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Minutes of the March 21, 2017 meeting of the Ohio Athletic Commission (“OAC”) held at 10:00 A.M. at the Bureau of Workers’ Compensation, Garfield Heights, Ohio.

- I. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Executive Director Bernie Profato. Roll call was taken by Mr. Profato. Present for roll call were: Commissioner Schuerger, Commissioner Stainbrook, Commissioner Patton, and Commissioner Mancini.
- II. The minutes of the February 14, 2017 meeting were first on the agenda. Commissioner Patton moved to approve the minutes. Commissioner Stainbrook seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

The Licensure list was presented for Commission approval. Commissioner Patton moved to approve the Licensure list. Commissioner Mancini seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.
- III. Under unfinished business Mr. Profato discussed the letter that was sent (via certified and regular mail) to BOOM Promotions in Cincinnati for bond collection was returned to us. The boxers were not paid and no taxes were paid to the Commission. They did not turn in ticket invoices or attendance records. Mr. Profato will have Assistant Attorney General Brian Honen check with the Hamilton County Prosecutor’s office to see if we can file criminal charges. Commissioner Stainbrook made a motion to suspend the license of Robert James III (BOOM Promotions). Commissioner Mancini seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Boxer Andrew Rodgers sent a letter to the Commission petitioning for a no contest. After discussion Commissioner Patton made a motion to allow a no contest for Andrew Rodgers. Commissioner Stainbrook seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

A protest letter was sent to the Commission regarding the results at the February 18 show from Boxer Thomas Williams. Mr. Profato said the Commission has three options: deny the protest, rule a no contest as it was mishandled, or disqualify the person who hit the fighter when he was down. After much discussion the Commission denied the protest. Commissioner Mancini made a motion to uphold the victory. Commissioner Patton seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved. Mr. Profato said a letter will be sent back to Mr. Williams stating that it was a foul, points were taken from your opponent, and the fight

continued and there is no evidence that the foul caused you to lose the fight.

- IV. Under new business Mr. Profato started to discuss the communication with the office when Commissioner Stainbrook requested the Board go into Executive Session and made a motion. Commissioner Patton seconded the motion to adjourn to Executive Session. Roll call vote taken:

Commissioner Mancini – Aye
Commissioner Schuerger – Aye
Commissioner Patton – Aye
Commissioner Stainbrook - Aye

The Board returned from Executive Session and finished discussing new business. Mr. Profato mentioned the Ethics training and forms required of the Commissioners.

Mr. Profato would like to see criminal charges filed against Ravon Littlejohn, Boxing Promoter, since two checks have bounced to a doctor and an official. Commissioner Stainbrook would like to table this until he researches and reviews documentation for the next meeting. Commissioner Patton made a motion to table the filing of criminal charges against Ravon Littlejohn until the April meeting. Commissioner Mancini seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

- V. A Pro Am MMA event in Cleveland on March 18 promoted by Melissa Trukovich. Commissioner Stainbrook moved to approve the event. Commissioner Patton seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

A Pro Am MMA event in Akron on March 25 promoted by Scott Sheeley. Commissioner Patton moved to approve the event. Commissioner Mancini seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

A Boxing event in Toledo on April 8 promoted by Victor Green. Commissioner Stainbrook moved to approve the event. Commissioner Patton seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

- VI. There was no Executive Director's report.

- VII. There were no public comments.

- VIII. Commissioner Stainbrook moved to adjourn. Commissioner Patton seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

- IX. Roll call was taken by Mr. Profato. Present for roll call were: Commissioner Schuerger, Commissioner Stainbrook, Commissioner Patton, and Commissioner Mancini. Mandatory Ethics training for one hour was conducted by Mr. Profato.

The minutes have been edited for clarity and punctuation only. Content remains unchanged and the original tape of the meeting is intact and available.

ATTESTED TO: _____ DATE: _____

POSITION: _____

