

Meeting Minutes
SOUTH DAKOTA ATHLETIC COMMISSION
Via Teleconference
July 9, 2021 12:00 p.m. CDT

Chairman Kilmer called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m. A quorum was present.

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

Others Present via Telephone: Jennifer Stalley, executive secretary; Karen Cudmore, administrative assistant; and Amber Mulder, Department of Labor, Legal Counsel

Lohff made a motion to approve the agenda. Valentine seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED.**

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

Lohff made a motion to approve the April 20, 2021 commission meeting minutes. Valentine seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED.**

Lohff made a motion to accept the financial report as of June 29, 2021. Little seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED.**

Lohff made a motion to go into executive session for the purposes of consulting with legal counsel regarding proposed or pending litigation at 12:10 pm. Valentine seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED.**

Kilmer declared the Commission out of executive session at 1:00 pm.

Stalley gave an update on previously approved events. MMA 2021-01 and MMA 2021-02 events took place in Sioux Falls and are completed. MMA 2021-03 has not been rescheduled by the promoter. MMA 2021-04 has been rescheduled for September 18, 2021 in Watertown. MMA 2021-05 has been rescheduled for October 23, 2021. BOX 2021-06 has not been confirmed by the promoter.

Stalley updated the Commission on changes to sports betting laws and rules. The South Dakota Gaming Commission is considering rules for sports betting and is expected to allow sports betting beginning some time in September. The proposed rules do not directly impact the Commission.

Stalley updated the Commission on the medical and recreational laws and rules. Developing rules and interpreting the passed laws for both areas of marijuana continue to take place. No change in law impacting the Commission's marijuana requirements have taken effect. Marijuana remains a prohibited substance by the Commission.

The Commission discussed its COVID testing policies. No changes were made to the policy.

Gillespie made a motion to approve an event request by Bellator Sport Worldwide for a mixed martial arts event to be held on August 20, 2021, in Sioux Falls, South Dakota on the condition the promoter is properly licensed; the promoter follows the Commission's COVID-19 testing policy; 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. **MOTION PASSED.**

Valentine made a motion to change the result of the Davis v. Powell bout held on May 14, 2021 from a win for Davis to a No Decision result. Little seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED.** Kilmer was recused.

Kilmer noted the next Commission meeting is scheduled for October 15, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. via teleconference.

Little made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:12 pm. Gillespie seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard Little, Secretary