**LOUISIANA STATE**

**WRESTLING & BOXING COMMISSION**

**MINUTES**

**JUNE 16, 2023**

**HYATT REGENCY, NEW ORLEANS**

1. **ATTENDEES:**
BUDDY EMBANATO (B.E.)
JAMES (JIMBO) STEVENSON (J.S.)

JOHN GREEN, JR. (J.G.)
DR. THOMAS FERGUSON (T.F.) – ABSENT - MEDICAL

HAROLD WILLIAMS (H.W.)
ORAY ROGERS (O.R.) – ABSENT - MEDICAL

JAMES BRENNAN (J.B.)

ELMO BOUDREAUX – DEP. COMMISSIONER (E.B.)

RICKY NORRIS – DEP. COMMISSIONER (R.N.)

ADDIE FIELDS (A.F.) - ACCTG

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES & FINANCIAL REPORT:**

J.G. moves to approve April minutes (May meeting was canceled due to illnesses), J.B. seconds. J.B. moves to approve financial report and pay bills, J.S. seconds. All ayes, motions approved.

1. **INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:**

Sheri Cedotal – Class B Wrestling Promoter License applicant

Jacoby Landry – Boxing Promoter License applicant

1. **RENEWALS/APPLICATIONS:**

Jacoby Landry: Boxing Promoter License applicant; from Breaux Bridge, LA; multiple businesses; construction companies; acctg. firm; etc., runs a nonprofit for kids; J.S. asks about his experience. Not much; has a cousin that has a little more experience. Lot of talent in our area and Chad B. is the only promoter around. B.E. and J.S. review rules and documents required; will bring to next meeting. Turns in license app to B.E; go to website review rules, etc.

Sheri Cedotal: Class B Wrestling license applicant; J.G. needs to review and approve her post-nuptial docs to separate from husband’s Class A Wrestling license. ISSUE: even though they’ve formed separate LLCs, after death each spouse would inherit half of $$. So not totally separate. Needs to have postnuptial agreement signed by judge and filed with court. She says too expensive at $900. J.G. moves to deny; J.B., H.W., and J.S. all vote nay to deny Class B Wrestling license to Mrs. Cedotal.

1. **OLD BUSINESS:**

London Rule Fighting Emergency Rule: Open discussion on rule edits on ER to expire in August; Boxing weights will replace current; clarify language in §901; leave the rest as is; J.G. moves to accept edits; H.W. seconds. Passed, all ayes. Addie will make edits and issue a new ER to be published and create the NOI to submit to Fiscal Office as soon as possible as they have indicated due to staff turnover, the FIS may take longer to approve.

1. **NEW BUSINESS:**

None

1. **PAST SHOWS:**

No problems or issues. Had a boxer suspended for 90 days.

1. **UPCOMING SHOWS:**

Wrestling: 5/27 – 6/17 shows approved at April meeting; Class A in Opelousas by Joey Comeaux on /17; Class B by Josh Newell in Monroe on 6/18; WWE on 6/23 in Lafayette in the Cajun Dome; WWE on 6/24 in Monroe; 7/1 Class A by Jeremy Young in Shreveport; Class A on 7/8 by Mike Beadle in Morgan City; 7/15 Class A by Eddie Cedotal in Plaquemine; Matt Lancie Class A on 7/22 in River Ridge; WWE on 7/28 at the Smoothie King in N.O.; Class B by Mike Boudreaux on 7/29 in Denham Springs; Class A by Dannie Davis on 7/9 in Bastrop.

 Boxing: Chris Johnson on 9/30 in Plaquemine.

MMA: Justin Verdin in Houma on 6/24; Joe Ancona in Kenner on 6/30; AKA Bishop on 7/7 at the Casino (??). R.N. says he has an app for Island Fights promoter; J.G. requests he send him their documents and he will review.

J.G. moves to accept all of above; H.W. seconds; events accepted, all ayes.

1. **NEXT MEETING & ADJOURNMENT**

July 12 looks good for all; B.E. will advise if room available at Capital or meet at Embassy Suites. J.S. moves to accept date and adjourn; J.B. seconds; meeting adjourned.