

Meeting Minutes
SOUTH DAKOTA ATHLETIC COMMISSION
Via Teleconference
January 15, 2021 12:00 p.m. CST

Vice Chairman Lohff called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m. Stalley called the roll. A quorum was present.

Members Present via Telephone: Mike Kilmer, Lee Lohff, Margaret Gillespie, Richard Little and Verle Valentine

Members Absent: None

Others Present via Telephone: Jennifer Stalley, executive secretary, and Amber Mulder, Department of Labor Legal Counsel

Gillespie made a motion to approve the agenda. Little seconded the motion. The Commission voted by roll call. Kilmer, Gillespie and Little voted aye. Lohff and Valentine were absent. **MOTION PASSED.**

Kilmer asked for any public comments. There were no comments offered.

Gillespie made a motion to approve the October 2, 2020 commission meeting minutes. Valentine seconded the motion. The Commission voted by roll call. Kilmer, Lohff, Gillespie, Little, and Valentine voted aye. **MOTION PASSED.**

Lohff made a motion to approve the October 2, 2020 public rules hearing minutes. Valentine seconded the motion. The Commission voted by roll call. Kilmer, Lohff, Gillespie, Little, and Valentine voted aye. **MOTION PASSED.**

Lohff made a motion to accept the December 31, 2020 financial report. Little seconded the motion. The Commission voted by roll call. Kilmer, Lohff, Gillespie, Little and Valentine voted aye. **MOTION PASSED.**

Valentine made a motion to adopt a policy to delegate to the Commission chairman the authority to approve additional events for a licensed promoter who already held an approved event in the same calendar year, for a similar event, under the same conditions imposed by the Commission for the original approved event, provided the licensed promoter complies with the submission timeline of ARSD 20:81:01:03. Lohff seconded the motion. The Commission voted by roll call. Kilmer, Lohff, Gillespie, Little and Valentine voted aye. **MOTION PASSED.**

The Commission received an update on COVID-19. No changes to the Commission's policy of requiring compliance with the Centers for Disease Control measures related to COVID-19 for competitors and attendees were proposed.

Valentine made a motion to approve an event request by Legacy Fighting Alliance for a mixed martial arts event to be held on date to be determined, in Sioux Falls, South Dakota on the condition the promoter is properly licensed, the promoter follows the operations plan followed for events hosted by the promoter in 2020; the promoter follows the Centers for Disease Control's guidance with regard to

social distancing for any attendees and athlete recovery in the event of a positive COVID-19 test for the event; COVID-19 testing for Commission officials and representatives is provided to the Commission at the promoter's expense for the event; and the promoter complies with all the rules, regulations and deadlines of the Commission for the event. Little seconded the motion. The Commission voted by roll call. Kilmer, Lohff, Gillespie, Little and Valentine voted aye. **MOTION PASSED.**

The Commission discussed the implications of the legalization of medical marijuana and recreational marijuana. The Commission asked Stalley to provide more information on the subject at the next meeting.

The Commission discussed the implications of the legalization of sports betting. The Commission asked Stalley to provide more information on the subject at the next meeting.

Kilmer noted the executive session noticed on the agenda was not necessary.

Kilmer noted the next Commission meeting is scheduled for April 16, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. via teleconference.

Lohff made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:08 p.m. Little seconded the motion. The Commission voted by roll call. Kilmer, Lohff, Gillespie, Little and Valentine voted aye. **MOTION PASSED.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard Little, Secretary