



USA BOXING MEETING MINUTES

BOARD OF DIRECTORS CONFERENCE CALL

February 11, 2013 * 5:00pm MST

I. Roll Call/Call to Order (5:04pm)

Board Members Present: Jim Beasley, Affiliated Organization Member; Spence Carpenter, Official's Director; Jeaneene Hildebrandt, Women's Director; Mikaela Mayer, Foundation Rep and Athlete Director; Ben Peterson, Independent Director; Gary Pliner, Vice President; Gary Richards, Grassroots Director; Kymmerli Stowe, Secretary & Athlete Director; Dr. Charles Butler, President

Board Members Absent: Angel Bovee, Athlete Director; Reggie Winston, Treasurer & Independent Director

Staff Present: Anthony Bartkowski, Executive Director; Betsy McCallister, Executive Assistant

II. QUORUM ESTABLISHED

(9 members present – 5 votes constitutes a majority)

III. AGENDA ITEMS

a. AIBA TECHNICAL & COMPETITION RULE CHANGES

President Butler explained some of the AIBA rule changes that the Board will be discussing. The Board was emailed a copy of these rule changes (attached).

President Butler received hundreds of opinions from members regarding some of these rule changes:

10 pt. must system – 4 to 1 in support

No head gear – 2 to 1 support

Two tournaments (1 with headgear, 1 without) – 100% positive

A MOTION was made (Hildebrandt) and seconded to adopt the new tournament rules outlined in the document sent to the board members.

Discussion

When do these rules take effect: AIBA has made these rule changes optional starting February 1 and mandatory starting June 1, 2013. But they encourage us to start adopting them now.

USA Boxing would like to use these new rules at our 2013 National Championships, March 30 – April 6.

Age Divisions

Junior men & women: 15-16 yrs old

Youth men & women: 17-18 yrs old

Elite men & women: 19-40 yrs old

Competition Divisions

Youth men & women (headgear): 17-18 yrs old

Elite women (headgear): 19-40 yrs old

Senior men (headgear): 19-40 yrs old

Elite men (NO headgear): 19-40 yrs old

Those men who elect to wear headgear will not advance to international competitions.

b. REFORM COMMITTEE UPDATE

Dr. Butler gave an update on the Reform Committee and where we are in the process of the reform. The Committee's most recent meeting was in Lausanne, Switzerland last month where the committee presented their proposal to Ho Kim and AIBA. The final documents are still in the works, but the new Board of Directors will be comprised of:

4 Independents, 2 athletes, 1 LBC rep, 1 Affiliate member, 1 AIBA rep, and 1 general member. Once the Board is in place, the Board will then pick their officers: president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer.

c. UPDATE ON BOXING ACADEMY FROM DONOR

The land has been purchased near Lakeland, Florida – 5.8 acres. Facility should hold about 30 athletes and will have boxing gyms, dormitories, and a running track. The donor is ready to move forward, but Dr. Butler asked them to hold off for now until the dust has settled with regard to our reform and getting back in the good graces of both AIBA and the USOC.

Meeting adjourned at 5:40pm

Submitted by Betsy McCallister