

MINUTES

South Carolina Athletic Commission

Tuesday, May 22, 2012 10:00 a.m.

Conference Call

Synergy Business Park, Kingtree Building, Conference Room 105

110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210

1. Meeting Called to Order:

Alan Wells, Chair, called the Conference call meeting of the South Carolina Athletic Commission to order at 10:00 a.m. Mr. Wells announced that public notice of this meeting was properly posted at the S.C. Athletic Commission Office, Synergy Business Park, Kingtree Building, and provided to all requesting persons, organizations, and news media in compliance with Section 30-4-80 of the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act.

2. Introduction of Board Members:

Commission members present in this meeting included:

Alan Wells, Chair – 4th Congressional District

Pamela Shealy – At-Large Member

William Boyte – 2nd Congressional District

Commission members participating via phone included:

Steven Dean – 6th Congressional District

James Phillips – At-Large Physician

Ed Lawson – 1st Congressional District

Clyde Jones – 5th Congressional District

Staff members participating during the meeting included Tracey McCarley, Administrator; Sheridan Spoon and Dean Grigg, General Counsel; Glenn Frick; Larry Hall; Wanda Cooke, Administrative Assistant.

Absences:

Anthony “Tony” Eubanks – 3rd Congressional District

3. Approval/Disapproval of Commission Member Absences

MOTION:

Mr. Dean made a motion to approve absences. Mr. Boyte seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

4. Application Hearings:

- a. Application Hearing for **John Juarez**, requesting a license as an over-aged Professional Mixed Martial Arts Fighter. Mr. Andrew Stokes appeared before the Commission on behalf of applicant. Mr. Stokes presented the Commission with a brief video. Discussion ensued.
- b. Application Hearing for **Jonny Dunn**, requesting a license as an over-aged amateur Mixed Martial Arts Fighter. Mr. Andrew Stokes appeared before the Commission on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Stokes presented the Commission with a brief video. Discussion ensued.

MOTION:

Mr. Boyte made a motion to enter into executive session. Ms. Shealy seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

MOTION:

Mr. Boyte made a motion to return to public session. Ms. Shealy seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

MOTION:

Mr. Boyte made a motion to approve the application of **John Juarez**. Mr. Dean seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

MOTION:

Ms. Shealy made a motion to approve the application of **Jonny Dunn**. Mr. Boyte seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

5. New Business

Request from Mr. Andrew Stokes regarding Mixed Martial Arts Sanctioning. Mr. Stokes addressed the Commission requesting that the South Carolina Athletic Commission be the sanctioning body at an upcoming event on May 26, 2012, in Charleston, SC. Discussion ensued.

MOTION:

Ms. Shealy made a motion to amend the May 2, 2012 motion, “to approve the South Carolina Athletic Commission as the sanctioning body for MMA, effective June 1, 2012”, to read “to approve the South Carolina Athletic Commission as the sanctioning body for MMA, effective May 22, 2012, excluding events currently under contract.” Mr. Jones seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

7. Announcements:

NONE

6. Adjournment:

MOTION:

Mr. Boyte made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Jones seconded the motion which carried unanimously. The meeting of the Athletic Commission adjourned at 10:45 am.