



USA BOXING MEETING MINUTES

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

August 3, 2013 * 9:00 am CST

Independence, MO

Roll Call/Call to Order (9:10 am)

Board Members Present: Cam F. Awesome, Athlete Director; Jim Beasley, Affiliated Organization Director; John Brown, General Membership Director; Dr. Charles Butler, AIBA Director; Rick Halpert, Independent Director; Dick Hoffmann, Independent Director; Mikaela Mayer, Athlete Director; Bill Polian, Independent Director; Angel Villarreal, LBC Director; DJ Walton, Independent Director.

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

Guests Present: Brian May, Candidate for Board Treasurer

QUORUM ESTABLISHED. 10 members present at the time roll call was taken. 6 members make a quorum. 6 votes constitute a majority.

AGENDA ITEMS

1. President Butler called the meeting to order and gave a brief opening statement. He asked if the Board could go into Executive Session to discuss the appointment of Brian May as the Board Treasurer, a non-voting position.

A MOTION was made (Halpert) and seconded to go into Executive Session. Mr. May left the room. Executive Session 9:15 – 9:25

2. Nomination and Selection of First Vice President
According to the USAB Bylaws, section 7.3 (B), the First Vice President shall: assist the president; in the absence of or at the request of the president, perform the duties of the president; and shall serve as liaison for the Board with respect to the AIBA Open Boxing (AOB) program within USA Boxing.

President Butler opened up the floor for nominations. Dr. Hoffmann nominated Mr. John Brown. His nomination was seconded. There were no more nominations.

A VOTE was taken and the board voted unanimously to approve Mr. John Brown as the First Vice President.

A MOTION was made (Polian) and seconded to give each Board member the title of Vice President to put on his/her business cards. The idea being that having a position of authority within the Board of Director's will open more doors for the board members with other businesses and entities. It is a title only and has no meaning or "power" within the Board of Directors. A VOTE was taken and the MOTION PASSED unanimously.

3. 2nd Vice President: At the present time, the Board is not going to fill the 2nd Vice President position.

4. Mr. Halpert was appointed Parliamentarian by President Butler

5. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes:

4/17/12

5/23/12

5/29/12

6/25/12

7/16/12

8/16/12

9/27/12

11/1/12

12/13/12

12/19/12

2/11/13

3/4/13

3/25/13

(These meeting minutes had been sent to the Board members via email prior to the meeting for their review)

A MOTION was made (Hoffmann) and seconded to approve the Board meeting minutes as listed above. A VOTE was taken and the MOTION PASSED unanimously.

6. 2012 Audit Statement approval

(The audit statement had been sent to the Board members via email prior to the meeting for their review)

A MOTION was made (Hoffmann) and seconded to approve the 2012 Audit Statement. A VOTE was taken and the MOTION PASSED unanimously.

A MOTION was made (Villarreal) and seconded to move into Executive Session (3:30pm). MOTION PASSED. The Board came out of Executive Session at 5:10pm.

7. Proposed New Technical & Competition Rules.

Mr. Bartkowski and Mr. Villarreal gave an overview of the new rules. (Handouts were provided to the Board Members.)

A MOTION was made (Polian) and seconded to approve the new Technical and Competition Rulebooks with the caveat that Mr. Villarreal, Mr. Bartkowski, and Dr. Butler would be allowed to make some minor edits before publication.

A VOTE was taken and the MOTION PASSED. The new rulebooks will be available to our members by next week.

8. Presentation by Vii Network Group

The Vii Network (Phil Newman and Rick Schaeffer) gave a presentation on an on-line membership program designed for USA Boxing which would integrate many areas of our membership – registration; sanctions; finding a club; signing up for an event; sharing best practices; getting feedback from Coach Pedro; and education/certification training to name just a few.

It was agreed that Mr. Walton and Mr. May would review the Vii Network contract.

9. Policies and Plans

a. USOC Safe Sport Policy

USA Boxing must have a Safe Sport Policy in place and implemented by December 2013. Mr. Beasley and Mr. Polian volunteered to help develop the policy. There is a USOC template that we can use.

b. Diversity Plan

Although USA Boxing is one of the most diverse sports in the Olympics, we still need to improve in certain areas such as increase women's participation and look into the possibility of incorporating a Wounded Warriors program. We must develop a Diversity and Inclusion (D&I) plan and submit it to the USOC by October. Dr. Hoffmann and Mr. Polian agreed to work on this.

c. Travel Policy

Our current travel policy is outdated. USAB staff will work on this policy.

d. Investment Policy

Mr. May will work with our Finance Director to develop our investment policy.

10. USA Boxing Committees

a. Nominating and Governance Committee

This committee was formed by the Reform Committee to vet the candidates who are now sitting on the Board. They will remain on this committee until 2016.

b. Audit, Ethics, and Appeals Committees

President Butler informed the Board of his recommendation in taking the time to evaluate committee members before appointing them to committees. The Board will review candidates over time, however we need a Judicial panel immediately as there are pending grievances.

c. Judicial Committee

President Butler and Mr. Bartkowski have identified 3 individuals who they think will be very effective in serving on this committee: Luis Aguilar, John Hiller, and Robert Guido.

A MOTION was made (Hoffmann) and seconded to accept these three individuals as recommended as the start of the Judicial Committee with other people to be named later. A VOTE was taken and the MOTION PASSED unanimously.

Due to time constraints, the Board was unable to get through the entire agenda. The items missed will be carried forward to the next Board meeting.

A MOTION was made (Villarreal) to adjourn the meeting. MOTION PASSED. Meeting adjourned at 8:35pm.

Submitted by Betsy McCallister on behalf of Anthony Bartkowski