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Minutes of the April 10, 2018 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 Director Bernie Profato. Roll call was taken by Mr. Profato. Present for roll call were Commissioner Stainbrook, Commissioner Schueger, Commissioner Armile, Commissioner Patton, Commissioner Mancini.
- II. The minutes of the February 13, 2018 meeting were first on the agenda. Commissioner Stainbrook moved to approve the minutes. Commissioner Patton moved to accept, and Commissioner Mancini seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.
- III. The Licensure list was presented for Commission approval. Commissioner Stainbrook moved to approve the Licensure list. Commissioner Patton moved to accept, and Commissioner Mancini seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.
- IV. Unfinished business: The Ethics report, May 15th is the deadline for everyone to complete the online tutorial. An appeal was made regarding Referee Gary Copeland, who was suspended for 30 days after an Alliance MMA 3-3-18 event in Columbus, Ohio, Espinoza vs. Hamilton. Director Profato explained to the commission that Copeland was detained in the bathroom due to a sick fighter and crowd due to the fact it was The Arnold Classic. Commissioner Armile would need to bring the motion to the table since he was the one who made the motion originally for rescindment. Commissioner Armile made the motion to rescind the 30-day suspension and nothing to appear in Mr. Copeland's personnel file. Timothy Hartmyer, a timekeeper is pending criminal charges. This matter will go into Executive Session. Commissioner Stainbrook moved to accept. Commissioner Patton seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.
- V. New Business: Unarmed combat events. Grappling – fighters that are under suspension or not allowed to fight in Ohio are showing up on cards for Grappling events in Ohio. Director Profato feels that Grappling should fall within the Ohio Athletic Commission's guidelines like MMA does. Commissioners and the Commission's Attorney will look into the case law regarding Grappling and this will be addressed at the next meeting.

VI. Events:

A. Pro/AM MMA event April 28, 2018 in Tallmadge promoted by Jeremy Caudull.
Events approved, Commissioner Stainbrook moved to accept, Commissioner Patton seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

VII. Executive Director Report- The Oaks website is changing. The revenue report for March was \$24,650.00. Reminder for financial activity report is Tax Day May 15, 2018. Motion to move to Executive Session. Commissioner Stainbrook moved to accept, Commissioner Armile seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

VIII. No Public Comments

IX. Executive Session: Timekeeper Timothy Hartmyer – Temporary suspension issued pending Criminal Charges for Child Pornography and outcome of those charges. Commissioner Stainbrook moved to accept, Commissioner Armile seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

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

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

ATTESTED TO

DATE

May 8, 2018

POSITION

Acting Chairman