

11/07/13

Tennessee  
Athletic Commission  
Minutes

DATE: November 7, 2013

PLACE: Davy Crockett Tower, 1st Floor Conference Room 1B  
500 James Robertson Parkway  
Nashville, TN

PRESENT Commission Members  
Chair Joe Smith, (By Electronic Means)  
Steve Hannah  
Dr. Tanika Pinn  
Melissa Bast

PRESENT Staff Members  
Ed Scudder

Call to Order

Chairman Smith called the meeting to order at 1:10 pm. The following business was transacted.

ROLL CALL

Mr. Mullen called the roll. Four (4) Commission members were present.

Chairman Smith (By electronic means), Dr. Pinn, Commissioner Bast, and Commissioner Hannah were present.

MINUTES

Chairman Smith turns the gavel over to Commissioner Hannah since he is calling in.

Commissioner Bast makes a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Pinn seconds. Motion carries.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS UPDATE Director Mullen reports on recent Sunset Meeting. The Commission is granted one more year. Chairman Smith urges the commission to keep the focus on increasing revenue. We must not blame others for expense issues.

Director Mullen gives a report on recent and upcoming fights.

### LEGAL REPORT

Mr. Scudder reported that there were no legal activities to report. Mr. Scudder recommends that we set a rulemaking hearing in March to set amateur rules. He states that this may expedite the approval of the emergency rules. It is decided that Mr. Scudder will try to set a rulemaking hearing for the same date as the February 27 commission meeting, if the emergency rules pass. Dr. Pinn makes a motion to set February 27 as a rules making hearing. Commissioner Bast seconds. Motions passes.

### OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Bast motions to have the TN Athletic commission recognize KICK and their mma division, UMMAF as sanctioning bodies of Mixed Martial Arts and Kickboxing. Commissioner Pinn seconds. The motion passes

It is decided that a vote on raising the required amount of amateur insurance from \$20,000. to \$25,000. will be postponed until more information is gathered.

### New Business

Commissioner Pinn makes motions elects to raise amateur event permit fees from \$50. to \$250. In rules. Commissioner Bast seconds. The motion carries.

Commissioner Pinn makes a motion to draft legislation to regulate professional wrestling implementing event permit fees, gate fees and broadcasting fees. Commissioners Bast seconds. The motion carries.

The commission asks Commissioner Bast to spearhead the commission's work on pro wrestling legislation.

The 2014 TAC meeting Calender is set for February 27, May 1, August 7 and November 6 at 1:00 p.m.

Dr. Pinn is elected Chair of the Commission for the upcoming year.

Commissioner Bast is elected Cochairman.

There is no more business the meeting is adjourned.

