

PETE SUAZO UTAH ATHELETIC COMMISSION (PSUAC)

Friday May 17th, 2019

Attending Commissioners: Commissioners Taylor Leavitt (Commission Chair), Commissioner Bruce Baird, with Director Scott Bowler in attendance, Commissioner Leslie Reberg, joined via teleconference. Director Scott Bowler facilitated the call from the Bryce Canyon Conference Room #369. Also joining; Contestant Zac Cavender. Commissioner Troy Walker joined the meeting at 12:29.

Commission Chairman Leavitt called the meeting to order at 12:10pm at the Governor's Office of Economic Development in the "Bryce Canyon Conference Room."

Sign Per Diem Sheet

Director Bowler informed the Commissioners that attended via teleconference, that Tracy Pattillo would email the Per Diem forms to be signed and returned.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Bruce Baird made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from 04-19-2019, Leslie Reberg seconded the motion. Taylor Leavitt also voted to approve the motion. The motion passed unanimously without opposition.

Contestant Zac Cavender requests a review of the fight ending sequence from 05-10-19 bout:

Director Bowler explained to the Commission members on May 10, 2019 at the LFA event in West Valley City, Zac Cavender fought Kenneth Seegrist and contestant Cavender felt that the fight ending sequence was not handled fairly and that the referee Tyler Tomlinson stopped the fight prematurely.

Contestant Zac Cavender explained to the board that he was hit and dropped but was not knocked out. He went on to explain that he felt that he was not given the proper allowance of time to recover that is usually afforded to anyone competing in the professional division. Director Bowler played the video footage of the fight ending sequence, and Contestant Cavender explained that as he hit the ground he began to swivel around to grab his opponent, and this action alone should warrant allowing the contest to continue. Contestant Cavender also stated that it was not a matter of "just a simple win or loss, it was what was right, and that it greatly impacts his career". He only ask that the bout be ruled a, "No Contest" since the referee had made a judgement call that he later admitted (to Cavender) was not correct.

Commissioner Bruce Baird wanted to hear from Referee Tomlinson but unfortunately, he was "On Duty" as a police officer at the time of the meeting.

Commissioner Bruce Baird made a motion to table the matter until the Board could hear from the referee Tyler Tomlinson at a later meeting. Commissioner Troy Walker seconded the motion, Commission Chair Taylor Leavitt and Leslie Reberg voted to approve the motion. The motion passed unanimously without opposition.

Review of Upcoming Events:

May 2019

Friday – May 31, 2019 @7:00 PM, **SteelFist Fight Night 67**, Union Event Center, 235 N 500 W, Salt Lake City, UT 84116 – SteelFist – MMA Event.

June 2019

Friday- June 7, 2019 @ 7:00PM, **FKF Productions** Muay Thai/Boxing 801 Event Center 1055 W. North Temple, Salt Lake City UT 84116 – Muay Thai/Boxing Event

Saturday – June 15, 2019 @7:00 PM **FKF Productions**, Wendover Nugget Casino 101 W. Wendover Blvd West Wendover, NV 89883 – Boxing/MMA Event

Friday – June 28, 2019 @7:00 PM, **SteelFist Fight Night 68**, Union Event Center, 235 N 500 W, Salt Lake City, UT 84116 – SteelFist – MMA Event.

July 2019

ANNUAL ABC CONFERENCE Scottsdale, Arizona July 26 – 31st. NO EVENTS TO BE SCHEDULED

August 2019

Friday – August 9, 2019 @7:00 PM, **SteelFist Fight Night 69**, Union Event Center, 235 N 500 W, Salt Lake City, UT 84116 – SteelFist – MMA Event.

October 2019

Saturday – October 19, 2019 @7:00 PM, **SteelFist Fight Night 70**, Union Event Center, 235 N 500 W, Salt Lake City, UT 84116 – SteelFist – MMA Event.

November 2019

Friday – November 22, 2019 @7:00 PM, **SteelFist Fight Night 71**, Union 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 Financial Report which reflects a positive environment. We are currently within the budget forecast parameters.

The Online Licensing program remain on hold as the DOPL DTS staff is still short handed to complete the system programming.

Public Comments:

none

Schedule Next meeting:

It was agreed to set a tentative schedule of the 3rd Friday of every month we will have a Commission Meeting. The next meeting scheduled for June 21, 2019 at 12noon at the PSUAC/GOED Office. Canyonlands Conference room #341

Adjourn:

Commissioner Bruce Baird made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Leslie Reberg seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously without opposition at 12:41pm.