Call to Order – Approval of Minutes

A meeting of the West Virginia Athletic Commission was called to order February 1, 2018 at approximately 11:00 AM.

Commission Members present: None of the Commissioners attended in person. Commission Members joining by telephone: Chairman Leon Ramsey, Secretary Paul Thornton, Commissioner Dr. Tim Peasak, and Commissioner Tony Figaretti. Also present were: Connie Brammer, Crystal Crouch, Keith Morgan, and members of the public.

Issues and Action Items

The first item was approval of the minutes of the previous meeting. Secretary Thornton moved to approve the minutes of the January 25, 2017 meeting. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Dr. Peasak and passed by unanimous voice vote.
The next item was review and approval of the Entries and professional fight card for Toughman Tournament in Parkersburg, WV scheduled for February 2-3, 2017. Commissioner Ramsey advised promoter Jerry Thomas has submitted a list of entries and his certification of Due Diligence. The list includes the name of one fighter who is under a medical suspension and the promoter, as well as the Chief Deputy, has been provided with the list of currently suspended fighters. This fighter, should he appear, will not be allowed to fight. Chairman Ramsey presented the professional fights scheduled for this event. Secretary Thornton moved to approve B. Robinson vs T. White and, separately, to approve A. Satterfield vs A. Trotter. Commissioner Figaretti seconded each motion, both of which passed by unanimous voice vote. Officials for this event were previously approved.

The next item was review and approval of a professional boxing match for Mike Sheppard’s Pro-Am event in Parkersburg, WV scheduled for April 14, 2018 presented by Chairman Ramsey. Secretary Thornton moved to approve D. Miller vs E. Palmer pending medical clearance for Miller who is over 40. Commissioner Dr. Peasak seconded the motion which was passed by unanimous voice vote.
The next item was review the proposed fight card for VFL Pro-Am Boxing and MMA in Martinsburg, WV scheduled for February 10, 2018. Review revealed many proposed bouts may not meet the criteria for matching established by unified rules. Chairman Ramsey will review criteria, speak with the promoter, and fight card, as well as officials, will be addressed at the next meeting on February 8, 2018.

Discussion occurred regarding the arrangements for Commissioner to perform early weigh-in for an event this weekend. This is not advisable and should be avoided in the future. However, no action was taken as a result of this discussion.

Secretary Thornton moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Figaretti seconded the motion which was passed by unanimous voice vote.

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Leon Ramsey
Chairman

Date signed: _______________________

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Connie Brammer