

COMBAT SPORTS AUTHORITY OF MAINE

Minutes of December 22, 2025 Virtual Meeting

Call to Order: Chris Guild called the Meeting to Order at 5:02 pm

Members Present:

Chris Guild
Misty Guild
John Leavitt
Nicholas Gulliver
Steve Wallace
Darcie Bassett

Others Present:

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

Katie Baker
Marco Berreondo

Secretary's Report:

Approval of October 6 Minutes: Darcie Bassett made a motion to accept the minutes. 2nd by John Leavitt.

Roll Call Vote: Nicholas Gulliver: yes Chris Guild: yes Misty Guild: yes John Leavitt: yes Steve Wallace: yes Darcie Bassett: yes

Treasurer's Report:

a) **Current balance** is \$42,658.68 is our total balance at the end of November 2025. We received an invoice in the amount of \$1059 for advertising regarding

rule making. One of our invoices was sent to an incorrect address, so that is an outstanding bill that was not sent to the CSAM mailbox.

John Leavitt made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. 2nd by Darcie Bassett.

Roll Call Vote: Nicholas Gulliver: yes Chris Guild: yes Misty Guild: yes John Leavitt: yes Steve Wallace: yes Darcie Bassett: yes

b) Approval of scale purchase: We purchased a second scale for times when we have competing events. Steve Wallace purchased an identical scale to the one we currently have. Since the purchase was greater than \$500, he paid for it out of pocket and is asking for reimbursement for the \$519 for the scale and \$40 for the balancing.

Darcie Bassett made a motion to approve the reimbursement. 2nd by John Leavitt.

Roll Call Vote: Nicholas Gulliver: yes Chris Guild: yes Misty Guild: yes John Leavitt: yes Steve Wallace: yes Darcie Bassett: yes

c) Paying board members: Steve Wallace sent an email regarding paying of board members beginning with January 2025-December 2025 regarding events, meetings, travel, tolls etc.(Hotels and meals need prior approval) The form for expenses was forwarded to all of the members. If we can get forms in in January, we can more accurately close out the year.

Updates from AAG: Finance concerns from before- there has been a change in the accountant and some changes are coming in the methodology of billing. Tim Stiegelman said that we should be able to look at the most recent payment we made and the amount we currently owe should be very similar to what we paid before.

AAG Dow says that the Combat Sports Authority can take over paying the Inspectors. Looking deeper in the rules, it just says that it is the Promotor's job to ensure they are paid-not that they are required to pay them.

a) Freedom of Access Act Training (FOAA): All public boards are required to take this training. AAG Dow presented the information to us. All meetings and records must be accessible for public inspection at any time. The public needs reasonable notice to attend all meetings (reasonable is subjective)

Old Business:

NEF Call to Arms Review: Darcie Bassett shared some concerns.

*Bag checks continue to be a concern- we should be ensuring that athletes all enter through the same door and are having their bags checked.

*Conduct by athletes was another concern. Is it appropriate to suspend an athlete for their conduct? Ie: leaving the locker room with wrapped hands, and lack of respect for the Authority and Inspectors. Conduct by coaches should also adhere to standards. There is a complaint process for anyone who is unhappy with the outcome of an event.

*We should also not be giving bracelets to corners who do not attend the rules meeting, and media passes should be staff, not corners. They do not need to be in the locker room, nor should corners who don't actively corner a fighter. We do not need more people clogging up the locker room.

*Crowd control was a concern with people trying to make decisions and ask for last minute changes. There could be more security within the crowd as there were potential fights in the crowd and people getting cage side that should not have been. *Stand firm on the fact that minors should not be out back and definitely not cornering.

*Feeling out of the loops regarding boxing and the events that are happening in that sport.

Discussion: In the past, we have spoken publicly to the offenders during a meeting and then we can discuss as a board. We can give an administrative suspension if it continues. At future events we will address this to all fighters and corners during the rules meeting (which is a requirement)

PBC All Star Boxing Review: John Leavitt reported it was a great event that was well attended. Great lead inspectors, very well organized, event security was great.

New Business

a) Training Schedule

- 1. Jotform:** Chris will send out the link and will explain how it works
- 2. Square:** During the next weigh-ins, anyone willing can sit at the table and learn how to use square and how that connects to Jotform.
- 3. Box Rec:** Chris will set up a training for everyone to be able to use and have access.
- 4. MMA Reg:** Chris will set up a virtual meeting as he is putting in the results so everyone is aware of how to do that.
- 5. Inspector Training:** John English will do a training for \$1200. *Discussion* There should be a commission member who is the official leader of the inspectors. This will ensure that all inspectors have equal opportunity to work an event. Darcie has volunteered to take on that role. With the inclusion of multiple sports, we will need add more inspectors. Steve Wallace made a motion to appoint Darcie as the lead for inspectors. 2nd by John Leavitt

Roll Call Vote: Nicholas Gulliver: yes Chris Guild: yes Misty Guild: yes John Leavitt: yes Steve Wallace: yes Darcie Bassett: yes

b) NEF Arctic Assault Feb 7th Approval: Chris presented the application for the event on February 7 at the Expo in Portland. Nick Gulliver made a motion to approve the event. 2nd by Steve Wallace.

Roll Call Vote: Nicholas Gulliver: yes Chris Guild: yes Misty Guild: yes John Leavitt: yes Steve Wallace: yes Darcie Bassett: yes

Updates From the Floor: Marco Berreondo spoke regarding the fight on 11/8 in Bangor. It was his Pro Debut, he felt the fight was going well and then there was some illegal contact made by his opponent (a knee to the face/ 12-6 elbows to the back of his head) Marco Berreondo asked the Authority to review the images and video he has from the fight. Chairman Guild directed him to the CSAM website where he can file a formal complaint.

Nick DiSalvo from NEF spoke to the issue with security at the last fights. He clarified that NEF must use the staff that the venue contracts with- it is a venue decision, not a promotion decision. Nick DiSalvo did mention that he has hired additional security for events. He also spoke to the fact that MMA Inspectors are responsible for ensuring that the fighters do not make it into the crowd. If there are any concerns with the first row of spectators and their behavior- that should be brought to the attention of Nick DiSalvo. Chairman Guild asked Nick DiSalvo to update him if he gets any updates regarding event concerns.

From the Board:

Due to the requirement of virtual meetings, when the chairman is unable to attend, the meeting can not happen. Moving forward we will look at other options for projectors/computers etc.

Adjourn:

Next monthly meeting is scheduled for January 12, 2025. Steve Wallace made a motion to adjourn at 6:18 2nd by John Leavitt.

Roll Call Vote: Nicholas Gulliver: yes Chris Guild: yes Misty Guild: yes John Leavitt: yes Steve Wallace: yes Darcie Bassett: yes