

PETE SUAZO UTAH ATHELETIC COMMISSION (PSUAC)

Friday March 30th, 2018

Attending Commissioners: Taylor Leavitt (Commission Chair), Commissioner Kevin Daniels and Assistant Attorney General Mike Green were in attendance with Commissioner Leslie Reberg, Commissioner Troy Walker via teleconference. Director Scott Bowler facilitated the call from the Canyonlands Conference Room #341. Also in attendance; Contestant Anthony Pagliaro, and Contestant Daniel Grass.

Commission Chairman Leavitt called the meeting to order at 12:09pm at the Governor's Office of Economic Development in the "Canyonlands Conference Room."

Sign Per Diem Sheet

Director Bowler signed for Commissioners Leslie Reberg, and Troy Walker as they attended via teleconference.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Troy Walker made a motion to approve the minutes of Commission Meeting from March 30, 2018 as written. Commissioner Leslie Reberg seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously, without opposition.

Contestant Anthony Pagliaro would like to petition the Commission to reinstate his license:

Director Bowler reminded the board that In May of 2017 he received a License Physical form from Contestant Anthony Pagliaro. Upon closer examination it appeared that the date of page #2 (which is signed by the Doctor) had been altered. Director Bowler then pulled up the previous License Physical form submitted by Mr. Pagliaro and it appeared to match, as did the previous License Physical form to that. Mr. Pagliaro submitted the original License Physical form in 2014, then again in 2015, and this attempt was 2017. The Board ruled that Mr. Pagliaro would be suspended from competition for a term on 1 year from the date of receiving this form effective 5-5-2017. HE would also be asked to come before the Board to review the case prior to being granted and license once again in Utah.

Commission Chairman Taylor Leavitt then asked Mr. Pagliaro to comment on the incident. Mr. Pagliaro acknowledged that he did knowingly submit the altered document in 2015 but his "Ex-Girlfriend" submitted the document for 2017. At this point A. A.G. Mike Green informed Mr. Pagliaro of his right to remain silent as to not incriminate himself further by discussing the violation of Utah state law. Mr. Pagliaro continued by stating he has the original License Physical that was completed for the 2017 Licensure but she (The ex-girlfriend) submitted the wrong form. At the request of Commission Chairman Leavitt Mr. Pagliaro stated that he would send the forms to Director Bowler to prove that he had a new License Physical completed at the time the false documents were submitted.

Chairman Leavitt also asked A. A. G. Mike Green to assay the criminal charges that are either pending or that are have been filed against Mr. Pagliaro which may preclude him from obtaining the renewal of his Contestant License.

Commissioner Troy Walker made a motion to deny the reinstatement of Mr. Pagliaro's License pending further legal review and to continue the matter pending receipt of evidence. Kevin Daniels seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Contestant Daniel Grass would like to discuss the fouls received during his 2-24-18 contest:

Director Bowler opened the discussion by explaining the situation that occurred on 2-24-18 at the Steelfist Fight Night event. During the contest Daniel Grass was on all fours and received a number of blows to the back of the head and neck area by Contestant Trever Bradshaw. (which are deemed fouls under the Unified Rules of Unarmed Combat) Referee Tyler Tomlinson called a “timeout” to the contest, stood both fighters up and sent Mr. Grass to a neutral corner. Tomlinson then proceeded to Mr. Bradshaw’s corner and explained that the blows were indeed a foul, at which point he went to each of the Judges to direct them to deduct a point from Mr. Bradshaw for the infraction.

Referee Tomlinson then restarted the contest with both fighters on their feet from their neutral corners. Sometime after the restart Tomlinson was forced to call a halt to the contest declaring Mr. Bradshaw the winner by TKO – Strikes.

Mr. Grass contends that the Ringside Physician Dr. Ali Solari M.D. should have been directed to check him out by the Referee (Tomlinson) before the contest was restarted and he fears the safety of the fighters in Utah. Although, point were taken away from Mr. Bradshaw, Referee Tomlinson did not feel the blows were severe enough to warrant calling in the Doctor. Current protocol affords the referee the discretion as to the use of the Doctor depending on severity of the blows.

Mr. Grass asked the Commission to consider making it a mandatory protocol for the referee to “Check on the fighter if they receive any blows to the spinal area, take time to ask the fouled fighter if he would like to continue.”

Commissioner Leslie Reberg made a motion to instruct Director Scott Bowler revise the Fight Night Protocol to instruct the all referee has to take the time to assess any fighter that Troy Walker seconded the motion the motion passed unanimously.

Director Bowler also made a comment that Mr. Grass may request in the future that Referee Tyler Tomlinson not be assigned to any contest in which he will compete.

Director Bowler to discuss Contestant Caleb Caldwell’s return to Pro Boxing after 8 straight losses:

Director Bowler presented the information related by Manager/Trainer Leroy Caldwell that his Boxer Caleb Caldwell would like to know the standards required for reinstatement of his License. After suffering eight (8) straight losses (5 of which by KO or TKO). As determined by the Commission that if Mr. Caldwell would like consideration for return to Active Licensure he would need to submit a formal request to be heard before the Board, and show proof of activity to increase his skill set, and submit a proposed opponent that could be reviewed and voted upon.

Discussion regarding attendance of the 2018 ABC Conference Aug. 27 – Aug. 1st:

Commissioner Leslie Reberg related that she will not be able to attend and Commissioner Troy Walker would like to attend both the training portion on the 27th & 28th as well as the conference. Director Bowler will work out the hotel reservations due to the host venue “sell out” on the first 2 nights.

Review of Upcoming Events:

May 2018

Saturday – May 12, 2018 @7:00 PM, **Fortitude Fights**, The Beach @ Sand Hollow, 3351 S Sand Hollow Rd, Hurricane, UT 84737 – Fortitude Fights– MMA Event. **CANCELLED**

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Friday – May 18, 2018 @7:00 PM, **SteelFist Fight Night 58**, **The Union Event Center**, 235 N 500 W, Salt Lake City, UT 84116 – **SteelFist** – MMA Event.

June 2018

Friday- June 1st, 2018 @ 8:00 PM, **FKF Productions**, The Complex, 536 W. 100 South, Salt Lake City, UT 84116 – FKF Productions – Boxing Event.

Saturday – June 2, 2018 @7:00 PM, **Mountain Force MMA**, **Golden Spike Event Center**, 1000 N 1200 W, Ogden UT 84404 – Mountain Force MMA – Pro/Am MMA Event.

Friday – June 29, 2018 @7:00 PM, **SteelFist Fight Night 59**, **The Union Event Center**, 235 N 500 W, Salt Lake City, UT 84116 – **SteelFist** – MMA Event.

July 2018

Saturday – July 14, 2018 @6:00 PM, **FIERCE FC**, Carbon County Event Center, 310 S. Fairgrounds Rd. , Price UT 84501 – Fierce Fighting Championships – Pro/Am MMA Event.

July 27 – August 1st NO EVENTS TO BE SCHEDULED – ABC -Association of Boxing Commission Annual Conference.

August 2018

Friday – August 3, 2018 @7:00 PM, **SteelFist Fight Night 60**, **The Union Event Center**, 235 N 500 W, Salt Lake City, UT 84116 – **SteelFist** – MMA Event.

Friday- August 10th, 2018 @ 7:00 PM, **Jeremy Horn’s Elite Fight Night**, **Weber County Fairgrounds Golden Spike Event Center** 1200 Bill Bailey Blvd, Ogden, UT 84404 –**EliteFightNight** – Pro/Am MMA

October 2018

Friday – October 12, 2018 @7:00 PM, **SteelFist Fight Night 61**, **The Union Event Center**, 235 N 500 W, Salt Lake City, UT 84116 – **SteelFist** – MMA Event.

November 2018

Friday – November 16, 2018 @7:00 PM, **SteelFist Fight Night 62**, **The Union Event Center**, 235 N 500 W, Salt Lake City, UT 84116 – **SteelFist** – MMA Event.

Friday – April 13, 2018 @7:00 PM, **SteelFist Fight Night 57**, The Rail Event Center, 235 N 500 W, Salt Lake City, UT 84116 – **SteelFist** – MMA Event.

Directors Report:

Director Bowler provided the Commission with information regarding the hiring process for an Administrative Assistant Tracy Pattillo who on April 9th 2018.

- 1) The new website has been developed and is to be made active in the next weeks
- 2) The February Financial report was sent out to the members not in attendance.
- 3) The Board approved the development a State Title Holder page on the website.

SwissTime has developed an electronic Judges scoring system that Director Bowler wanted to bring to the attention of the Commission. The local USA Boxing organization has purchased a system. To be discussed at a future event after observing the use by the local USA Boxing group.

Public Comments:

No Comments made.

Schedule Next meeting:

The next meeting scheduled for April 27, 2018 at 12noon at the PSUAC/GOED Office.

Adjourn:

*Commissioner Leslie Reberg made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Troy Walker seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously without opposition. **Meeting Adjourned. 1:21 PM***