

Minutes

South Carolina Athletic Commission

Wednesday, March 16, 2016 at 11:30 a.m.

Synergy Business Park, Kingtree Building, Conference Room 204

110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Meeting Called to Order:

Pam Shealy, Chair, called the meeting of the South Carolina Athletic Commission to order at 11:30 a.m. Ms. Shealy 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.

Introduction of Board Members:

Commission members present at this meeting included:

Pamela Shealy - Chair - At-Large Member

Commission members present at this meeting via teleconference included:

William McCullough - Vice-Chair - 1st Congressional District

Edwin Estridge - 2nd Congressional District

Derek Shoemake - 5th Congressional District

Staff members participating during the meeting included: Diana Williams, Athletic Commission Administrator; Hardwick Stuart, Advice Council; Natalye Jackson, Administrative Assistant; Ty'Yona Schofield, Administrative Assistant Real Estate Appraisers Board.

MOTION:

Mr. McCullough made the motion to approve the absences of the Commission members not on the conference call (Dr. James W. Phillips, Paul H. Kennemore and James D. Vaught). Mr. Shoemake seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Approval of Agenda

MOTION:

Mr. Shoemake made a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Estridge seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Age Waiver Hearing - MMA

Pamela Shealy called the application hearing to order regarding whether Mr. Eddie Miller should be granted age restriction waiver to participate in mixed martial arts events for the remainder of the 2016 licensure period. Discussion ensued.

MOTION:

Mr. McCullough made the motion to grant Mr. Eddie Miller an age restriction waiver for the remainder of the 2016 licensure period. Mr. Shoemake seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Public Comments

Corey Goodwin, member of the public, appeared before the Commission to ask that he be added to the agenda as emergency item regarding an event he was involved in on August 8, 2015.

Executive Session

MOTION:

Mr. McCullough made the motion to enter Executive Session to obtain legal advice. Mr. Estridge seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

MOTION:

Mr. Estridge made the motion to return to Public Session. Mr. McCullough seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

MOTION:

Mr. Shoemaker made the motion not to amend the agenda to allow the issue presented by Mr. Goodwin as an emergency item as the appearance of a true emergency did not seem to exist in regards to this issue. However, staff will coordinate a public notice meeting before the next quarterly Commission meeting in May to address the concerns. Mr. McCullough seconded this motion which carried unanimously.

Public Comments

Mr. Goodwin addressed the Commission regarding public access to Commission members. Discussion ensued. Angela Gary also addressed the Commission regarding fees and being placed on the agenda for the next quarterly meeting.

Adjournment

MOTION:

Mr. Estridge made the motion to adjourn the Commission meeting. Mr. Shoemake seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

The next quarterly meeting of the South Carolina Athletic Commission is scheduled for May 3, 2015 in room 204.