

**BOXING, MARTIAL ARTS, AND
PROFESSIONAL WRESTLING ADVISORY BOARD REGULATORY REVIEW
MEETING MINUTES**

A regulatory review meeting was held on January 19, 2023, at the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation, 9960 Mayland Drive, Richmond, Virginia, with the following members present:

Daniel Hardy, M.D. (Citizen)
Leah Jackman (Martial Arts)
Travis Lee, M.D. (Boxing)
Delvis McCadden (Boxing)
Brandon Metheny (Wrestling)
Charles Pinto (Citizen)
Mark D'Attilio (Former Boxing Board Member)

Demetrious J. Melis, Director, Kishore Thota, Chief Deputy Director, and Board member Scott Howard (Martial Arts) were not present for the meeting with regrets.

Staff present for all or part of the meeting was:

Steve Kirschner, LRPD Deputy Director
Kathleen R. (Kate) Nosbisch, Executive Director
Bonnie Davis, Regulatory Operations Administrator

Josh Laws, Assistant Attorney General was present from the Office of the Attorney General.

Mr. McCadden, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Call to Order

Ms. Davis advised the Board of the emergency evacuation procedures.

**Emergency
Evacuation
Procedures**

Ms. Nobisch advised the Board Senate Bill 1480 (SB1480) is an Agency Bill which repeals certain provisions of the Code.

Announcements

Dr. Hardy and Mr. Metheny arrived at the meeting at 10:04 a.m.

**Arrival of Board
Members**

Ms. Jackman moved to approve the agenda. Dr. Lee seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by members: Hardy, Jackman, Lee, McCadden, Metheny, and Pinto.

Approval of Agenda

There was no public comment.

**Public Comment
Period**

The Board discussed smokers and exhibitions. If a boxing, MMA, or Muay Thai event is not sanctioned, there are safety implications. Smokers do not have a physician on site, nor do they require blood tests. When a boxing, Muay Thai or MMA event charges an admission, the impression is that the event has been sanctioned or is being regulated by the Board. The Board requested staff contact the promoter and provide more information at the next meeting on February 15, 2023.

Smokers

The Board continued a line-by-line review of the boxing regulations using the Regulatory Review Matrix Flowchart in order to determine the relevance of each regulation. During the review, the Board began with 18VAC120-41-130. Discussions took place regarding protecting boxers, boxers contracts, weights of boxers. The Board requested staff to provide information on allowed weight differential in other states. The information will be placed on the February 15th meeting agenda for review.

Regulatory Review

The Board took a recess from 11:43 a.m. to 12:04 p.m.

Recess

Mr. Kirschner arrived to the meeting at 12:33 p.m.

Arrival of Staff

Mr. Laws left the meeting at 1:00 p.m. and Dr. Hardy left the meeting at 1:40 p.m.

Departure of Board Members and Staff

The Board continued reviewing the regulations. Ms. Nosbisch informed the Board that at the next Regulatory Review meeting on February 15, 2023, the Board will continue with regulatory review starting with 18VAC120-41-200.

Regulatory Review Continued

Ms. Jackman discussed the changes in costs of mixed martial arts and boxing events to promoters. Ms. Nobisch stated Board member Howard also expressed concern via email regarding cost to promoters. Ms. Nobisch informed the Board that the fee structure for officials would be revisited at the end of 2023.

Other Business

Conflict of Interest and travel forms were completed by all board members present.

Conflict of Interest Forms and Travel Vouchers

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

Adjourn



Delvis McCadden, Chair



Demetrios Melis, Secretary

**STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
CONFLICT OF INTERESTS ACT**

TRANSACTIONAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
for Officers and Employees of State Government

- 1. Name: Leah Jackman
- 2. Title: Board Member
- 3. Agency: Boxing, Martial Arts, and Professional Wrestling Advisory Board
- 4. Meeting/IFF Date: Regulatory Review Meeting January 19, 2023

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Nature of Personal Interest Affected by Transaction:

I declare that I am a member of the following business, profession, occupation or group, the members of which are affected by the transaction:

I am able to participate in this transaction fairly, objectively, and in the public interest.


or

I did not participate in the transaction.

6. I **do not** have a personal interest in any transactions taken at this meeting.



Signature



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1. Name: Brandon Metheny
2. Title: Board Member
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1. Name: Mark D'Attilio
2. Title: Former Board Member
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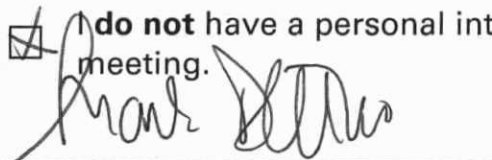
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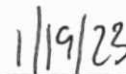
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1. Name: Dr. Travis Lee
2. Title: Board Member
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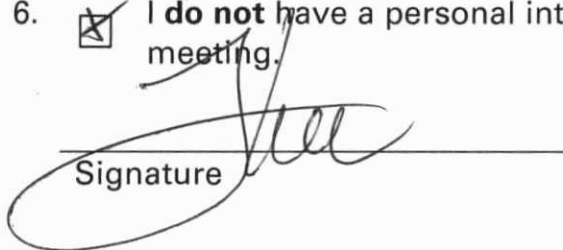
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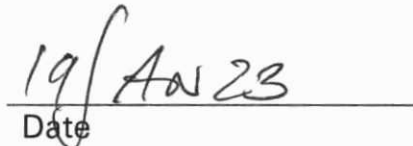
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1. Name: Dr. Daniel M. Hardy
2. Title: Board Member
3. Agency: Boxing, Martial Arts, and Professional Wrestling
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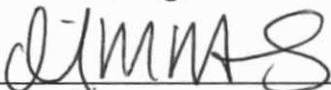
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