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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

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South Carolina Athletic Commission – May 23, 2024

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

Webex/Teleconference

Commission Members Present:

Edwin “Mac” Estridge – Chairman
Dr. Jon Lucas – Member
Coleman Bates – Member

LLR Staff Members Present:

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

Meeting Called to Order:

Edwin M. Estridge called the meeting to order at 10:45 A.M. 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 Dr. Jon Lucas and seconded by Mr. Coleman Bates.

Approval of Absences:

A motion to approve the absence of Dr. Garrick Benson Messer and Dr. Paul “Hamp” Kennemore was made by Mr. Coleman and seconded by Dr. Lucas.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Appeal of Decision: Iler Bakhtier Uulu.

Jon Hollingsworth presented details of the matter at hand involving a disqualification for knee to the head of a grounded opponent during Conflict MMA #61, on April 27, 2024. The two combatants were Iler Bakhtier Uulu and Charleston Pou Mr. Hollingsworth cited Section 20–27.06.(D)(15) of SCAC Regulations, and 11(F) of ABC’s Unified Rules of Professional Kickboxing, as it pertains to a grounded opponent. Representatives from LCA Sports Management were present to appeal the disqualification on the grounds that the opponent was not grounded at the time of the strike.

Chairman Estridge made a motion to enter executive session at 11:07 A.M., and was seconded by Dr. Lucas. Motion carried. Mr. Coleman made a motion to return to public session at 11:19 A.M. and was seconded by Dr. Lucas. Motion carried.

As it pertains to the April 27th disqualification, Dr. Lucas made a motion to grant the appeal. The motioned was seconded by Mr. Bates. The motion carried.

Adjournment:

Dr. Lucas made a motion to adjourn, and was seconded by Chairman Estridge. Motion carried. The meeting concluded at 11:22 A.M.