LBC Presidents’ Call Meeting Notes
Conference Call for LBC Presidents regarding COVID-19 and Back to Boxing
Thursday, June 25, 2020

Call commenced at 3:03 pm Mountain Time.

LBCs represented on the call: Adirondack, Allegheny Mountain, Arkansas, Central California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Inland Northwest, Lake Erie, Metro, Michigan, Minnesota, NCBA, Nebraska, Nevada, New England, New Jersey, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Ozark, South Texas, Southwestern, Utah, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Wyoming,

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

Welcome: Mike McAtee, Executive Director welcomed everyone to the call and reminded to raise your hand in the chat box or physically if you have a question. McAtee thanked the LBC leaders for being on the “front line” with members and answering all the questions. We have had 420 people join or renew this month. We are tough dedicated people. And we have a great sport and it is because of the LBC leaders. Thank you!

Please email Stacy that you are on the call and if you can’t make it, please find a designee. We may cancel next week’s call and will let you know early next week. Let Stacy know if you have a preference.

Map / Membership Within the LBC: When people point to the map on the website regarding gyms opening, be sure to say to follow local rules as different regions within states are different. The guide at the bottom of the map gives some trigger points. Ask when the gym opened, then for 2 weeks it’s limited participation (like mitts), then 2 weeks then sparring. If you have something unique within your LBC that you’d like to discuss, let us know. Or you are hosting a call within your LBC and you’d like staff to be on it, please let us know.

Mike Campbell, Boxing Operations & Events Manager reported that we posted the Tier 2 Return to Boxing document, but keep in mind that different parts of the country will be different. We have surveyed officials and doctors and it is interesting data as far as their comfort levels in return to competition. Keep in mind that the document is a guide. The national office will be involved in the entire process of the test events from planning to evaluation. We have two test events planned for July 11. We will use feedback from those events to help plan future test events. Please use the attached form when submitting for a test event sanction.
Lynette Smith, Membership Director stated that it is so good to see everyone. Once an LBC has a test event, you can start rescheduling sanctions. Sanctions can be scheduled until the end of 2021.

Ansel Stewart (Michigan) asked if a cooling time period is needed after the test events. McAtee said it’s a good idea and Campbell agrees with Angel Villarreal that there should be an after-action report done following the test event.

New Website: McAtee reported that a week from today, a soft opening of our new website is happening. For LBCs with links, please check it out and reach out by email to our Brian our Communications Manager at Btaylor@usaboxing.org.

Angel Villarreal (Wisconsin) R/J Commission stated that there should be a level of comfort and the test event is practice including entry and exit, field of play, and use of PPE.

Gene Campbell (Ohio) asked what to say to gym owners who aren’t following the local rules since people just read what they want. McAtee said that we need to continue to stress to follow local rules and we are not the gym police.

Ansel Stewart (Michigan) noticed that a lot of gyms put things on Youtube and is wondering if there is any liability with pros and amateurs mixing. McAtee said it is covered by insurance and is a cultural thing. He again stressed to teach gym owners and coaches to follow state and local rules.

Shaun Tallon (Illinois) stated that he keeps getting calls and he responds to contact local authorities.

Jackie Atkins (New Jersey) asked for URLS for links. McAtee is going to reach out to Brian to contact Jackie.

Leslie Washington (Lake Erie) said they are planning a Test Event.

Jeanne DePriest (Colorado) asked that After-Action Reports for the first test events be shared so all can learn how things went.

Lynette Smith, Membership Director added that Webpoint LBC Admin access has been repaired so you can send messages out within your LBC.

Shaun Tallon (Illinois) asked if the results of the official’s survey will be shared. Campbell is going to send the results out.

Jeanne DePriest asked Angel about the process for official’s face shield and masks. Gloves and masks will be provided and anything else will be up to the individual.

Frank Aleman (Central California) mentioned that the officials’ certification got messed up. Lynette said that we have asked Webpoint to extend dates to 12/31/2020 and to call her with any issues.
Shaun Tallon (Illinois) asked if anyone in Michigan or Indiana were having test events to let him know as he’d like to come check them out.

Jose Banales (Nevada) asked about the Memorial being posted. McAtee stated that it will be part of the new website.

Ansel Stewart (Michigan) said his LBC is looking to purchase thermometers for the sanction holders. He’s looking to purchase them in bulk and asked if USA Boxing would explore making one purchase and extending the reduced price to LBCs. McAtee responded that we are looking into this and will likely put out a “supply order listing” to LBCs who will then fill in with the amounts they want USA Boxing to purchase on their behalf. USA Boxing will bill the LBC accordingly.

Clayton Jensen (Wyoming) asked if level 3 Officials Certification expires. They all are extended to Dec. 31, 2020. We will be flexible since there are limited opportunities.

McAtee thanked everyone again for being on the call. Please encourage everyone to renew their membership especially since background screenings and SafeSport training takes time to complete. McAtee reported that we had one more person join while we were on the call! Membership staff will be in the office more, so please let us know if you need anything.

Have a fantastic weekend!

Meeting ended at 3:50 pm Mountain Time.