



**LBC Presidents Call Meeting
Notes Thursday, February
18, 2021**

Call commenced at 3:04 pm Mountain Time.

LBCs represented on the call: Adirondack, Central California, Colorado, Florida, Gulf, Hawaii, Illinois, Inland Northwest, Lake Erie, Middle Atlantic, Minnesota, Nebraska, Nevada, New Jersey, Ohio, Oregon, Ozark, Potomac Valley, South Texas, Southern California, Utah, Virginia, West Virginia, Wisconsin, and Wyoming.

Staff present: Mike McAtee, Mike Campbell, Lynette Smith, and Ethan Figge.

Welcome: Mike McAtee, Executive Director welcomed everyone to the call.

High Performance: McAtee provided an update on the High-Performance squad who departed Colorado Springs and are on their way to Bulgaria. After that they will be in a 43 day long Olympic Qualifying camp in Chula Vista, CA. From there they will go to Argentina for the Americas Qualifier.

National Championships: Mike Campbell, Events & Boxing Operations Manager thanked all the LBC leaders for communicating with their local coaches and boxers about renewing their membership. Over 75% of everyone in the tournament has renewed their USA Boxing membership; 95% has uploaded their photos; 75% has birth certificates and citizenship verified; and approximately 40% has their physicals uploaded. We have a total of 650 boxers who have everything completely done. This will expedite the check in process as well as cut down on possible Covid exposure. The next big push will be getting the coaches renewed. Our biggest concern is that background screenings are taking quite a bit longer due to Covid. Plus, a lot need to renew their Safe Sport trainings or coaches' certifications, which won't be allowed at check-in. The whole process could take a few weeks, so it is best to start right away. We published a coaches list earlier this week which displays their status. The last thing we want is a coach to register and not get a credential and therefore not be allowed in the venue. March 15 will be a hard deadline for renewal.

National Championship Covid Testing Requirements: All non-athletes, coaches, officials, staff, local volunteers, youth, and elite boxers must produce a negative PCR Covid test upon arrival taken no more than 72 hours before travel. We highly recommend taking a test on March 1st to know the status of your team. Someone may be asymptomatic or had Covid and didn't know. This way they can complete their required 10-day quarantine process as recommended by the CDC before traveling. There is free testing provided in every state and there is a link on the USA Boxing website to guide you to find free testing in your area. Refer to the Nationals tab on the website for updated Covid testing requirements.



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- **Jeanne DePriest (Colorado)** asked if there was a religious exemption for taking a Covid test and if tests are going to be requirement of local shows too. McAtee answered there will not be a religious exemption or other personal exemptions from getting tested at the National Championships. Everyone will be required to follow the testing policy. USA Boxing is requiring negative Covid tests to participate in this event. A negative a Covid test will not be required for local shows. The difference is that this is a national tournament with people coming from all 50 states.
- **Ernesto Flores (Utah)** asked if there will be testing provided at the tournament. McAtee answered yes; however, tests will not be free, and the costs will be incurred by the boxer or coach who needs to provide a negative test. The cost will be around \$100-\$150.
- **Alisha Daniels (Virginia)** asked if the people who have taken one or both shots of the vaccine still need to provide a Covid test. McAtee responded that according to the CDC, the vaccine is to protect that person and does not stop them from spreading the virus to others. So those who have taken the vaccine will still need to provide a negative Covid test.
- **Angel Villarreal (Wisconsin)** stated that he is getting a lot of questions about where to get the 72-hour test as a lot of the sites are saying 5-7 days to turn a test around. McAtee responded that we have found that local testing sites say 5-7 days, but they are turning them around within 48 hours. As long as someone can provide proof that they actually took a test, we might be able to get them rapid tested.

LBC Board Membership Renewal: Lynette Smith, Membership Director thanked the LBC leaders for getting the majority of LBC board of directors to renew their membership. There are only 12 LBC board leaders that will be receiving letters that says they are removed from the board for not being a current USA Boxing member in good standing.

- **Frank Aleman (Central California)** asked if these people can be reappointed back to the board with a simple vote of the remaining board of directors or if a vote of board of governors is needed. Smith answered that as long as they renew, the board of directors may vote them back into their position.

Coaches and Gym Owner Membership Renewal: McAtee stated that we are sending some notifications out to coaches and gym owners that are waiting to renew their membership. This notification will say that in order to have sparring covered by USA Boxing insurance, the club and coach must be members in good standing.

Angel Villarreal (Wisconsin) reported that the R/J refresher course is still available.

Closing: McAtee thanked everyone for their time and reminded them to look at the updated Back to Boxing Guide. And if your state still isn't open for boxing, we are working on a document to be sent out to state athletic commissions supporting the mental health of youth sports and statistics from the events that we have held.



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Meeting ended at 4:11 pm.



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