

COMBAT SPORTS AUTHORITY OF MAINE

Minutes of July 9, 2024 Virtual Meeting

Call to Order: Chris Guild called the Meeting to Order at 5:01 pm

Members Present:

Chris Guild
Misty Guild
Steve Wallace
John Leavitt

Others Present:

Nick DiSalvo of New England Fights, LLC
Matt Peterson of New England Fights, LLC
James Bowie AAG

June Minutes: Motion to accept by Steve Wallace. 2nd by John Leavitt. All in favor by verbal vote.

Treasurer's Report: Current Balance - \$18,044.58 . Motion to accept the Treasurers report made by Misty Guild 2nd by John Leavitt . All in favor by verbal vote.

Current Business:

Communications with AAG Bowie:

Complaint Officer Report: No complaints at this point.

Old Business:

Review of NEF 58 June 29: Well matched fights. Fights went well. Checkins went pretty smoothly with a small card. There were a few issues with the number of inspectors. Even though there were fewer fights, it is still important to have 10 inspectors.

Review of Banner Promotions June 15: 2500-3000 tickets sold. Fights went well. Inspectors worked out well. Promoter would like to hold another event in the future.

New Business:

CSAM Elections: Chris Guild nominates Steve Wallace for treasurer. Steve Wallace accepts. 2nd by John Leavitt. All in favor by verbal vote. Chris will meet with Steve to transfer documentation. Chris questioned the procedure for transferring to another bank if it is more convenient for Steve. Steve Wallace nominates John Leavitt as Complaint Officer. John Leavitt accepts. 2nd by Chris Guild. All in favor by verbal vote. John Leavitt nominates Misty Guild as secretary. Misty accepts. 2nd by Chris Guild. All in favor by verbal vote. Misty Guild nominates Chris Guild as chairman. Chris accepts. 2nd by John Leavitt. All in favor by verbal vote.

New Events: NEF 59 Saturday, September 7 at Aura. At this point weigh ins will be 11 am.

New Members: We are currently at a standstill for adding new members. Adding kickboxing and Muay Thai will really require us to fill those open positions on the Authority. We need to find out who currently handles appointments under Governor Mills. John Leavitt will get us information.

From the Board: We do not currently have the CSAM phone and we are having a difficult time paying the bill/transferring the information. Chris has reached out to Verizon once again.

We do have an ID card printer and can potentially print ID cards once again.

Things to consider- adding members and having someone designated to work with/coordinate inspectors.

Training for inspectors continues to be a must do.

The next show will be the time for everyone to license once again. There were very few people who licensed at the show in June. The online links are really helping with the paperwork that needs to be done at/after the fights. It's helping with Federal IDs as well.

Chris sent out the proposed ABC kickboxing rules to everyone to look at. There is a rule change proposal from ABC considering downed fighters. The meeting regarding these rules is being held next week. Once these rules are adopted, we will forward the changes on to AAG James Bowie.

Steve Wallace asked if there is the possibility of combining all of our documents into one (Boxing/MMA/Muay Thai/Kickboxing) all following the Unified Rules. The majority of our 4 documents are identical. The only differences are dealing with the specific sport. It may make sense to make one document with addendums regarding each specific set of rules to help alleviate some of the cost. We will sit down and determine what is the same and what is different among the documents.

From the Floor: Matt Peterson mentioned a comment made at the last work session where it was asked what needs to be done to make this easier so that we are not having to go through this whole process each time we need to change something.

Nick DiSalvo shared documents from NH showing how they reference Unified Rules regarding all boxing competitions.

Nick DiSalvo asked if there was anything new regarding kickboxing/Muay Thai since the last update. AAG James Bowie reported he is going to file the Regulatory Agenda asap.

Next meeting is scheduled for August 12. Steve Wallace made a motion to adjourn at 5:56 2nd by John Leavitt. Authority members present verbally voted 4-0 at 5:56 p.m. to adjourn.