

MINUTES

WEST VIRGINIA ATHLETIC COMMISSION

September 27, 2018

Call to Order – Approval of Minutes

A meeting of the West Virginia Athletic Commission was called to order September 27, 2018 at approximately 11:00 AM.

Commission Members present: Chairman Leon Ramsey. Commission Members joining by telephone: Secretary Paul Thornton and Commissioner Dr. Tim Peasak. Also present were: Connie Brammer, Crystal Crouch, and Keith Morgan. No members of the public attended this meeting.

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 August 30, 2018 meeting. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Dr. Peasak and passed by unanimous voice vote.

The next item was review and approval of the officials/fight card for upcoming events. The next scheduled event is October 20, 2018 promoted by Mike Sheppard in Parkersburg, WV. No official's list or bout card is available. Discussion occurred regarding a proposed bout between John Colvin and Tim Cline. Colvin has a record of 3

wins and 14 losses against Cline's record of 0 wins and 2 losses. Commissioners agreed this bout would most likely be approved if officially presented but no vote is taken at this time.

The next item was a review of sample fighter contracts obtained from the Association of Boxing Commissions website and other state Commissions. Copies of section of the Muhammad Ali Act dealing with contractual guidelines, the West Virginia contract most commonly used, the official Ohio Contract and the official Pennsylvania contract have been provided to each Commissioner via e-mail. Commissioners will continue to review these items and vote on a standardized contract at the next meeting.

The next item was adoption of the criteria for approving Title Fights. After discussion, Secretary Thornton moved to have separate application for title fights submitted 30 days prior to the date of the scheduled fight. For State Titles, the Commission will ensure contestants meet the established criteria. For titles awarded by other sanctioning bodies the application will simply require approval of the bout. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Dr. Peasak and passed by unanimous voice vote.

The next item considered was amending the wording of the policies regarding successive losses by KO/TKO to enhance clarity. After discussion, Commissioner Dr. Peasak moved to change the wording of the 10-straight loss policy from "10 or more" to "more than 9" and to add the phrase "as verified by Fight Fax" to this policy as well as the KO/TKO successive loss policy. Motion was seconded by Secretary Thornton and passed by unanimous voice vote.

The next item considered was changes to the Commission Web Page. After discussion, it is determined an opening statement more descriptive of the goals of the

Commission is needed, as well as a change in the banner picture. Commissioners will collaborate to develop the statement and choose the picture, which will be voted on at the next meeting.

There being no additional business, Secretary Thornton moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Dr. Peasak seconded the motion which was passed by unanimous voice vote.

Leon Ramsey
Chairman

Date signed: _____

Connie Brammer