



**LBC Presidents' Call Meeting Notes**  
**Thursday, July 23, 2020**

Call commenced at 3:03 pm Mountain Time.

LBCs represented on the call: Allegheny Mountain, Colorado, Georgia, Illinois, Lake Erie, Minnesota, Nevada, New Jersey, Oregon, Southwestern, South Texas, USIBA, Utah, West Virginia, and Wisconsin.

Staff: Mike McAtee, Lynette Smith, Stacy Arredondo, & Ethan Figge.

**Welcome:** Mike McAtee, Executive Director welcomed the presidents to the call. He stated that things are changing, and it seems that we take steps forward and then back. He reported that 580 members have re-joined this month. He feels that people are starting to see the light at the end of the tunnel.

**Giving Games:** USA Boxing is participating with 30+ other NGB sports in a national fundraising campaign. These funds will help the Olympic Qualification Team and be used for a fund to create grants for gyms #saveourgyms. The Coaches Commission is setting up the criteria for the grants and we are reaching out to the Foundation for additional funding. Please help spread the word and raise awareness for the Olympic movement. Forward the information to your email and social media contacts and to people who you know professionally.

**Test Events: Tom Lindsey (South Texas)** stated that their test events have moved around. McAtee asked **Jeanne DePriest (Colorado)** if they were still good for July 25, which they are. The Colorado LBC did separate walk-throughs for officials and coaches. McAtee is planning on attending the Colorado test event.

**Sanction Rescheduling:** Some LBCs have opened up and others have re-closed. Please continue to follow your state and local rules. Currently we have 25 sanction refund requests. The Board of Directors are scheduled to meet on Wednesday. If they decide to do refunds, it will affect the LBC financially as well. Re-scheduling is encouraged, LBCs can purchase the sanctions to use later, or boxing equipment can be purchased in exchange for sanction fees. We are looking at \$79,000 impact from refunds. Discounts for next year's membership fees versus refunds are recommended.

**Revisions to LBC Bylaws:** Membership staff have been working on changes to the LBC bylaws, a focus group from LBC leaders has reviewed them and now they are being looked at by the attorney. We hope to send to LBC Presidents after that for a 10-day comment period then be voted on by the Board of Directors in September.

**Lynette Smith, Membership Director** reported that one of our new membership staff, Andrew Banuet speaks Spanish fluently. If anyone in your LBC needs assistance in Spanish, have them call the membership line or Andrew directly at 719-866-2355. Lynette also reported that things are speeding up and the phones are ringing.



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**Ethan Figge, Membership Coordinator** reported that New Jersey is starting to open up, but Texas, Florida, Arizona and California are definitely moving back. He also reported that a document from the White House stated that if there are more than 10% positive tests, then the state is considered red. Some gyms are closing down.

**Jackie Atkins (New Jersey)** updated that contact sports are allowed to train outdoors in New Jersey but the gyms are still closed. She has received many calls from gym owners so McAtee will meet with her tomorrow. McAtee also let other LBCs know if they have individual questions to let us know and we can set individual meetings.

**Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)** – Taryn Cass sent out the “last call” for the order, so send in your order today if you want to be included in this bulk purchase.

**New Website** conversion has been completed. If you find a dead link, please let Brian Taylor, Communications Manager know at [Btaylor@usaboxing.org](mailto:Btaylor@usaboxing.org) or at [membership@usaboxing.org](mailto:membership@usaboxing.org)

**Angel Villareal (R/J Chairperson)** stated that official clinics are being conducted at test events so encourage your officials to participate. Be sure the COO is informed.

**Parent’s Guide:** staff have been working on a handbook for parents. Injury data is being included, which compares boxing’s injuries to soccer, football etc. Parents will learn that boxing is safer.

**2020 Gym Posters** The 2020 club member posters were sent out. Please let membership know if not received by end of next week.

**Jose Banales (Nevada)** asked what if USA Boxing and the governor don’t coincide. McAtee said he will talk off-line with Jose after he meets with the Nevada State Athletic Commission.

**Shaun Tallon (Illinois)** said he’s hoping to have a test event in September, but Illinois is shutting down. He asked who he should talk to about this. Ethan Figge in membership is handling all the test event scheduling as well as sanction re-scheduling and will send Shaun a form and answer any questions. Shaun also asked what happens if they don’t have enough officials volunteer. Please check with the national office or neighboring LBCs.

**Tony Sensoli (USIBA)** reported that college things are up in the air. Stacy is setting up a call with USIBA and NCBA in the upcoming weeks, so let her know your availability.

**Closing:** Thank you for everything! Please be nimble and flexible; now is a good time for members with questionable backgrounds to get screened; and please make sure you engage with your members about Giving Games.

Meeting ended at 3:40 pm.



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