

# MINUTES

## WEST VIRGINIA ATHLETIC COMMISSION

August 10, 2017

### **Call to Order – Approval of Minutes**

A meeting of the West Virginia Athletic Commission was called to order August 10, 2017 at approximately 11:00 AM.

Commission Members present: Chairman Leon Ramsey. Commission Members joining by telephone: Secretary Paul Thornton and Commissioner Tony Figaretti. Also present were: Connie Brammer, Sean Whelan, 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 August 3, 2017 meeting. This motion was seconded by Chairman Ramsey and passed by unanimous voice vote.

The next item was review and approval of the fight card for the Battle in the Boneyard II in Parkersburg, WV scheduled for August 12, 2017. Chairman Ramsey presented the fight card for this event. Secretary Thornton moved to approve the fight

card for this event with the exception of Spencer vs Caprini, and AMMA bout which does not appear to meet rules regarding experience. Chairman Ramsey seconded the motion which was passed by unanimous voice vote. Officials for this event were approved at a previous meeting.

The next item was determination of specific medical requirements for combatants more than 40 years old. This issue is tabled due to the absence of Dr. Peasak. Chairman Ramsey reported West Virginia is currently following guidelines in use in Pennsylvania and other states until Dr. Peasak can review further and make recommendations.

The next item was a determination of regulations for wrestling not under the jurisdiction of the WVSSAC. Per counsel Sean Whelan, this issue may require statutory or rule changes. He advised the deadline for proposals is next week and drafting the proposals are in progress.

The next item to be discussed was a training seminar for WVAC Commissioners, Chief Deputies, and administrative personnel. Date is set as September 16, 2017 with Stonewall Jackson Resort or Flatwood as proposed location. Plans will be finalized and invitations extended to officials, staff, and others at the next WVAC meeting.

Secretary Thornton moved to go into executive session to discuss proposals for statutory modifications and an appropriate response to the request for administrative review of July 22, 2017 Edgewood Promotions event in which a fighter alleges he was not paid and contract was not honored. Motion was seconded by Chairman Ramsey and passed by unanimous voice vote.

- Executive session began at: 11:15 AM
- Executive session ended at: 12:00 PM

Following Executive Session Secretary Thornton moved to proceed with the proposed statutory rule changes. Motion was seconded by Chairman Ramsey and passed by unanimous voice vote.

No additional action was taken as a result of the Executive Session.

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