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Massachusetts State Athletic Commission Virtual Meeting Minutes

Date: July 09, 2025

Time: 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Meeting called to order at 1:03pm

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
TJ Lacey	X present <input type="checkbox"/> absent
Melissa Kelly	X present <input type="checkbox"/> absent

2. Discuss / Vote Approval of Meeting Minutes from June 11, 2025

Commissioner Navien made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from June 11, 2025, which was seconded by Commissioner Lacey. A roll call vote was conducted and the motion passed unanimously.

3. Executive Director Report

Executive Director Rogers reminded the Commission of the special MSAC meeting scheduled for July 16, 2025, to hold disciplinary hearings. He reported the Boxers' Fund balance of \$159,890.80 and that there was one pending application that would be reviewed later in the meeting.

Executive Director Rogers reported that he has reached out to all promoters and matchmakers informing them to submit only complete fight cards to the Commission for review and urged the licensees to submit the completed fight cards well ahead of the 10-day requirement.

4. Board Counsel Report

Board Counsel Jamie Dalton informed the Commission about two Superior Court cases where the Commission has been named a Defendant. She reported that the agency is working with the Attorney General's Office to respond as required.



Board Counsel Jamie Dalton explained two requests for postponement for disciplinary cases scheduled for July 16. Dr. Ballenas requested postponement because of his Superior Court appeal. The Commission found that the matters are unrelated and denied the request for postponement.

Ms. Croke requested postponement because an essential witness is unavailable. The Commission reviewed evidence of unavailability and granted the request.

5. Discuss / Vote Deputy Commissioner Status Review for Justin Bombardier

Commissioner Zakim provided background surrounding this agenda item. Justin Bombardier was present and spoke to the Commission. A lengthy conversation between the Commission and Justin Bombardier ensued and resulted in the recommendation that Justin Bombardier attend the next Deputy Commissioner training in-person and the Commission made clear the expectation of working an event in its entirety and carrying out tasks assigned to him by Chief Deputy Commissioners and Commission staff. Mr. Bombardier committed to cooperating with this approach.

6. Applications

a. Azamat Kozhakhmetov MMA Manager Application (Tabled in June)

i. Boxing Promoter Application

After a brief conversation with the applicant, Commissioner Kelly made a motion to approve the MMA Manager and the Boxing Promoter Applications for Azamat Kozhakhmetov, which was seconded by Commissioner Navien. A roll call vote was conducted and the motion passed unanimously.

b. Bryan Miner Boxing Referee Application

After a brief conversation with the applicant, Commissioner Kelly made a motion to approve the Boxing Referee Application for Bryan Miner, which was seconded by Commissioner Navien. A roll call vote was conducted and the motion passed unanimously.

c. Chris Morabito Deputy Commissioner Application (Tabled in June)

After a brief conversation with the applicant, Commissioner Miller made a motion to deputize Chris Morabito, which was seconded by Commissioner Navien. A roll call vote was conducted and the motion passed unanimously.

d. Thomas Silva MMA Manager Application (Tabled in June)

After a brief conversation with the applicant, Commissioner Zakim tabled the MMA Manager Application for Thomas Silva to allow him time to familiarize himself with the relevant regulations.

e. Samuel Loomis Boxing Promoter Application

After a lengthy conversation with the applicant, Commissioner Miller made a motion to deny the Boxing Promoter Application for Samuel Loomis, without prejudice, which was seconded by Commissioner Navien. A roll call vote was conducted and the motion passed unanimously.

f. Miguel Sevasin Boxers' Fund Application (Closed Executive Session)

The Commission approved the disbursement of up to \$4,334.43 from the Boxers' Fund for this matter.

- 7. Open session for topics not reasonably anticipated by the Chair 48 hours in advance of meeting.**
- 8. Investigatory Conference - CLOSED per M.G.L c. 112, § 65C**
- 9. Quasi-Judicial Session - CLOSED per M.G.L c. 30A, § 18(d)**