

MINUTES

WEST VIRGINIA ATHLETIC COMMISSION

January 12, 2017

Call to Order – Approval of Minutes

A meeting of the West Virginia Athletic Commission was called to order January 12, 2017 at approximately 11:00 AM.

Commission Members present: Chairman Leon Ramsey. Commission Members joining by telephone: Secretary Paul Thornton, and Commissioner Tim Peasak. Also present were: Connie Brammer, Crystal Crouch, Keith Morgan, Pam Lopez, 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 5, 2017 meeting. This motion was seconded by Chairman Ramsey and passed by unanimous voice vote.

The next item was review and approval of the officials/fight card for Toughman Competition in Ridgely, WV scheduled for January 13-14, 2017. Chairman Ramsey

reported there will be two (2) pro fights on this card, bloodwork and fight faxes have been received for all professional fighters. Secretary Thornton moved to approve the first pro fight. Commissioner Peasak seconded the motion which was passed by unanimous voice vote. Secretary Thornton moved to approve the second prof bout. Commissioner Peasak seconded the motion which passed by unanimous voice vote. Chairman Ramsey reported Promoter Jerry Thomas has submitted his Due Diligence Waiver. Secretary Thornton moved to accept the entrants on the faith of the due diligence waiver. Commissioner Peasak seconded the motion which passed by unanimous voice vote. Chairman Ramsey presented the officials for this event. Secretary Thornton moved to approve the officials. Chairman Ramsey seconded the motion which was passed by unanimous voice vote.

The next item was review and approval of the officials/fight card for Rough N owdy Brawl in Charleston, WV scheduled for January 13-14, 2017. Chairman Ramsey reported Promoter Chris Smith has submitted his Due Diligence Waiver. Secretary Thornton moved to approve the entrants based on the Due Diligence Waiver. Commissioner Peasak seconded the motion which was passed by unanimous voice vote. Chairman Ramsey presented attractions added to the fith card. Secretary Thornton moved to approve the

professional kickboxing bout between Hanson and Keene. Commissioner Peasak seconded the motion which passed by unanimous voice vote. Secretary Thornton moved to approve the AMMA Title fight between Pointier and Chambers. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Peasak and passed by unanimous voice vote. Secretary Thornton moved to approve the Pro MMA bout between Brown and Lane. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Peasak and passed by unanimous voice vote. Secretary Thornton moved to approve the pro boxing bout between Hagler and Whittington. Commissioner Peasak seconded the motion which passed by unanimous voice vote.

Discussion occurred regarding protests filed by fighters and/or their management team. Consensus of opinion is that the only protests that will be considered will be those file for rule violations. There is nothing in either the WVAC or ABC rules that allow protests of decisions based on judging factors. No official action was taken on this issue.

Discussion occurred regarding amending the policy requiring fighters with 10 or more straight losses to only be approved in bouts with opponents who also have 10 or more straight losses. This issue will be added to the agenda for a future meeting.

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

Leon Ramsey
Chairman

Date signed: _____

Connie Brammer