



**Colorado State Boxing Commission**  
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**Minutes of the July 10, 2008**  
**Meeting of the**  
**Colorado State Boxing Commission**

**1560 Broadway, Suite 1500**  
**Denver, Colorado**

This meeting of the Commission was publically noticed according to the Division of Registrations' Policy 80-17.

**I. Call to Order and Recognition of Commissioners Present and Absent**

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT: William Artist Chairman  
Ralph Dabney, Vice Chairman  
Jay Barry  
Nolbert Chavez  
James Kelly, M.D.  
Stephen Shogan, M.D., Non-Voting Physician

COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT: Steven Traina, M.D., Non-Voting Physician

STAFF PRESENT: Angeline Kinnaird Linn, Section Director  
Ofelia Duran, Program Director  
Josef Mason, Director of the Office of Boxing  
Jodi Denny, Administrative Assistant

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Colorado State Boxing Commission was called to order by William Artist, Commission Chairman, at 10:05 a.m.

**Open Forum/Public Comment/Commissioner's Comments**

Commissioner William Artist inquired about not receiving the agenda packets which were mailed to the Commissioners this quarter instead of being e-mailed to them. Ms. Kinnaird Linn explained the reasons why the agenda packets were mailed via first class mail and also indicated that the Division is striving for consistency in how the Agenda packets are distributed to all Board and Commission members.

## II. Minutes

Consideration and Approval of the April 10, 2008 minutes.

Following review and consideration of the April 10, 2008 meeting minutes, a motion was made, seconded and carried unanimously to approve the minutes as presented.

## III. Division and Department Business

William Artist introduced the new Commission Member, Nolbert Chavez.

Mr. Chavez briefly shared his experience and background with the Commissioners.

Ms. Kinnaird Linn introduced the new Program Director, Ofelia Duran.

Ms. Duran shared her experience and time spent in the different sections within the Division of Registrations and her responsibility with the four programs that she will oversee.

### Board Member Training

Mr. Mason presented an overview of the processes involved in regulating each event. Mr. Mason explained that the Promoters are licensed, trained, and bonded. In addition, Mr. Mason indicated that the Promoters must be aware of the surcharges that must be paid to the Office. Mr. Mason provided other information on what responsibilities Promoters have in terms of supplies, equipment, etc. Promoters also have the responsibility of assigning a physician for ringside with the final approval of the Director. Dr. Kelly asked about the ability of the ringside physician to attend to an injured contestant. Mr. Mason provided additional information by stating that all physicians are trained and given a Physician's Manual.

Mr. Mason explained the safety precautions taken at each event such as the requirement to provide blood test results 48 hours prior to a particular event. Mr. Mason indicated that Police Officers are assigned for crowd control and Paramedics are always present. Mr. Mason also explained that the decision for match making is at his discretion.

Commissioner Dabney inquired about safety precautions taken with women fighters. Mr. Mason indicated that all women must have a pregnancy test prior to the event.

Mr. Mason further explained that the assignment of Officials is completed at least 2 weeks prior to any given event and they are assigned according to the type of event, ability and training.

The approval of a bout is finalized by the Director after meeting with promoters and approving all records. Mr. Mason discussed the list of forms required from the Promoters and Contestants.

Mr. Mason talked about the venue requirements for each event and items that must be verified for safety and compliance. There was also discussion regarding the need for a fifth

rope on the ring if Boxing and Mixed Martial Arts are scheduled to occur in the same ring. Mr. Mason explained that checklists are used for all of the procedures explained above. Mr. Mason informed the Commissioners about several reporting requirements he completes after any given event such as results of a bout and any suspensions, in addition to verifying the size of a crowd and payment made to contestants.

#### IV. General Business

##### 1. Association of Boxing Commissions (ABC) Update

Mr. Mason took a few minutes to recap the ABC convention held in Montreal, Canada. He gave the Commissioners an overview of the different issues that arose during the convention.

##### 2. Budget Review

Mr. Mason discussed the budget results for the fiscal year of 2008.

##### 3. Recent trends in Boxing and Kickboxing

Mr. Mason discussed the safety issues of having the fifth rope on the ring.

##### 4. Review of Past Events

Mr. Mason reviewed the events which have occurred since the last meeting.

##### 5. Review of Future Events

Mr. Mason reviewed and discussed the upcoming future events

##### 6. Sunset Process & Timeline

Ms. Kinnaird Linn spoke to the Commissioners regarding the Sunset evaluation which will take place in 2010. Ms. Kinnaird Linn explained the process and asked the Commissioners to look at the Boxing Statutes to see if there are changes they would like to see happen that would help the program.

Ms. Kinnaird Linn explained how some of the other programs have set up meetings with all interested parties to begin drafting any recommendations which will be given to the Department analyst prior to the completion of the sunset report.

Commission Chairman William Artist was very interested in starting a Sunset Review Committee to discuss any changes that may need to happen with the program during the 2010 Sunset review. Mr. Artist stated that he would continue that discussion with the Program Director and the Director of Boxing to determine a plan of action.

#### V. Cases

Consideration of cases

Mr. Mason reviewed the cases that have been closed since April 1, 2008.

**VI. Confidential issues Pursuant to Sections 24-6-402(3)(a)(II), (III) and IV, C.R.S.**

Executive Sessions Log

There were no matters to review in Executive Session.

**VII. Adjournment**

Chairman Artist adjourned the meeting at 12:10 p.m. The next Commission meeting is set for October 9, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. in Conference Room 1500.

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William Artist, Chairman

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