**MARYLAND STATE ATHLETIC COMMISSION**

**MINUTES - WEDNESDAY, April 16, 2025**

On Wednesday, March 16, 2025, the Maryland State Athletic Commission meeting was called to order by Chairman David Norman at 3:02 p.m. Present were the following: Chairman David Norman, Commissioner Dr. Kristi Hall, Commissioner Brian Boles, Commissioner Carl Wilson, Sarah McDermott, Assistant Commissioner for O&P, Eric London, Assistant Attorney General and Counsel, Matthew McKinney, Director of Strategic Initiatives, Olga Escobar, Administrative Officer, Jason Curtis, Administrative Assistant, and Executive Director Johnston Brown. Commissioner James “Binky” Jones was absent. This was a virtual meeting with Commission members, Commission staff, and the public using the Google Meets platform.

**APPROVAL OF COMMISSION MINUTES**

Minutes were discussed from the March 19, 2025 meeting. Commissioner Wilson made a motion to approve the minutes and seconded by Commissioner Boles. The minutes were unanimously approved.

**CHAIRMAN’S REPORT**

Chairman Dave Norman discussed the recent No Xcuse Boxing event that took place on April 12, 2025 at Maryland Live! He stated the event was very successful with many excellent bouts.

Chairman Norman also stated that at the next Commission meeting, he hopes to hear from the Commission’s physicians in regard to approving bouts in the future.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT**

Executive Director Johnston Brown had not report.

**REVIEW OF COMMISSION SANCTIONED EVENTS**

Executive Director Johnston Brown advised the Commission about the Boxing and Wrestling events of the previous month. Those events included the following:

ACW Wrestling, March 21st, Hagerstown

ACW Wrestling, March 28th, Pasadena

EWA Wrestling, March 22nd, Bel Air

Flying V Wrestling, March 22nd, Silver Spring

MCW Wrestling, March 22nd, Hollywood

MCW Wrestling, March 23rd, Baltimore

Midget Wrestling Warriors, March 28th, Timonium

AWA Wrestling, March 29th, Waldorf

Shogun Fights 30 MMA, March 29th, Maryland Live!

Micro Wrestling All-Stars, April 4th, Leonardtown

Micro Wrestling All-Stars, April 5th, Baltimore

Micro Wrestling All-Stars, April 11th, Leonardtown

MWF Wrestling, April 4th, Perryville

MWF Wrestling, April 9th, Easton

MWF Wrestling, April 10th, Glen Burnie

MWF Wrestling, April 11th, Baltimore,

MWF Wrestling, April 12th, Stevensville

FWA Wrestling, April 6th, Havre de Grace

AEW Wrestling, April 9th, UMBC

No Xcuse Promotions Boxing, April 12th, Maryland Live!

Sharpshooter Promotions Boxing, April 26th, Bowie

Jeter Promotions Boxing, May 10th, Rosecroft

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

Executive Director Johnston Brown led the Commission in a discussion of upcoming events, which included the following:

Voltage Wrestling, April 18th, Boonsboro

AWA Wrestling, April 26th, Waldorf

MCW Wrestling, April 26th, Joppa

MCW Wrestling, May 17th, Joppa

ACW Wrestling, April 27th, Glen Burnie

ACW Wrestling, May 16th, Baltimore

FWA Wrestling, May 4th, Havre de Grace

C3W Wrestling, May 18th, Hollywood

A motion to approve the upcoming Voltage Wrestling event on April 18th was made by Commissioner Wilson and seconded by Commissioner Boles. The motion was unanimously approved by the Commission.

A motion to approve the upcoming AWA Wrestling event on April 26th was made by Commissioner Wilson and seconded by Commissioner Boles. The motion was unanimously approved by the Commission.

A motion to approve the upcoming MCW events on April 26th and May 17th was made by Commissioner Boles and seconded by Commissioner Wilson. The motion was unanimously approved by the Commission.

A motion to approve the upcoming ACW Wrestling events on April 27th and May 16th was made by Commissioner Boles and seconded by Commissioner Wilson. The motion was unanimously approved by the Commission.

A motion to approve the upcoming FWA Wrestling event on May 4th was made by Commissioner Boles and seconded by Commissioner Wilson. The motion was unanimously approved by the Commission.

A motion to approve the upcoming C3W Wrestling event on May 18th was made by Commissioner Wilson and seconded by Commissioner Boles. The motion was unanimously approved by the Commission.

**NEW BUSINESS**

There was no New Business discussed.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Boxing promoter Lamont Roach Sr. discussed bout approval inconsistencies in Maryland. He stated that bouts that have not been approved by the Commission have been approved by other jurisdictions. He asked the Commission to review their policies for approving bouts to allow for better matchmaking and better events in Maryland.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Dave Norman called for a motion for adjournment at roughly 3:28pm that was made by Commissioner Wilson and seconded by Commissioner Boles, the Commission unanimously approved the motion.

/s/David Norman

Chairman