



USA BOXING MEETING MINUTES

BOARD OF DIRECTORS CONFERENCE CALL
November 22, 2013 * 3:00 pm MST

Roll Call/Call to Order (3:07 pm)

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

Board Members Absent: Rick Halpert, Independent Director

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

QUORUM ESTABLISHED. 9 voting members present at the time roll call was taken. 5 members constitute a majority, and therefore a quorum.

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Approval of Minutes

A MOTION was made (Beasley) and seconded to approve the meeting minutes of September 26, 2013. All in favor of approving. MOTION CARRIES.

2. Affiliate Member Applications

Continuing from the previous Board meeting when it was first discussed that the US Intercollegiate Boxing Association and the Native American Group/Geronimo Stronghold Boxing Club wanted to become affiliate members of USA Boxing. Between the last meeting and this one, Dr. Hoffmann did some research into the USIBA and provided the Board with a recap of his findings and recommendation.

After much discussion, a MOTION was made (Hoffmann) and seconded to approve the US Intercollegiate Boxing Association (USIBA) as an Affiliated Member of USA Boxing on a provisional basis until such time as the USIBA has completed their third national tournament in April 2015. The Board wanted it on record that going forward for other organizations applying for Affiliated Organization status, each will be considered on a case-by-case basis on its own individual merits. A VOTE was taken and the MOTION CARRIES with eight votes in favor, and one abstention (Beasley).

The Board discussed the Native American group and it was decided that Dr. Hoffmann along with Mr. Bartkowski would conduct further research into this group and to share their findings with the rest of the Board. The hope was that this could be done fairly quickly and the Board could vote on this group via email.

Mr. Bartkowski recommended a working group be created to further define group/affiliate member obligations and criteria for admittance.

3. Entry Fees for USAB National Championships

Mr. Bartkowski provided the Board a brief overview of USAB expenses related to the National Championships each year and how we might be able to defray some of these expenses. A staggered entry fee schedule was presented to the board for discussion and approval:

Today to Dec. 31 - \$30

Jan. 1 – 18 - \$50

At the door - \$100

After much discussion and several different pricing strategies considered, a MOTION was made (Hoffmann) and seconded to authorize the National Office to determine the entry fee structure as long as the fee did not exceed \$70 at any stage of the registration. A VOTE was taken and the MOTION CARRIES with nine in favor and one opposed (Brown).

4. Athlete Selection Process

Mr. Bartkowski updated the Board on where we stand with our selection procedures. We are starting to work on a new selection process that will create a pool of athletes, but we are waiting until the IOC approves AIBA's process – hopefully by the end of February.

5. Concerns from New England LBC President Jim Perella re: Golden Gloves

A MOTION was made (Polian) and seconded to go into executive session to discuss this matter (4:20pm). The Board came out of executive session at 4:55pm.

6. Coach Recruitment and Certification update

President Butler gave a brief overview as to where we stand right now. Ed Weichers, the chair of the Coaches Commission will meet with Anthony and the USAB High Performance team to discuss what is available to coaches in regards to certification and also the AIBA system.

7. New Business

For the next Board meeting, Dr. Hoffmann would like to discuss the World Championships: Why we did not do well and how we can do better in the future. Mr. Bartkowski to provide his assessment of where we stand for the year in performance and how we can improve.

8. Next Board Call

The next Board call will take place either December 18, 19, or 20. It was proposed that we start an hour earlier, at 2:00pm MST (4:00pm EST). An email will be sent out to determine the best day and time.

Meeting adjourned at 5:05pm

Submitted by Betsy McCallister on behalf of Anthony Bartkowski