

## Michigan L.B.C. Board of Governor's Meeting

November 10, 2019 – Lansing, Michigan

**Call to Order:** Ron called meeting to order at 1:15pm.

**Roll Call of Board of Governors:** Ed announced the 41 voting clubs with a quorum of 13 required. Clubs present were Azteca(Rob), Bob Kerr(Bob), Dinamita(Rene)FWC Berston(Ed), Hamtramck(Ted), Matrix(Carlos), PK Boxing(Brian), Saginaw(Juan), Team Glass(Willie), and Ultimate(Jesse), there was not quorum therefore meeting will be **Board of Director's**.

**Board of Director's Present:** President Ron Cunningham, V.P. Gary Richards, Treasurer Betty Richards, Registration Chair Ed Mosley, COO Scott Dexter.

**Board of Director's Absent:** Secretary Cheri Szendre, Athlete Rep. Sarah Rae Batenburg. Ron asked Scott to take minutes in Cheri's absence.

**Approval of Board of Director's Minutes from Aug. 25:** Ron made motion to accept as presented, Gary second, unanimous approval.

### **Officer's Reports**

**President:** Ron suggested that in his opinion boxing is picking up, few more shows this year, and good representation at national events with Joseph Hicks, Jasmine Hampton, and Morris Young Jr. qualifying for Olympic Trials next month. Plus, Ferris Dixon, from Downtown Boxing, winning J.O. tournament championship in June.

**V.P.:** Gary said he agrees with Ron's report and has nothing more to add.

**Secretary:** no report

**Treasurer:** Betty reports that in "Chase" checking account there is \$45,217.36, plus \$1,205.27 in money market account for current total of \$46,422.63. As of September 30, 2019, there is \$30,009.83 in "Family First" savings account. Current total funds in all accounts are \$76,432.46, which is +\$3,378.91 compared to last year at this time. Except, there are several approved expenses that have not been submitted, such as J.O. approved funds, and several inspector's and supervisor's expense vouchers, that if received and paid will most likely show a negative compared to last year.

Budget for next year cannot be finalized until end of fiscal/calendar year. There is a proposed increase of non-athlete registration fee for 2020 of \$3, and sanction fee \$100. Ed Kendall questioned why waited so long to increase sanction fees if LBC has been losing money with each sanction. Ron answered that the LBC has covered the shortage in past with using money from accounts, but cannot afford to continue doing that.

Rene Muniz asked who votes on this, and Ron said will wait for Governors to vote hoping more clubs show up before end of today's meeting, otherwise board of directors will most likely approve it since quorum has not been met.

Katealia Chambers questioned why \$50 for each inspector and supervisor fee, and should consider less. Ron said new board could consider making the change.

Ed Kendall had concern in regards to athletes receiving approved funds for national tournaments, when actually the club and/or coach paid for the expenses. Ed recommends the board of directors review policy and have funds paid to entity that up fronted the costs, when the athlete did not pay for anything. Ron said new board can consider change.

**Registration Chair:** Ed reported that he received a 30 day restriction for east qualifier boxer. Currently for 2019 there are 957 athletes, 261 non-athletes, for 1218 total registered members, and 54 registered clubs. Rob Wright asked about passbooks that birth certificates are not being certified in passbooks. Ed agreed, and said yes it is not always being completed. Some of his committee is certifying them, and some are not. Ed will address it with committee.

**COO:** Scott reports there are 38 certified officials with 5 in some stage of apprenticeship. There were 25 individuals that attended the workshop on September 14 in St. Johns, which was disappointing considering the clinician was R/J committee clinician. Only a couple coaches attended the workshop.

**Athlete Rep:** no report

### **Director's Reports**

**Detroit G.G.:** Rene stated that the tournament will be April 17-19, 2020, at Bert's.

They recently conducted a coach's clinic for level green with Ted as clinician, and USAB allowed them to give paper exam for last time, with all future exams being done online. Ted was displeased with this, and said he does many clinics, and so many do not have computers to take online exams and watch videos, and now have to travel for taking different level exams, and he asked who is paying for this travel and expense? Ron instructed Ted to voice complaint to USAB, we have nothing to do with the changes that USAB instituted. May 4-9, 2020, in Tulsa will be national GG tournament. Rob Wright asked for dates of Michigan GG, and it was announced West Michigan is 3/14, 3/21, and 3/28.

**Michigan G.G.:** no report

### **Standing Committee Reports and Progress on Assignments**

**J.O.:** no report, there was voiced concern of lack of representation from the chair for several meetings.

**Registration Committee:** no additions per Ed.

**Coaches Committee:** no report

**Tournament Planning Committee:** Ron said Eric McGuire was planning to do an elite and youth State/LBC tournament, but with lack of information from Eric currently, Ron assumes there will not be a tournament. Ted asked about tournament for 15-16yo, and Ron said that is part of reason for State/LBC tournament, but doesn't look like we will have it this year. Ron reported that last year was slight improvement from first year, but participation is still lacking. Joe Kastley asked about past conflicts with schedules and timing of tournament. Ron said there was no conflict he was aware of.

**Rules and Regulations:** Katealia announced the LBC manual with policies and procedures was submitted last year and still waiting to be approved by board of governors.

**Finance Committee:** no additions per Betty.

**Officials Committee:** no additions per Scott.

**Judicial Committee:** no report

**Awards Committee:** Ron selected winners of awards, with the Michigan LBC 2019 "Coach of Year" to Willie Glass, "Dale Grable Official" to Paul Watson, Female Athlete to Zoe Glass, Male Athlete to Morris Young Jr., and a new award "Under 17 Athlete" to Ferris Dixon.

**Scholarship Committee:** Paul announced the 2 winners this year are Zoe Glass and Zahraa Al-Akashi.

**Sr. Athlete Development Fund Committee:** John reported the free USAB sanction for LBC was used by Saginaw Boxing club to host event November 30, 2019, with over 80 boxers currently, and \$500 of proceeds to be used by LBC. John recommends that 3 boxers that qualified for Olympic Trials be given equal amounts of the \$500 to attend (Joe Hicks, Jasmine Hampton, and Morris Young Jr.). The development program is working well with those 3 qualifying for Olympic

trials, but John believes it is important to also send their coaches. He recommends in future they also receive funding to attend the national events along with their boxers, and requests additional funding since finances appear to be stable and positive.

**Old Business:** none

**New Business:** There were still only 10 voting clubs present, 3 short of quorum, so Ron asked for break and perhaps more clubs would show up. After 20 minute break, there still was no quorum and meeting held as directors.

1) The LBC Manual with Policies & Procedures cannot be approved, but the proposed increase in sanction and non-athlete fees was discussed with clubs present. Ron recommends the increase with sanctions be earmarked for J.O. athletes. Clubs present were in favor with the recommendations.

2) John O'Brien proposed allowing individuals to receive sanctions even if not affiliated with club, and charge more for them since it is not supporting a club per say. John suggests the extra amount be escrowed for athlete development. Ron advised that next board should consider this idea.

3) Rob Wright commented that Azteca did submit expense receipts to Eric McGuire for their J.O. athletes, and have not received anything funds.

Ron voiced concern for the 8 J.O. athletes that were approved for funds to attend nationals, but Eric has not submitted any receipts from June. Betty will check with USAB if there is different way to disperse funds without actual receipts, and refer to athlete stipend or another label that is acceptable.

4) Betty made motion to add \$100 to the previous recommendation of \$500 proceed from Nov. 30 Saginaw show, to make even \$200/Olympic qualified athlete, \$600 total, Ron second, unanimous approval.

5) Betty made motion to include Jasmine and Morris eligible to receive up to \$1400 each for expenses to attend Olympic Trials, Ron second, unanimous approval.

6) Gary brought up change in LBC board insurance company that USAB has contracted with. Gary wants to check with USAB to make sure we are still covered for remainder of 2019 year, prior to new contract starting in 2020.

7) Rob Wright announced that he has been in discussion with Scott in regards to providing CPR training for coaches and officials. Rob is approved CPR/AED trainer and is willing to do at no expense, or minimal if individual wishes to have CPR certification card for 2 years. Ron asked Rob to work with Scott in establishing date, times and locations to provide services. Board feels this is excellent idea, and thanked Rob for his willingness.

**Prizes awarded:** There were "Sting" purchased produces that were awarded with drawing numbers from hat. The Grand Prize winner was "Bob Kerr Boxing" for 2020 club membership paid.

**Announcements:** Ron thanked everyone for coming, and hope for better attendance in future.

**Adjournment:** 3:04pm motion by Ron, second by Scott, unanimous approval.