

Wednesday, September 20, 2023

5:42 PM

### In Attendance:

- Travis Grindle
- Jennie Sudo
- Bryan Jeannotte
- Geoff Rhodenizer
- David McFalls
- John James
- Brad Stephenson
- Jorgen Thompson
- JC Penny (Guest)

### Regrets:

- Paul Davis

### 1. Welcome - Acknowledgement

- Call to order - 5:42

### 2. Approval of Agenda

#### **MOTION – G Rhodenizer/J James**

THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

----- **CARRIED**

### 3. Approval of the Minutes: August 23/23

#### **MOTION – G Rhodenizer/D McFalls**

THAT meeting minutes for August 23, 2023 be approved with correction to name in item 13.

----- **CARRIED**

### 4. Branded Fighting Series Preparations (September 30/23)

- General discussion:
  - a) Line Up Card Approval Meeting
    - a. Current lineup shows 12 scheduled fights, however, final lineup has not been submitted. Commission suggested to contact promotor to remind them final dates lineup is able to be submitted  
DIRECTION: J James, B Jeannotte, P Davis to schedule meeting to review & approve card
  - b) Medical Records
    - a. Medical records currently being received and entered by J James for upcoming event
  - c) Weigh-In
    - a. Progressive Fighting Academy Gym, 1720 2 Ave S, volunteers present no later than 5:30pm
  - d) Rules Meeting at Weigh-In
    - a. Conducted by J Koshman
  - e) Officials
    - a. All required officials/ volunteers booked and confirmed
  - f) Medical Staff
    - a. Currently unable to confirm doctor for event. If no doctor is able to be confirmed in the next few days, event will be cancelled. Doctor is required to be onsite at event
  - g) Volunteers
    - a. (7) confirmed volunteers for weigh-in, (11) confirmed volunteers for event night
  - h) Medicine Hat Commission Members
    - a. (2) members of Medicine Hat Commission confirmed to be amongst event night volunteers

## 5. Provincial Group Meeting Report (September 13/23)

- As presented by Chair

## 6. Bare Knuckle Fighting – ABC Unified Rules

- 'Association of Boxing Commission – Bare Knuckle Fighting Unified Rules' document presented to Commission
  - General discussion:
    - Suggestion to adopt bareknuckle boxing rules as presented. This would not change final approval processing as presenters would need to confirm rule package
    - Communications should be forwarded to promoters regarding newly adopted rules
    - DIRECTION: B Jeannotte to seek feedback from experienced referee contacts as due diligence
    - DIRECTION: Commission to review document and bring forward any questions or concerns in preparation to accept, decline, or amend rules to, October 2023 meeting

## 7. Officiating Three-Day Course Summary (J Koshman)

- As received by Commission
- Saved to files - complete

## 8. Judges Training Course

- General discussion:
  - Combative Sports Official Trainer found and is willing to come for an estimated total of approximately \$2,800
  - In the interest of hosting a more cost effective training course, proposal to have recently certified trainer J Koshman instruct training sessions
  - DIRECTION: B Jeannotte to contact J Koshman to see if there is interest, and contact Medicine Hat Commission to see if there is interest in a cost sharing training session
  - Training sessions will last 1 full day, with meal included, in approximately January 2024 (TBD)

### **MOTION – G Rhodenizer/D McFalls**

THAT a one day training session be hosted by Lethbridge Combative Sports Commission up to \$1,000.

----- **CARRIED**

## 9. Combative Sports Medicine Manual Summary

- As presented by Chair

## 10. Pure Power Wrestling Report (September 16/23)

- As received by the Commission

## 11. Upcoming Events

- a) Branded Fighting Series – Servus (Soccer) Centre (September 30/23)
- b) Pure Power Wrestling – ENMAX Centre (October 7/23)
- c) Rumble in the Cage 66 – Exhibition Park Agri Food Hub (October 14/23)

## 12. Other Business

- a) Pregnancy Testing
  - a. Current issue with female fighters complying with the required pregnancy test processes defined in rules and regulations
  - b. Wording in the rules and regulations should be adjusted to be more specific, and include options of binging in doctor approved test/ notice, or performing onsite testing at the discretion of onsite doctor during weigh-in

DIRECTION: B Jeannotte to change wording in rules and regulations

### **MOTION – B Stephenson/G Rhodenizer**

TO amend working in section 5.13.C of Lethbridge Combative Sports Commission Rules and Regulations to specify pregnancy test requirements.

----- **CARRIED**

- b) Commission Applications
  - a. Lethbridge Combative Sports Commission is currently accepting applications for board members
  - b. Designated selection committee to review applications October 4, 2023
- c) Volunteer Recruitment

- a. Proposal to approach local high schools to recruit volunteers to assist with events, as well as giving the student an opportunity to fulfill optional volunteer experience credits
- b. Waiver would have to be considered for any minor volunteers
- c. Efforts may be more successful by approaching individual school athletic directors and/or vice principal
- d. Item tabled to future date

## 16. Date of Next Meeting

- Next Commission Meeting
  - October 25, 2023 | 5:30pm | City Hall, Rm 333 Mitch Ball Room

## 18. Adjournment

### **MOTION – D McFalls/ G Rhodenizer**

THAT the meeting is adjourned at 7:25pm.

----- **CARRIED**