

USA Boxing – New England

Board of Directors

Conference Call

Thursday, November 3, 2016

Members present: Jim Perella/President, Kevin Hope/Vice President, Joni Cochrane/Treasurer, Steve Clark/Chief of Officials, Gregory Leschishin/Secretary, Laurie Purcell/Registration Chairperson, James Perella, Jr/Athlete Representative and Rashida Ellis/Athlete Representative.

The meeting was called to order at 8:11 pm with a roll call of all the Board. Gratitude was expressed by all but especially directed to the new athlete representatives and the reappointed Registration Chairperson, Laurie Purcell.

The first item mentioned was the opportunity offered to New England to attend the national boxing tournament to be held in Kansas next month (December 4-11th). Jim stated that there were four coaches to go along with the 14 qualifying boxers. Jim mentioned that prices in detail included staying at a hotel for \$60/night. After a brief discussion, a **motion** was made by Jim (seconded by Laurie) to send four coaches...with 2 to 3 more to cover all the youth and senior boxers competing. Motion passed unanimously.

Jim then made a motion (seconded by Joni) to allow \$30/day as a stipend for dining. Any money not utilized (such as a boxer who is disqualified earlier in the tournament and decides to go home) would be returned to our treasury. Motion passed unanimously.

Another motion by Jim (seconded by Kevin) was made to have one vehicle be made available for transportation and assigned to a responsible driver during the boxing tournament. Motion passed unanimously.

Additional discussions and recommendations were made including:

- Mandatory physicals and its accompanying paperwork are becoming cumbersome for the registration workers, especially at events. A suggestion was made to create some sort of sticker to be applied to a passbook to clearly identify a boxer as having proper medical credentials;
- A motion was made by Jim (seconded by Steve) to have three additional committee people to assist in developing our amateur program including an Elite Coordinator, Youth/Junior Coordinator and a Tournament Coordinator. This group would work together to create and make recommendations to the Board of Directors and the Board of Governors. Motion passed unanimously;
- Jim made a motion (seconded by Laurie) to have the option of a \$20 stipend be available to any official who requests it for the two upcoming Silver Gloves Tournament shows on November 5 and 12th;

- There was a lengthy discussion involving the sanctioning of shows and the process of whom should be contacted on the Board;

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- It was also recommended that officials be paid \$35 as a stipend for club shows and \$50 for third party shows;
- It was recommended to contact member Melissa Kelly to develop a more aggressive and easier access to our current web site, per her request;

An agenda will be developed for the next Board of Governors meeting scheduled for Sunday, November 13th in Dedham. The Board of Directors will have a conference call Thursday, November 10th at 8 pm. A motion by Jim to conclude the meeting was made (seconded by Kevin) and passed unanimously at 10:44pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory Leschishin

Secretary, USA Boxing –New England

November 10, 2016