

MARYLAND STATE ATHLETIC COMMISSION

MINUTES - WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14, 2017

On Wednesday, June 14, 2017, the Maryland State Athletic Commission meeting was called to order by Chairman Arnold “Arnie” Dansicker at 2:18 p.m.. Present were the following: Chairman Dansicker; Commissioner Sean Malone; Commissioner Lenny Moore; Commissioner David Norman; Patrick Pannella, Executive Director; Eric London, Counsel; and Dreama Anderson, Administrative Specialist. Absent: Commissioner Ben Alperstein.

APPROVAL OF PRO-AM BOXING EVENTS

Executive Director Pannella led a Commission discussion in regard to the professional or pro-am boxing events currently scheduled to be held in the State of Maryland.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Malone, and seconded by Commissioner Moore, the Commission voted unanimously (4-0) to approve the following boxing event, which had been previously approved by the Commission as a professional boxing event, as a pro-am boxing event:

Pro-Am Boxing Event
Saturday, June 17, 2017 - 5:00 p.m. Starting Time
The Clarence “Du” Burns Arena
3100 Boston Street - Baltimore, Maryland
Promoter: Baltimore Boxing and Fitness, LLC, advertising as
Shabazz Brotherz.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Norman, seconded by Commissioner Malone, the Commission voted unanimously (4-0) to approve the following pro-am boxing event:

Professional Boxing Event
Thursday, July 12, 2017 - 8:00 p.m. Starting Time
Michael’s Eighth Avenue

7220 Grayburn Drive - Glen Burnie, Maryland
Promoter: Murray “Jake” Smith, Jr., advertising as
Baltimore Boxing and Fitness, LLC.

CHAIRMAN’S REPORT

The Chairman had no report.

COUNSEL’S REPORT

The Commission Counsel had no report.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

The Commission Executive Director had no report.

DISCUSSION OF AMBULANCE CREW PRESENCE AND ARRIVAL TIME AT COMMISSION-SANCTIONED PRO-AM BOXING EVENTS

The Commission held a discussion in regard to an ambulance crew consisting of a paramedic and an emergency medical technician currently being required per Commission regulation to be present while professional boxing contests are occurring during a pro-am boxing event, with the amateur boxing contests preceding these professional boxing contests not having to adhere to such a requirement. The Commission noted that, while the amateur boxing contests featured in pro-am boxing event are not regulated by the Commission and, thus, are not subject to Commission regulation, the pro-am boxing event as an entity receives a Commission sanction in order to be held. The Commission argued that, for the purpose of boxers’ safety, an ambulance crew consisting of a paramedic and an emergency medical technician should be present for both amateur boxing contests and professional boxing contests comprising a pro-am boxing event.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Norman, and seconded by Commissioner Malone, the Commission voted unanimously (4-0) to create a policy expanding the medical requirements pertaining to an ambulance crew and mandated by regulation for the professional boxing portion of a pro-am boxing event to include the amateur boxing

portion of a pro-am boxing event.

The Commission instructed Executive Director Pannella to inform boxing promoters who are licensed by the Commission of this policy.

REVIEW OF JUNE 3, 2017 PROFESSIONAL BOXING EVENT

Executive Director Pannella led a Commission review of the June 3, 2017 professional boxing event, which was promoted by King's Promotions, LLC and held at Rosecroft Raceway in Fort Washington, Maryland. Mr. Pannella noted that the boxing event included six professional boxing contests encompassing 40 rounds of competition.

REVIEW OF LINEUP FOR JUNE 17, 2017 PRO-AM BOXING EVENT

Executive Director Pannella led a Commission review of the professional boxing contests currently proposed for the June 17, 2017 pro-am boxing event being promoted by Shabazz Brotherz, LLC and held at the Clarence "Du" Burns Arena in Baltimore, Maryland. Mr. Pannella noted that Tyrieshia Douglas and Travis Reeves are scheduled to compete in respective professional boxing contests as the featured boxers for this boxing event.

ASSOCIATION OF COMBATIVE SPORTS COMMISSIONS (ACSC) YEAR 2017 CONFERENCE

Executive Director Pannella reported that he will be representing the Commission at the Year 2017 Conference of the Association of Combative Sports Commissions (ACSC) scheduled to be held on July 28, 2017 to August 2, 2017 at the Hilton Clearwater Beach Hotel in Clearwater Beach, Florida. Mr. Pannella noted that Commission Chief Physician Dr. John W. Stiller, M.D. is also planning to attend the ACSC conference.

SCHEDULED COMMISSION MEETINGS

The Commission held a discussion in regard to the scheduling of its next meeting. The Commission agreed to hold its next meeting on Wednesday, August 30, 2017

at a time to be determined in the Third Floor Conference Room, 500 North Calvert Street, in Baltimore, Maryland.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion by Commissioner Norman, and seconded by Commissioner Malone, the Commission voted unanimously (4-0) to adjourn the meeting at 3:13 p.m..

**Patrick Pannella
Executive Director**