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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

South Carolina Athletic Commission – May 14, 2024

Synergy Business Park – Kingstree Building – 110 Centerview Dr, Columbia, SC 29210

Upstate Conference Room

Commission Members Present:

Edwin “Mac” Estridge – Chairman
Dr. Jon Lucas – Member
Coleman Bates – Member
Dr. Paul “Hamp” Kennemore – Member (phone-in)

LLR Staff Members Present:

Jon Hollingsworth – Board Executive
Robert Horner, Esquire – Advice Counsel
Erin Baldwin, Esquire – Office of Disciplinary Council
Robbie Dean – Office of Investigations and Enforcement

Meeting Called to Order:

Edwin M. Estridge called the meeting to order at 8:44 AM. Mr. Estridge announced that public noticed of this meeting was properly posted at the South Carolina Athletic Commission office, Synergy Business Park, Kingstree 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.

Approval of Agenda:

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Coleman Bates and seconded by Dr. Jon Lucas. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Absences:

A motion to approve the absence of Dr. Garrick Benson Messer was made by Dr. Lucas and seconded by Mr. Bates. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes:

A motion to approve the minutes for February 14, April 5, April 19, and April 26 of 2024 was made by Mr. Coleman and seconded by Dr. Lucas. Motion carried.

Administrator’s Remarks:

- **Budget Update:** Mr. Hollingsworth reported that the current account balance for the Commission is \$-57,558.58



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- **OIE Report:** Mr. Dean reported there have been four (4) cases this year – two (2) are active, one (1) has been closed, and one (1) is pending IRC.
- **ODC Report:** Mrs. Baldwin reported there are three (3) open cases – two (2) are pending Hearings and Agreements.
- **IRC Report:** None

NEW BUSINESS

1. Paul Teague addressed the Commission to appeal an Administrative Suspension ordered on April 10, 2024 in regard to Professional Mixed Martial Arts, License # 10255. Motion for executive session for legal advice; motion carried. Motion to return to open session; motion carried.

Mr. Estridge motioned to lift the Administrative Suspension placed on License #10255, with stipulation that Mr. Teague only participate in the retirement fight on Union, South Carolina anticipated to take place in August 2024 – if Mr. Teague participates in any other fight, the license will face Indefinite Suspension. The motion was seconded by Dr. Lucas. Motion carried.

Adjournment:

Dr. Lucas motioned to adjourn and was seconded by Mr. Estridge; motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:10 AM.