



LBC Presidents' Call Meeting Notes
Thursday, September 17, 2020

Call commenced at 3:02 pm Mountain Time.

LBCs represented on the call: Adirondack, Allegheny Mountain, Central California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Gulf, Hawaii, Illinois, Lake Erie, Metropolitan, Michigan, Mid-Atlantic, Minnesota, Nevada, New Jersey, Ohio, Oregon, Potomac Valley, South Texas, Southeastern, Southwestern, USIBA, Utah, West Virginia and Wisconsin.

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

Welcome: Mike McAtee welcomed the Presidents for the call and thanked Mike Campbell for running the meeting the week prior while he was visiting his daughter and granddaughter.

National Championships Update: Mike Campbell, Events & Boxing Operations Manager announced that the National Championships will be held in Shreveport, Louisiana. Although we are sad for Lake Charles and the hurricane Shreveport is able to host our same dates and will provide their entire conference center of 90,000 square feet, which will be helpful in ensuring COVID protocols are in place. Registration will begin on October 1 and have a quota for weight classes, so it will be first come, first served for sign-ups. We are going to provide a schedule for check-in and bout matches, which will be laid out on the Fact Sheet to keep crowds to a minimum. McAtee added that once we found out about Lake Charles that Mike, Taryn and Derrick started looking at alternate cities and Shreveport had put in a bid for 2021. Shreveport is a great location for driving and the price is reasonable. It is double the normal sized venue, which is the most important part because of COVID.

Review of Minutes: McAtee stated that he saw the question about membership discounts in last week's minutes. McAtee informed that we were going to have a board meeting on Wednesday, but the latest hurricane hit Mobile, which is where Tyson our President of the Board lives. McAtee is hopeful to have answer at next Board meeting.

2021 Events: For budget reasons, we are looking at just having two National Events next year (National Championships and a summer-time event). Maybe more if revenue increases. There will be major budget reductions, but we are planning for the worst but hoping for the best. We will have a budget draft next month. As much as COVID caused a financial hit at the local level, it also greatly affected finances at the national level.

Gym Grant Program: So far 110 gyms have applied for the grants. Applications are due September 30th. We are looking for more funding to provide assistance for more gyms.

Membership Update: Lynette Smith, Membership Director stated that early registration starts on November 1. We've approved at least one appealed background screening each day since August. McAtee said we do have a dedicated process and a juridical board to keep athletes safe but feels that boxing is a sport of redemption. Therefore, please encourage members with any questions in this area to contact the Membership Department.



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Debbie Holmes (Southwestern) had a question about trying to send an email and Lynette said they could talk offline after.

Angel Villarreal (R/J Commission Chairperson) stated that the R/J Quizzes have been successful and included prizes.

Ricky Womack (Potomac Valley) stated that DC is shut down, but they found a loophole by holding an event outdoors. He asked for clarity about spectators. McAtee responded that the test event will be practice for it. McAtee emphasized to follow state and local rules and move slowly.

Ansel Stewart (Michigan) is wondering if they can do a show sooner as the guidelines say November so the boxers can compete prior to Nationals. McAtee reminded that the coach's number one responsibility is the health and safety of the boxers; that is why the 4-6 weeks in the gym is important. Our job as leaders is to keep everyone safe and it will be the coaches who will make the decision to come to Louisiana.

Leslie Washington (Lake Erie) advised to be strict when hosting the events. She said it seemed that they had trouble with coaches and masks and taking temperatures on the second day. She also informed that her Matchtracker results were stolen. Campbell stated that we appreciate Leslie enforcing rules and also wanted to give a shout out to Tom Lindsey for his involvement and letting everyone know that if "You want to be part of back to boxing then you have to follow the protocols."

McAtee stated that we will be VERY strict when it comes to following protocols at the National Championships and when asked who made these rules, the answer is USA Boxing based on CDC, USOPC and our doctors recommendations.

Sugar Bert Tournament has been rescheduled to November 13-15, but it has restrictions on the number of boxers and where they may come from. Campbell stressed that there would be no travel restrictions at the National Championship, but we will have quotas on the brackets.

Health Shouts to Melanie Lay, who is 80 years young and an amazing contributor, and to Robin Jumawan for being on the call after her challenging health year.

Test Event / Event Data: Ethan Figge in Memberships Services reported that we are keeping track of participation at test events and tournaments. Here is the information:

Sparring Matches	Official Matches	Boxers	Coaches	Officials	Doctors	Audience	Staff
114	321	836	566	205	28	813	149

Robin Jumawan (Hawaii) stated that it is great to see everyone, and that Hawaii is closed down again. She asked if a boxer has to do a test event before a regional/national event. Campbell answered that it depends on state's rules and the tournament organizers and the LBC of hosting event will make decision.

Ansel Stewart (Michigan) asked if a state closes down and then opens back up, where does that state stand in the levels of Covid-19 #BacktoBoxing Protocols. McAtee answered that the boxers could probably resume where they left off when the state closed down, but it will depend on how long the state closed back up. Please contact the National Office for guidance as it will depend on the length of the state closure.



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Ricky Womack (Potomac Valley) asked who he lets know the new address of the Chief of Officials, which is to Lynette.

Closing: Thank you for being on the call and all you do! You have helped shape how we are moving forward.

Meeting ended at 4:01.



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