

Monday, April 15, 2024

5:36 PM

In Attendance:

- Travis Grindle
- Jennie Sudo
- Bryan Jeannotte
- Geoff Rhodenizer
- John James
- Brad Stephenson
- Jorgen Thompson
- JC Penny
- Chris Stodolka

Regrets:**1. Welcome - Acknowledgement**

- Call to order - 5:36 PM

2. Approval of Agenda**MOTION –JC Penny/ John James**

THAT the meeting agenda be approved as amended.

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3. Approval of the Minutes (March 12/24)**MOTION –G Rhodenizer/ JC Penny**

THAT the meeting minutes from March 12, 2024 be approved as presented.

----- CARRIED

4. Branded Fighting Championship

- General Discussion:
 - Volunteers arrived to event within 1 hour of event start time. It is imperative that volunteers arrive minimum 1 hour before event start time, in order to attend pre-event orientation.
 - For added efficiency, volunteers should be assigned to specific dressing rooms and fighters, in order to ensure no rooms are left empty for long periods of time and access points are not left uncovered.
 - Suggested that Commission Chair rove during event, filling in any required volunteer positions, when possible.
 - IN CAMERA
 - a) Event Report- FOIP Section# 18 (Harmful to individual or public safety)
 - b) Incident Report & Addendum- FOIP Section# 23 (Local public body confidences)CLOSED
 - DIRECTION: B Jeannotte; Notification to participant via mail/letter for Lethbridge Combative Sports Commission hearing, where incident outcome/follow up to be determined. Hearing is to be scheduled with May 2024 general monthly meeting.

5. Rumble in the Cage Inquiries (March 12/24)

- General Discussion:
 - Inquiries presented during March 12 regular monthly meeting by L Mein
 - a) High Risk Fighters
 - Information/research from fellow Commissions presented by Chair

- Lethbridge Combative Sports Commission will continue with current High Risk Fighter rules & regulations
- b) Weight Classes
 - Inquirer has been notified there is an opportunity to submit proposed weight class rule set with each event application.
 - Lethbridge Combative Sports Commission will continue with current Weight Classes contained in rules & regulations.
- c) Licensing of Fighters
 - General Discussion:
 - For further discussion and consideration
 - 2018 research project found with useful reference materials
 - Instances of other North American Commissions licensing fighters
 - Licensing for fighters only vs fighters and coaches
 - Suggested Licensing Parameters:
 - License term – calendar year – valid January-December
 - \$10 annual fee for local/regional fighters
 - \$25 licensing fee for fighters outside local/regional
 - DIRECTION: T Grindle to continue with further research for discussion at future meeting
- d) Lethbridge- Travelling Commission
 - After previous discussions with City Clerk's Office, in part due to Municipal Government Act (MGA) and liability logistics, option for Travelling Commission is not viable at this time.

6. Permit Application Inquiry (T Fiddler)

- General Discussion:
 - Slap Fighting Inquiry
 - Information requests received. Commission has replied requesting officially proposed rule set.
 - No further communication received at this time.

7. Dressing Room Inspectors Guide & Report

- General Discussion:
 - Working document content has been updated
 - DIRECTION: J Sudo to format and print 20 copies for all members & volunteers

8. Pulse Rush Productions – Pro Wrestling Event (May 30/24)

- Event (Highway Hysteria) taking place at Agri Food Hub.
- Continuing communications between promoter and Commission Chair/ City Representatives to ensure proper application and required documentation is submitted.

9. World Association of Kickboxing Organization (WAKO)

- General Discussion:
 - Email request received from WAKO to be officially recognized/sanctioned.
 - DIRECTION: B Jeannotte to respond declining invitation.

10. Association of Boxing Commissions (ABC) – MMA Rule Change

- California Commission is looking to reword head kick related rule(s). Consideration for change in July's conference.
- Outcome from decision made in July's conference will determine if Lethbridge Combative Sports Commission rules & regulations will require any changes.

11. SharePoint Access

- Item tabled for review and discussion at future meeting

12. Provincial Group Meeting Report (March 13/24)

- As Received.

13. Pure Power Wrestling Report (April 6/24)

- As Received.

14. Upcoming Events

- Rumble in the Cage 67 – Servus Soccer Centre (April 20, 2024)
- Pure Power Wrestling – Fritz Sick Centre (May 4, 2024)

15. Other Business

- New Floor Plan – RITC 67
 - New floor plan proposed by promoter.
 - Logistics discussed as part of event pre-planning.

16. Date of Next Meeting

- Next Commission Meeting
 - May 13, 2024 | 5:30pm | Mitch Ball Room – Room 333, City Hall, 3rd Floor

17. Adjournment

MOTION – JC Penny/J Thompson

THAT the meeting is adjourned at 8:03 pm.

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