**LOUISIANA STATE**

**WRESTLING & BOXING COMMISSION**

**MINUTES**

**JULY 7, 2017**

**BATON ROUGE, LA**

1. **ATTENDEES:**
BUDDY EMBANATO (B.E.)
JOHN GREEN, JR. (J.G.)

JAMES (JIMBO) STEVENSON (J.S.)
DR. THOMAS FERGUSON (T.F.)
HAROLD WILLIAMS (H.W.)
BOBBY DUPRE (B.D.)

JAMES BRENNAN (J.B.)

RUSSELL NAQUIN – DEP. COMMISSIONER

RICKY NORRIS – DEP. COMMISSIONER

ADDIE FIELDS (A.F.) - ACCTG

1. **MINUTES:**

T.F. moves to accept June minutes as written, H.W. seconds. Passed, all ayes. J. S. moves to approve and pay bills & July payroll. B.D. seconds, passed, all ayes.

1. **INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:**

No guests present with the exception of Leslie Watson who is attending the hearing.

**4) MEETING RECESS, SCHEDULED HEARING & RESULTS:**

Secretary Green swears in Leslie Watson, now under oath for his hearing concerning his inappropriate behavior at the 6/2/2017 event, threats against commission members and his withheld purse. ***Transcript of hearing will be emailed to concerned parties and posted to the State of LA Boards and Commission website for public viewing when available.***

J.S. moves to suspend him indefinitely; askes T.F. to find an anger management course for Mr. Watson to complete before suspension is lifted. T.F. says recommends a 26-week course & moves to pay him his withheld purse check for $825.00; He will have an indefinite suspension & complete an anger management course if he ever wants to fight LA again; H.W. seconds; passed all ayes.

L.W. receives his $825.00 purse check. J.S. has his incomplete licenses for him to fill out information & mail back to J.S. Mr. Watson was told results of hearing: The commission will not fine you but in order to fight in LA you must complete this court ordered 26-week anger management course. You can fight anywhere you want, but not in LA until course requirements are fulfilled. T.F. tries to review the particulars but Mr. Watson becomes irate and is ejected by Capital Security Team from the room.

 J.G. will send Mr. Watson notification of findings by written correspondence.

**5) LICENSE RENEWALS/APPLICATIONS:**

 Only the guy from Colorado; we approved him at last meeting

**6) NEW BUSINESS**:

 R.N. has a request from Mr. Matherne to be removed as partner in promoting with Mr. Miller regarding Voodoo Wrestling promoter’s license.

**7) OLD BUSINESS**:

 Bogie’s Tough Man issue: J.G. is working on that; will continue to try to resolve. Had contact with the Attorney Saulnier & he is willing to work with us.

 ACSE conference at end of the month; all should come. B.E. requests LSBWC sponsor training for the event with a $3,000.00 donation. T.F. moves to submit payment of $3,000.00 to ACSE, B.D. seconds, passed, all ayes.

 Rules review set for next meeting.

**8) PAST SHOWS:**

 No discussion.

**9) UPCOMING SHOWS:**

 Verdin on 28th in MC; Ruston on 29th. All fees paid. All boxing shows were at June meeting. Two WWE shows on Aug 26, 27th in Monroe and BR. Both house shows. J.G. requests that Jimbo press upon the Fox Network to a 10 count for Mr. Daley at the Alex show. J.S. says he will. R.N. & J.S. will get on it on the 18th. J.G. moves to re-approve all dates. H.W. seconds, passed, all ayes.

**9) NEXT MEETING DATE & ADJOURNMENT:**

Date 8/10, Thursday, looks good for all here at the capital….if no room, will get 8/17 @ 1:30. J.S. moves to accept dates and adjourn, T.F. seconds; meeting adjourned.