



**LBC Presidents' Call Meeting Notes**  
**Thursday, August 6, 2020**

Call commenced at 3:03 pm Mountain Time.

LBCs represented on the call: Adirondack, Allegheny Mountain, Arkansas, Central California, Colorado, Georgia, Gulf, Hawaii, Illinois, Lake Erie, Metro, Minnesota, Mid-Atlantic, Nevada, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Oregon, Ozark, Southeastern, Southwestern, South Texas, Utah, USIBA, and West Virginia.

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

**Welcome:** Mike McAtee, Executive Director welcomed the presidents to the call and let them know he was heading to Kansas so pulled over and was attending the meeting in his car. McAtee had meetings with a few LBCs this week. Staff is going to update the #backtoboxing list with more specific information based on the LBCs, since stages seem to keep moving back and forth. He reminded to tell everyone to follow state and local rules.

**Sugar Bert Tournament:** The list of which LBCs can participate in the Sugar Bert Tournament was created with doctors' advice, the hosting LBC and following our three #backtoboxing principles (for the health and safety of the boxers, coaches and officials; for the health and safety of staff and administration; and to be good citizens in helping stop the pandemic). National office staff are going to try to help at the event.

**Re-scheduling Sanctions:** Please let Ethan know the dates you'd like a sanction re-scheduled; it's okay if the dates end up changing. Also, LBCs can have more than one test event.

**Lynette Smith, Membership Director** reported that 32 sanctions requested refunds and they have been processed. (Three are receiving checks since there was issues with their credit cards.)

**Ethan Figge, Membership Coordinator** expanded that in addition to the 32 refunded sanctions, 26 sanctions have been rescheduled, 35 are waiting on a date, 3 exchanged the credit for boxing equipment, and 7 sanctions were purchased by the LBCs at a later date.

**High Performance Update:** we are still working with the USOPC to get onto the Olympic Training Center for training camps.

**Nebraska Buffalo Bill event** was a success with 105 participants. There really wasn't a problem with everyone wearing masks. One thing that was learned was to set up chairs in groupings (i.e. so families may sit together).

**Larry Bright (Southeastern):** asked for procedures on how to recover after positive COVID exposure. McAtee said that staff will work on the procedures. McAtee expanded that staff is already updating protocols to include



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grouping like boxers (for instance specific times by age group) to limit exposure; kind of like what the schools are doing with classroom pods. We are working on this with Olympic Qualifying Team to limit exposure.

**Anthony Livingston (Ozark)** asked if two test events are needed. McAtee answered LBCs must have a minimum of one but can have more. McAtee reminded that the after-action report form from the test event needs to be turned in then LBCs can plan for the next sanction.

**Debbie Holmes (Southwestern)** asked if Tennessee would be allowed to go to the Sugar Bert Tournament. McAtee said that it depends on the registration numbers and we should know more by Monday.

**Tom Lindsey (South Texas)** stated that South Texas LBC has 99 registered clubs but 35 of them have remained shut down. Lindsey asked if the ones just opening have to follow the stages or if they can join in where the other clubs are. McAtee answered that they need to start at Tier 1 and go through the phases to build up to sparring and competing.

**Shaun Tallon (Illinois)** suggested using social media to help promote clubs in the area; even posting cleaning routine.

**Giving Games:** McAtee gave a shout out to everyone who has donated to the Giving Games and reminded all to please push out on social media.

**USA Boxing Foundation** awarded a grant to support boxing gyms. Cam Thompson from the national office is heading up a committee which will consist of coaches, Foundation member, Board member, and athlete representatives. The committee will come up with criteria for the grant application. More information will be available soon.

**Scholarships:** so far, we have not received any scholarship applications. Please encourage your boxers heading to college to apply.

**Jamil Ali (Mid-Atlantic)** stated that he is new as President and wanted to know if other LBCs had dealings with commissioners. McAtee stated that they would talk separately and anyone who has issues with state commissions and needs help to let him know.

**Closing:** Thank you for keeping everyone informed and if you'd like a separate meeting with your LBC leaders, please let us know. We are still good to go with National Championships in December in Lake Charles and staff is looking forward to it.

Meeting ended at 3:37 pm.

*We are deeply saddened by the death of Jose Banales, Nevada LBC President, who has been an integral part of our weekly LBC President calls, including the August 6th meeting. We will miss him. Our hearts and prayers go out to his family and members of the Nevada LBC.*



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