Meeting Minutes
SOUTH DAKOTA ATHLETIC COMMISSION
Via Teleconference
July 31, 2020 12:00 p.m. Central

Chairman Kilmer called the meeting to order at 12:04 pm. Stalley called the roll. A quorum was present.

Members Present via Telephone: Mike Kilmer, Lee Lohff, Margaret Gillespie, Richard Little and Verle Valentine

Members Absent: None

Others Present via Telephone: Jennifer Stalley, Executive Secretary; and Amber Mulder, Department of Labor Legal Counsel

Lohff made a motion to approve the agenda. Valentine seconded the motion. The Commission voted by roll call. Kilmer, Lohff, Little and Valentine voted aye. Gillespie was absent. MOTION PASSED.

Kilmer asked for any public comments. There were no comments offered.

Valentine made a motion to approve the minutes of July 10, 2020 with a grammatical correction. Little seconded the motion. The Commission voted by roll call. Kilmer, Little and Valentine voted aye. Gillespie and Lohff were absent. MOTION PASSED.

Stalley provided the Commission with an update on previously approved events. MMA 2020-02 (Sioux Falls), MMA 2020-06 (Sioux Falls), MMA 2020-07 (Sioux Falls) and MMA 2020-08 (Sioux Falls) all took place in accordance with the COVID-19 restrictions on the events. MMA 2020-03 (Huron), MMA 2020-04 (Flandreau) and MMA 2020-05 (Watertown) remain postponed indefinitely. BOX 2020-12 (Deadwood) has not been scheduled. BOX 2020-01 (Sturgis) submitted a request to withdraw its event approval and cancel the event.

Lohff moved to withdraw the approval of BOX 2020-01, as requested by the promoter. Gillespie seconded the motion. The Commission voted by roll call. Kilmer, Lohff, Gillespie, Little and Valentine voted aye. MOTION PASSED.

Lohff made a motion to approve event requests by Legacy Fighting Alliance for mixed martial arts events to be held on August 21, 2020, August 28, 2020 and September 4, 2020, in Sioux Falls, South Dakota on the condition the promoter follows the operations plan submitted with the applications for each event; the promoter follows the Centers for Disease Control’s guidance with regard to social distancing and athlete recovery in the event of a positive COVID-19 test for each event; COVID-19 testing for Commission officials and representatives is provided to the Commission at the promoter’s expense for each event; and the promoter complies with all the rules, regulations and deadlines of the Commission for each event. Valentine seconded the motion. Kilmer, Lohff, Gillespie, Little and Valentine voted aye. MOTION PASSED.

Lohff made a motion to begin the process to propose a change to South Dakota Administrative Rule 20:81:05:14 to repeal the list of mixed martial arts fouls to avoid conflicts with the unified rules of mixed martial arts. Little seconded the motion. Kilmer, Lohff, Gillespie, Little and Valentine voted aye. MOTION PASSED.
Lohff made a motion to set a Commission meeting for October 2, 2020 at 12:00 pm (central) and to hold the public hearing on proposed rule changes on that date and time. Gillespie seconded the motion. Kilmer, Lohff, Gillespie, Little and Valentine voted aye. **MOTION PASSED.**

There being no other business before the Commission, Kilmer adjourned the meeting at 12:34 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard Little, Secretary