

COMBAT SPORTS AUTHORITY OF MAINE

Minutes of September 15, 2025 Virtual Meeting

Call to Order: Chris Guild called the Meeting to Order at 5:03 pm

Members Present:

Chris Guild
Misty Guild
John Leavitt
Jon Pinette
Darcie Kent
Nicholas Gulliver

Others Present:

Nick DiSalvo of New England Fights, LLC
Matt Peterson of New England Fights, LLC
Randy Dow AAG

Updates from AAG:

The Muay Thai rules have been transitioned to AAG Dow. He is researching the next steps regarding the need for public meeting. He will be in touch with updates as he receives them.

Secretary's Report:

Approval of August 4 Minutes: John Leavitt made a motion to accept the minutes. 2nd by Jon Pinette.

Roll Call Vote: Jon Pinette: yes Darcie Kent: yes Nicholas Gulliver: yes Chris Guild: yes Misty Guild: yes John Leavitt: yes

Approval of August 8 Minutes: Jon Pinette made a motion to accept the minutes. 2nd by John Leavitt

Roll Call Vote: Jon Pinette: yes Darcie Kent: yes Nicholas Gulliver: yes Chris Guild: yes Misty Guild: yes John Leavitt: yes

Treasurer's Report: Current balance is \$35,733.08. Steve Wallace raised concerns regarding payment of inspectors. Chairman Guild tabled this item until Steve Wallace is available as it pertains to money.

Jon Pinette made a motion to accept the report. 2nd by John Leavitt.

Roll Call Vote: Jon Pinette: yes Darcie Kent: yes Nicholas Gulliver: yes Chris Guild: yes Misty Guild: yes John Leavitt: yes

Old Business:

Muay Thai Rule Making Update: The Muay Thai rules have been transitioned to AAG Dow. He is researching the next steps regarding the need for public meeting. He will be in touch with updates as he receives them, but believes we can just publish them for public comment.

NEF Cruel Summer Review: Feedback from Darcie Kent- a good event, excited to see kickboxing grow. As a concern- corners coming cage side and taking empty seats. Is there a way to control the number of people who are coming out vs those who are actively cornering. There is also concern over searching bags when the fighters enter- usually done by venue security, but in this instance there was no real venue security.

From Jon Pinette: After the fights are over- is there something we can do to prevent people from entering the cage post fight. Post fight- UFC doesn't allow the photo ops etc- it's just easier to say no across the board instead of having to make decisions. Eliminates the grey area.

From Chris Guild: 20+ fights, a new venue, kickboxing for the first time and it got HOT. We may need clarification on who is in charge of the cage from the end of the fight until the next fight comes.

From Nicholas Gulliver: Wristbands in multiple colors for corners who are cornering multiple fighters? Clearing the post fight pictures etc? Special circumstances-ie retirement etc.

New Business:

NEF Call to Arms 11/8: In Bangor. Jon Pinette made a motion to accept the event application. 2nd by Nicholas Gulliver.

Roll Call Vote: Jon Pinette: yes Darcie Kent: yes Nicholas Gulliver: yes Chris Guild: yes Misty Guild: yes John Leavitt: yes

All-Star Boxing 11/8: At the Expo Building. John Leavitt made a motion to accept the event application. 2nd by Jon Pinette

Roll Call Vote: Jon Pinette: yes Darcie Kent: yes Nicholas Gulliver: yes Chris Guild: yes Misty Guild: yes John Leavitt: yes

NEF Right to Corner Request: NEF sent a request for CSAM to overturn an informal agreement made to prevent Authority members from cornering fighters. This is preventing fighters from competing here in Maine. Matt Peterson spoke about the request and the reason for the request. Misty Guild made a motion to accept the request and allow Jon Pinette to coach his fighters. 2nd by John Leavitt.

Roll Call Vote: Jon Pinette: abstain Darcie Kent: abstain Nicholas Gulliver: yes Chris Guild: yes Misty Guild: yes John Leavitt: yes

Meeting Policy Review: In conversation with AAG Steigelman, it came to light that our policy says we have to have a remote option for meetings. There are times where in person meetings are preferable. In circumstances where Chairman Guild is unavailable, it would be possible to vote to have meetings be in person only- with advance notice- to avoid the necessity for the equipment needed for a remote meeting. We will continue to research this and will be added to an agenda in the future.

Admin Assistance: Chairman Guild shared some information (medicals, website, posting of minutes, etc) but will table this item until Steve Wallace is available as it pertains to money.

Updates From the Floor:

From the Board:

Inspector Shirts and shirts for CSAM Members

Can Authority Members fight? AAG Randy Dow spoke to conflicts of interest and asked for the opportunity to do some research and give some more specific guidance regarding this and potentially the need for a more formal rule making process. Chris Guild will add this item to the agenda for October.

Adjourn:

Next monthly meeting is scheduled for October 6. John Leavitt made a motion to adjourn at 5:44 2nd by Misty Guild.

Roll Call Vote: Jon Pinette: yes Darcie Kent: yes Nicholas Gulliver: yes Chris Guild: yes Misty Guild: yes John Leavitt: yes