned followed. The Commission directed any concerns of unsanctioned events be brought to the attention of the Commission's staff.

- Applications

1. Review of Boxing Manager's Application for Azamat Kozhakhmetov

After a brief discussion with the applicant, Oded Carmi made a motion to approve the application for Azamat Kozhakhmetov. Brett Miller seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-1. Thomas Lacey opposed the motion.

2. Review of MMA Manager's Application for Zhadyra Assetkyzy

After a brief discussion with the applicant, Oded Carmi made a motion to approve the application for Zhadyra Assetkyzy. Brett Miller seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-1. Thomas Lacey opposed the motion.

- Variance Request for Cage Titans event May 25, 2024

After a brief discussion regarding the requested variance, Thomas Lacey made a motion to approve the variance request as submitted. Brett Miller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- Delegation of variance requests under 523 CMR 14.08

The Commission discussed with staff the best practices for approving variance requests pertaining specifically to 523 CMR 14.08 regarding approving one ringside physician for a given event. Oded Carmi made a motion to delegate the review of a variance request to the Chair of MSAC or the designated commissioner for the event. Thomas Lacey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- Shadowing Criteria

The Commission addressed a concern of applicants for various licenses being ring ready to perform duties related to their licensed position at Commission-licensed events. Topics including safety, punctuality, professionalism, and CMR compliance were discussed, as well as who would be verifying the completion of the training. The Commission also discussed considering recommending that certain applicants apply to serve first as deputy commissioners. Staff stressed that determining competency in the various licenses in a consistent manner is needed for properly licensing ringside officials. It was determined the Chair would write up draft criteria and questions and further discuss this topic with the Commission at a future meeting.

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

No matters were brought before the Commission that were not reasonably anticipated 48 hours in advance of the meeting. Oded Carmi made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Thomas Lacey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 3:27 PM.