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#### May 13, 2014 Minutes

The District of Columbia Boxing and Wrestling Commission held its scheduled meeting on Tuesday, May 13, 2014, at 1100 4<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W., 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Conference Room, Washington, D.C. 20024.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bryan Irving at 7:04 p.m. and attendance was taken.

Commission Members Present: Bryan Scottie Irving, Timothy Thomas and Sean Ponder

Commission Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Alfred Grant, Deputy Commissioner, Skip Brown, Commission Administrator, Clifford Cooks, Program Manager of the Occupational and Professional Licensing Division.

Legal Advisor to the Commission: Kia Winston

Staff Members Absent: None.

#### 10 Count In Honor of David Jordan

The Honorary 10 Count for David Jordan was performed Andre Davis. Following, the Chairman and Commission Officials reflected on David Jordan's impact with the Commission. Comments on Mr. Jordan's expertise, command of the regulations and rules, Mr. Jordan providing insightful comments or critiques of assignments and Mr. Jordan being a mentor to many on the Commission Officials was offered. It was agreed that he will be missed.

### Agenda Item: Comments from the Public and Guest Introductions

1. The Chairman congratulated everyone for a job well done during the Golden Boy Event. The event went very well; all should be applauded for their efforts.





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Agenda Item: Minutes

Upon motion duly made by Commissioner Irving and properly seconded by Commissioner Thomas, the Commission unanimously voted to approve the April 8, 2014 minutes.

Agenda Item: Upcoming Events

Commissioner Ponder announced the following upcoming events:

- 1. May 31, 2014 Pro-Boxing: Promoter April Hairston featuring Ty Barnett at the Washington Convention Center
- 2. June 23, 2014 Pro-Wrestling: Promoter WWE at the Verizon Center
- 3. June 28, 2014 Amateur Muy Thay: Promoter: Josef Pearson at the Thurgood Marshall Center for Service
- 4. September 13, 2014 Dr. McKnight Amateur Event
- 5. November 13, 2014 Pro-Boxing: Promoter Ollie Dunlap Fight Night at the Washington Hilton Hotel

Agenda Item: Reinstatement Application

Wayne Smith

Upon motion duly made by Commissioner Irving and properly seconded by Commissioner Thomas, the Commission unanimously voted to approve Mr. Smith's Reinstatement Application.





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### **Agenda Item: Old Business**

Commissioner Thomas announced the following items:

- DC Gym Assessment Status: Tuesday & Thursday: Mr. Grant indicated that he has
  inspected a number of gyms to assess the gyms' conditions and equipment needs. He has
  ordered some equipment and will continue to inspect the gyms until all inspections are
  complete.
- 2. Event DeBriefing; Mr. Brown indicated that there was an officials debriefing, which was very informative and insightful; the practice will continue to ensure that adjustments are made moving forward.

## Agenda Item: New Business

- 1. ABC Convention Travel: Upon motion duly made by Commissioner Irving and properly seconded by Commissioner Thomas, the Commission unanimously approved that the Commissioners and staff attend the annual conference taking place in Clearwater, Florida, the end of July 2014.
- 2. Upcoming Training (Summer and Fall) Mr. Brown indicated that a summer training may be considered for the officials dealing with MMA and Mr. Grant stated that the fall training will deal with boxing. He spoke with Commissioner Melvina Lathan of New York; she will look at her schedule to see what dates in September are available.
  - Additionally, Commission Officials expressed appreciation for the May 3<sup>rd</sup> training; all thought it was a great session. Especially insightful was International Official Larry Hazzard offering his critique of Referee Sharon Sands officiating during the April 19<sup>th</sup> Championship Event; everyone thought that was extremely beneficial.
- 3. Upcoming Amateur Events: The Golden Gloves Regionals are taking place over the next few weeks that lead to the nationals





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### **Agenda Item: Chairman Comments**

Mr. Irving announced that Tammye Jenkins will be the new Chief Judge, and although she was not present, he looks forward to working with her based on their on-going efforts presently.

Additionally, Mr. Irving announced that Steve Rados will be the new Chief of Officials, taking the place of David Jordan. Mr. Irving indicated that he has confidence that Mr. Rados will do an outstanding job. Mr. Rado expressed appreciation for the his selection and that David Jordan had big shoes to fill be he will do his best. There was applause after the remarks.

### Agenda Item: Adjournment

Upon a motion made by Mr. Thomas and seconded by Mr. Irving, the Commission meeting was adjourned at 7:43 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Bryan Irving, Chairperson

Date

Recorder: S. J. Brown

Commission Administrator