



DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
**Boxing and Wrestling Commission**

**October 27, 2016  
Minutes**

The District of Columbia Boxing and Wrestling Commission held its scheduled meeting on Thursday, October 27, 2016 at 1100 4<sup>th</sup> Street SW, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room # E200, Washington, D.C. 20024.

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The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Adam Weers at 6:39pm EST and attendance was taken.

Commission Members Present: **Adam Weers, Andrew Huff, and Kim Lockett**

Commission Members Absent: **none**

Staff Members Present: **Andrew Jackson, Commission Administrator; Kia Winston, Legal Advisor** to the Commission; **S. Skip Brown, Deputy Commissioner**

Staff Members Absent: **Clifford Cooks, Program Manager** of the Occupational and Professional Licensing Division

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

1. Luke Runion provided several comments about the direction of the DC Boxing and Wrestling Commission. Mr. Runion praised the Commission about its leadership. Official Runion also addressed some concerns about the Commission in reference to getting paid after an event in a timely fashion as well as providing better training for the Commission Officials.
2. Mark "2 Sharp" Johnson informed the Commission that his gym was burglarized recently and much of the boxing equipment had been stolen. Mr. Johnson generously asked the Commission to make a contribution towards new equipment. Commission Chair Adam Weers stated that the Commission would look into the matter.
3. Henry Jones announced that the Anti-Bullying film in which he has been working on has been officially launched. Mr. Jones thanked the Commission for their support.

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4. Official Herbert Ruffin urged that the Commission implement efforts in getting more support from local DC fighters to help garner attention.
5. Chief Judge Tammye Jenkins provided support to the Commission and recognized the hard work and efforts by the Commission in making processes more efficient.

**Agenda Item: Minutes and Recommendations:**

- Upon a motion duly made by Commissioner Huff and properly seconded by Commissioner Lockett, the Commission unanimously voted to approve the **September 15, 2016** minutes.

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**Agenda Item: Budget:**

No Budget items were discussed at this meeting.

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**Agenda Item: Correspondence:**

1. The DC Boxing Hall of Fame 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Awards and Induction Banquet will be held on **Friday, November 11, 2016 at 8pm**. This year's award ceremony will include the Hall of Fame Induction of two of the DC Boxing and Wrestling Commission's own **Alfred Grant** and **Dr. Arnold McKnight**.
2. Commissioner Kim Lockett received a letter from the Potomac Valley Association requesting contribution to awards for honoring USA Boxers. The Commission will look into funding for future events.



**Agenda Item: Old Business:**

1. **Josef Pearson AM Muay Thai Event** was held on **Saturday September 17<sup>th</sup> at THEARC**. Commission Chair Adam Weers was in attendance and stated the event was very well put together and a great success.
2. **DC Fight Night** was held on **Friday September 30<sup>th</sup> at the Sphinx Club**. The Commission unanimously expressed concerns over the event. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Andrew Huff and properly seconded by Commissioner Kimberly Lockett, the Commission unanimously voted to send a letter to the Matchmaker Julius Gatling providing feedback from the event as well as expectations for future bouts to be made going forward.
3. **Alarm.Com Mini Fight Night** was held on **Thursday October 20<sup>th</sup> at the Mayflower Hotel**. The Commission all agreed that the event was excellent, provided competitive bouts and had a great turnout.
4. Commissioner Weers provided an update on the Lucian Bute matter. The Commission has received a settlement offer from Mr. Bute's representatives of a 6 month suspension and \$50,000 fine.

**Agenda Item: New Business:**

1. Upcoming Events
  - i. Fight Night on **Thursday November 10, 2016** at the Washington Hilton Hotel 1919 Connecticut Avenue, Washington, DC 20009
  - ii. Josef Pearson Amateur Muay Thai Event on **Saturday, December 3, 2016** at the Boys and Girls Club at THEARC
  - iii. World Wrestling Entertainment (WWE) Tribute for the Troops Event on **Tuesday, December 13, 2016** at the Verizon Center
2. Upcoming Amateur Events
  - i. Potomac Valley Association Annual Awards **Friday November 4, 2016**
  - ii. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Boxing Show in Memory of John F. Sneed, Jr. presented by Jonathan Ogden on **Saturday November 5, 2016**
  - iii. Beltway Turnpike Battle on **Saturday November 19, 2016**

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3. Commissioner Kim Lockett announced that the DC Boxing and Wrestling Commission Holiday Party will be held on Thursday December 15<sup>th</sup>.

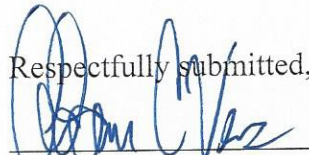
Next meeting scheduled for *Thursday November 17, 2016* at 6:30pm.

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**Agenda Item: Adjournment:**

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Kimberly Lockett and seconded by Commissioner Andrew Huff, the Commission meeting was adjourned at 9:02pm EST.

Respectfully submitted,



Adam Weers, Chairperson

11.17.16  
Date

*Recorder: Andrew L. Jackson, III*  
*Commission Administrator*

*Minutes prepared by Andrew L. Jackson, III*