

## South Dakota Athletic Commission

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South Dakota Athletic Commission Regular Meeting May 13, 2016 Via Teleconference

Commissioner Mike Kilmer, Chair, called the meeting to order at 11:05 am (central).

Present via telephone: Commissioners Kilmer, Lee Lohff, Richard Little, Margaret Gillespie and Verle Valentine and Amber Mulder, Legal Counsel, Department of Labor and Regulation, Jennifer Stalley, Executive Secretary and Bobby Wombacher.

After roll call, Chairman Kilmer declared a quorum.

Chairman Kilmer asked for comments from the public. No comments were offered.

Lohff moved to approve the January 29, 2016 Meeting Minutes. Little seconded. The Commission voted on the motion by roll call. Commissioners Kilmer, Lohff, Little, Gillespie voted Yea. Commissioner Valentine was absent. Motion carried.

Lohff moved to approve the financial report as of March 31, 2106. Little seconded. The Commission voted on the motion by roll call. Commissioners Kilmer, Lohff, Little, and Gillespie voted Yea. Commissioner Valentine was absent. Motion carried.

Stalley provided an overview of the statutory changes made by the Legislature and effective July 1, 2016. Stalley informed the Commission the mixed martial arts event on April 15, 2016 was a success. Stalley also updated the Commission on three USA Boxing events held in 2016 under USA Boxing's exemption from the Commission's regulations.

Lohff moved to approve the application of Knockout Events for a mixed martial arts event on June 10, 2016, in Huron, contingent on Knockout Events providing proof of a line of credit in the amount of at least \$20,000 and meeting all other requirements for a mixed martial arts event. Gillespie seconded. The Commission voted on the motion by roll call. Commissioners Kilmer, Lohff, Little, Gillespie and Valentine voted Yea. Motion carried.

Lohff moved to approve the application of Zuffa, LLC, dba Ultimate Fight Championship for a mixed martial arts event on July 13, 2016, in Sioux Falls, contingent on Zuffa, LLC meeting all requirements for a mixed martial arts event. Valentine seconded. The Commission voted on the motion by roll call. Commissioners Kilmer, Lohff, Little, Gillespie and Valentine voted Yea. Motion carried.

Lohff moved to approve the application of Alliance Media Group, LLC, for a mixed martial arts event on August 12 or 13, 2016 at a venue to be determined, contingent on Alliance Media Group confirming a date and location with the Commission no later than June 15, 2016, Alliance Media Group and the Commission agreeing to a process for providing a ticket inventory for the event, and Alliance Media Group meeting all other requirements for a mixed martial arts event. Little seconded. The Commission voted on the motion by roll call. Commissioners Kilmer, Lohff, Little, Gillespie and Valentine voted Yea. Motion carried.

Lohff moved to approve the application of Fury Fights, Inc., for a mixed martial arts event on October 22, 2016, in Watertown, contingent on Fury Fights providing proof of a line of credit in an amount of at least \$20,000 and meeting all other requirements for a mixed martial arts event. Little seconded. The Commission voted on the motion by roll call. Commissioners Kilmer, Lohff, Little, Gillespie and Valentine voted Yea. Motion carried.

Gillespie moved to approve the use of fight inspectors through a volunteer agreement and to have Chairman Kilmer approve fight inspectors as needed for the July 13, 2016 mixed martial arts event. Seconded by Valentine. The Commission voted on the motion by roll call. Commissioners Kilmer, Lohff, Little, Gillespie and Valentine voted Yea. Motion carried.

Gillespie moved to approve the renewal of the contract for executive services as proposed. Lohff seconded. The Commission voted on the motion by roll call. Commissioners Kilmer, Lohff, Little, Gillespie and Valentine voted Yea. Motion carried.

The Commission discussed issues related to promoters announcing events prior to formal Commission approval. The Commission will inform all promoters and potential venues of the requirement that an event be approved before it is promoted to the public.

Commissioner Kilmer reminded the Commission of the next Commission meeting on October 21, 2016 at 11:00 am in Pierre.

There being no other business before the Commission, Lohff moved to adjourn the meeting. Little seconded. The Commission voted on the motion by roll call. Commissioners Kilmer, Lohff, Little, Gillespie and Valentine voted Yea. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 12:20 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Commissioner Richard Little

Secretary