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> September 8, 2015 Minutes

The District of Columbia Boxing and Wrestling held its scheduled meeting on Tuesday, September 8, 2015 at 1100 4<sup>th</sup> Street SW, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Conference Room E300, Washington, D.C. 20024.

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Timothy Thomas at 7:11pm EST and attendance was taken.

Commission Members Present: Timothy Thomas and Sean Ponder

Commission Members Absent: Bryan Irving

Staff Members Present: S. Skip Brown, Commission Administrator of the Occupational and Professional Licensing Division; Andrew Jackson, Commission Administrator of the Occupational and Professional Licensing Division; Clifford Cooks, Program Manager of the Occupational and Professional Licensing Division and Kia Winston, Legal Advisor to the Commission.

Staff Members Absent: None.





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### Agenda Item: Comments from the Public and Guest Introductions:

- 1. Chief Judge Tammy Jenkins addressed concerns about the lighting and timing of the ring arriving for the August 22<sup>nd</sup> event sponsored by Jeter Promotions. Program Manager Clifford Cooks recommended sending a letter to the promoter to address the ring situation. Commission Administrator S. Skip Brown followed up by mentioning that all point of contacts for venue and operations will be known prior to an event in the future.
- 2. Henry Jones addressed concerns over the security for the events being in place for events stating that he wants to make sure that security is facing the "crowd" and not watching "the fight".

### **Agenda Item: Minutes:**

 Upon a motion duly made by Commissioner Thomas and properly seconded by Commissioner Ponder, the Commission unanimously voted to approve the minutes.





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#### **Agenda Item: Upcoming Events:**

Commissioner Thomas announced the following upcoming events:

- September 12, 2015 The 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Dr. Arnold W. McKnight Amateur Boxing/Kickboxing Invitational & MMA Exhibition Event – Deanwood Recreation Center: 1350 49<sup>th</sup> St. NE, Washington, D.C. 20019
- 2. October 22, 2015 Pro-Boxing Event: Ollie Dunlap Mini Fight Night at the Mayflower Hotel: 1127 Connecticut Ave NW, Washington, D.C. 20036.
- 3. November 5, 2015 Pro-Boxing Event: Ollie Dunlap Fight for Children Fight Night at the Washington Hilton Hotel: 1919 Connecticut Ave NW, Washington, D.C. 20009

#### **Agenda Item: Old Business:**

Commission Administrator S. Skip Brown announced the following item:

- 1. ABC Conference in San Diego, CA held July 25<sup>th</sup> 29<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Brown stated that the conference was very informative and the training sessions were very beneficial. One of the highlighted training sessions was the refereeing of MMA events that was recognized by Mr. Brown.
- 2. Parking and Dress Code. Mr. Brown stated that the Commission is looking to have a uniform dress code for all weigh-ins. Dress code will consist of Short Sleeve Boxing Commission Sky Blue Polo Shirt and Black Slacks. Per Mr. Brown, all Officials will be notified well in advance if parking is available for upcoming events. If working officials are not notified of parking in advance parking will be on the street wherever the official can locate it within the location of the venue.





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#### **Agenda Item: New Business:**

- 1. Official Mark D'Attilio announced that Officials Insurance is available through the National Association of Sports Officials. Insurance is priced at \$100 per year.
- 2. Ricky Womack announced that Keystone is having an amateur event to be held on September 19<sup>th</sup>. Also Mr. Womack stated that 14 D.C. youth will be boxing in the Olympic Qualifier.
- 3. Official Leonard Hudson and Official Wendy Richardson requested consideration of a "pay raise" for Officials. Mr. Hudson would like to see a pay increase across the board for all Officials. Mr. Cooks response to Mr. Hudson is that the Commission will look at other states pay scale such as Virginia and Maryland and will look to possibly adjust pay scale if DC falls below the average threshold in its pay for officials.

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### Agenda Item: Adjournment:

Upon a motion made by Mr. Thomas and seconded by Mr. Ponder, the Commission meeting was adjourned at 8:02pm EST.

Respectfully submitted,

Bryan Irving, Chairperson

Date

Recorder: Andrew L. Jackson, III
Commission Administrator

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