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Minutes of the March 10, 2015 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 Tim Ochsenhirt, Commissioner Jon Stainbrook, Commissioner Terry Patton and Commissioner Dr. Armile.

II. The minutes of the February 10, 2015 meeting were first on the agenda. Commissioner Dr. Armile moved to approve the minutes. Commissioner Patton seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

The Licensure list was presented for Commission approval. Commissioner Stainbrook moved to approve the list. Commissioner Dr. Armile seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

III. Under unfinished business Mr. Profato discussed his meeting at the Cleveland Clinic for the neurological study. They will work in conjunction with the committee that studies dehydration. Cleveland Clinic will offer free MRI/MRA's to fighters, as well as pay their expenses, if they sign on to be a part of the three year study. We will have a form stating that if they do not complete the study their Ohio license will be revoked.

Mr. Profato said that Ethics training can be conducted at the meeting site after the Board meetings or the Commissioners can go online and complete training. He will have more information at the next meeting.

IV. Under new business, Mr. Profato mentioned that the rule now states that amateurs have to weigh- in the day of the fight. There are NO weight allowances. He is thinking of doing a study from April to September (maybe longer) to allow amateurs to weigh in the day before a fight. Allowing this may help out on the fighter's rehydration. We will then enforce the second part of the rule where they have to weigh-in the next day. We will be able to see where they come in on the weight. If we see there are not a lot of big violations then we can go ahead and change the rule.

V. A Pro Am MMA event in Mansfield on March 21, promoted by Melissa Trukovich. Commissioner Patton moved to approve the event. Commissioner Stainbrook seconded it and it was unanimously approved.

A Pro Am MMA event in Lina on March 21, promoted by Scott Sheeley. Commissioner Stainbrook moved to approve the event. Commissioner Dr. Armile 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 Stainbrook moved to adjourn. Commissioner Dr. Armile 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: 

DATE: 4-14-15

POSITION: Chairman