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Minutes of the April 8, 2009 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 Profato. Roll call was taken by Executive Director Profato. Present for roll call were: Commissioner Gene Weiss, Commissioner John Konstantinos, Commissioner Dr. Harry Stiggers, Commissioner Michael Chase, and Commissioner Tom Jelepis. Senator Tom Patton was also present for the meeting. He is the non-voting member of the Commission.
- II.
 - A. The minutes of the March 11, 2009 meeting were first on the agenda. Commissioner Tom Jelepis moved to approve the minutes, Commissioner Michael Chase seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.
 - B. The Licensure list was presented for Commission approval. Commissioner John Konstantinos moved to approve the list, Commissioner Michael Chase seconded it and it was unanimously approved.
- III. There was no unfinished business.
- IV. Under new business, Executive Director Profato stated that from now on the Board minutes will be emailed to the Commissioners. Also, the list of meetings and announcements will be on the Athletic Commission's website.
- V. A Pro Am MMA event in Cincinnati on April 11, promoted by Steve Stanton; Commissioner Michael Chase moved to approve the event. Commissioner Dr. Stiggers seconded it and it was unanimously approved.

A Pro Am MMA event in Mansfield on April 18, promoted by Cindy Pray; Commissioner Tom Jelepis moved to approve the event. Commissioner Dr. Stiggers seconded it and it was unanimously approved.

A Pro MMA event in Akron on May 2, promoted by Tom Yerace; Commissioner John Konstantinos moved to approve the event. Commissioner Tom Jelepis seconded it and it was unanimously approved.

A Pro MMA event in Columbus on May 9, promoted by Devin Price; Commissioner Dr.

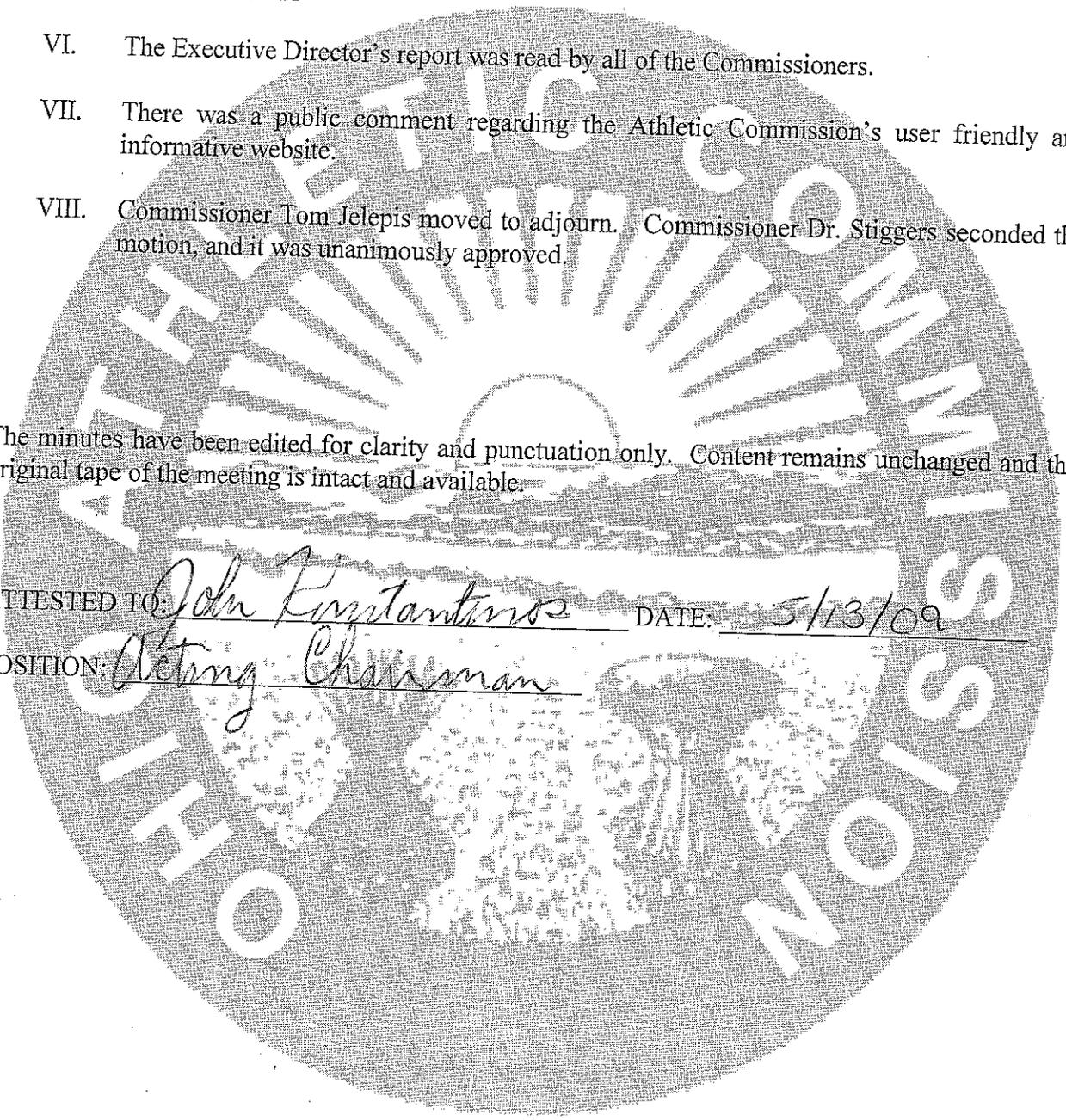
Stiggers moved to approve the event. Commissioner Tom Jelep is seconded it and it was unanimously approved.

A Boxing event in Columbus on April 25, promoted by Wanda Bruce; Commissioner Michael Chase moved to approve the event. Commissioner John Konstantinos seconded it and it was unanimously approved.

- VI. The Executive Director's report was read by all of the Commissioners.
- VII. There was a public comment regarding the Athletic Commission's user friendly and informative website.
- VIII. Commissioner Tom Jelep is moved to adjourn. Commissioner Dr. Stiggers 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 Konstantinos DATE: 5/13/09
POSITION: Acting Chairman



APPEAL HEARING FOR DANTE CRAIG

Assistant Attorney General John Patterson swore in Executive Director Bernie Profato to testify concerning Dante Craig's appeal.

Executive Director Profato's testimony is as follows:

Mr. Craig hand delivered a protest letter to the Ohio Athletic Commission office in Youngstown and it is time stamped at 1:48 p.m. on March 24, 2009. Mr. Craig met the ten-day requirement that is required to protest a decision. [The letter was marked as Exhibit 1.]

The inspector did not have the contracts in hand because the promoter wanted to make a copy of them. The tape sent to the Athletic Commission did not show the announcement of the fight before it started. It remains unclear as to whether it was announced as a six round or four round fight. The fight ended in four rounds and it was a split decision. The referee did not stop the fight rather it was just ended in four rounds. The decision was announced and it took Mr. Craig ten days to contact the Ohio Athletic Commission.

The only one who lost was the promoter who paid the fighters for six rounds and they only fought four. Was there a mistake made by the Commission? Yes. However, Mr. Craig is asking the Commission to predict the future based on what he may have done.

[The contracts are marked as Exhibit 2 and 3.]

Assistant Attorney General John Patterson presented the voting members of the Board with three options. The first option is to leave the results as they stand. The second option is to declare it a "no contest". The third option is to declare Dante Craig the winner.

Commissioner John Konstantinos made a motion to declare the fight a "no contest". The motion was seconded by Commissioner Michael Chase.

Roll call was taken with the results as follows:

Tom Jelepis – Aye
Dr. Stiggers – Aye
Michael Chase – Aye
John Konstantinos – Aye
Gene Weiss – Aye

The motion was unanimously approved to declare the fight a "no contest".