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**OHIO ATHLETIC COMMISSION**

Minutes of the June 13, 2012 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. Mr. Profato introduced the new Commissioner Robert Schuerger to the Board. Roll call was taken by Executive Director Profato. Present for roll call were: Commissioner Robert Schuerger, Commissioner Tim Ochsenhirt and Commissioner Dr. Harry Stiggers. Commissioner John Konstantinos was excused and Commissioner Tim Ochsenhirt acted as Chairman.
- II. A. The minutes of the May 9, 2012 meeting were first on the agenda. Commissioner Dr. Stiggers moved to approve the minutes. Commissioner Schuerger seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.  
B. The Licensure list was presented for Commission approval. Commissioner Schuerger moved to approve the list. Commissioner Dr. Stiggers seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.
- III. There was no unfinished business.
- IV. Under new business, Mr. Profato stated that Substitute House Bill 155 has passed. The Governor signed it into law about two weeks ago. Under the tax exempt area in our laws "tax exempt" refers to the military, U.S.A. Boxing or the U.S.A. Olympic Committee. What this law did was add the Fraternal Order of Police and the State Fireman's Association to the tax exempt definition. Tax exempt organizations can conduct amateur events within their group such as karate, boxing or wrestling and be exempt from our rules. They do not have to get a permit or license from us. All of the money received from such events has to go to charity.

The ophthalmology exam was changed by the Ringside Physicians Group. As a result, we will be changing the wording on our Ophthalmological Exam form. Previously if a fighter had cataracts or glaucoma he would not have been allowed to fight. Doctors have since discovered that certain types of cataracts and glaucoma are caused by factors other than being struck. If a fighter's cataract or glaucoma is not caused from being struck, we will require a clearance from a doctor at the next level (example, Retinal specialist, Glaucoma specialist).

V. A Pro-Am MMA event in Carroll on June 23, promoted by Shaun North; Commissioner Dr. Stiggers moved to approve the event. Commissioner Schuerger seconded it and it was unanimously approved.

A Pro-Am MMA event in Warren on June 30, promoted by Lorenzo Gentile; Commissioner Dr. Stiggers moved to approve the event. Commissioner Schuerger seconded it and it was unanimously approved.

VI. The Executive Director's report was read by all of the Commissioners.

VII. There were no public comments.

VIII. Commissioner Dr. Stiggers moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Schuerger seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

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: John Constantines DATE: 7-11-12

POSITION: Chairman

