

**BOXING, MARTIAL ARTS, AND
PROFESSIONAL WRESTLING ADVISORY BOARD REGULATORY REVIEW
MEETING MINUTES**

A regulatory review meeting was held on April 20, 2023, at the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation, 9960 Mayland Drive, Richmond, Virginia, with the following members present:

Scott Howard (Martial Arts)
Leah Jackman (Martial Arts)
Brandon Metheny (Wrestling)

Demetrious J. Melis, Director, Steve Kirschner, LRPD Deputy Director, Board members, Daniel Hardy, M.D. (Citizen) , Travis Lee, M.D. (Boxing), Delvis McCadden (Boxing), and Charles Pinto (Citizen), were not present for the meeting with regrets.

Staff present for all or part of the meeting was:

Kishore Thota, Chief Deputy Director
Jennifer Sayegh, Policy and Legislative Affairs Manager
Joe Haughwout, Regulatory Affairs Manager
Kathleen R. (Kate) Nosbisch, Executive Director
Bonnie Davis, Regulatory Operations Administrator

Josh Laws, Assistant Attorney General from the Office of the Attorney General was not present for the meeting with regrets.

Members of the public included: Javier Brantley, Jr.

Ms. Jackman, Vice Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

Call to Order

Ms. Nobisch advised the Board of the emergency evacuation procedures.

**Emergency
Evacuation
Procedures**

Mr. Metheny moved to approve the agenda. Mr. Howard seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by members: Howard, Jackman, and Metheny.

Approval of Agenda

Mr. Brantley presented information on Platform Combat.

**Public Comment
Period**

Tabled until next meeting.

Smoker Update

Tabled until next meeting.

**Weight Spread
Difference Update**

The Board began a line-by-line review of the mixed martial arts regulations using the Regulatory Review Matrix Flowchart in order to determine the relevance of each regulation. During the review, the Board began with 18VAC120-42-110. A long discussion took place regarding smokers/exhibitions.

Regulatory Review

The Board took a recess from 11:30 a.m. to 11:40 a.m.

Recess

The Board continued reviewing the mixed martial arts regulations using the Regulatory Review Matrix Flowchart in order to determine the relevance of each regulation. A long discussion regarding physical, restrictive barriers at events took place. The Board ended on 18VAC120-42-120. The Board will begin on 18VAC120-42-120 at the next meeting.

**Regulatory Review
Continued**

Mr. Haughwout arrived to the meeting at 1:20 p.m.

Arrival of Staff

Conflict of Interest and travel forms were completed by all board members present.

**Conflict of Interest
Forms and Travel
Vouchers**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:04 p.m.

Adjourn



Dr. Daniel Hardy, Vice Chair



Kishore Thota, Secretary

**STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
CONFLICT OF INTERESTS ACT**

TRANSACTIONAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
for Officers and Employees of State Government

1. Name: Scott L. Howard
2. Title: Board Member
3. Agency: Boxing, Martial Arts, and Professional Wrestling
Advisory Board
4. Meeting/IFF Date: Regulatory Review Meeting April 20, 2023

5. I have a personal interest in the following transaction:

n/a

Nature of Personal Interest Affected by Transaction:

n/a

I declare that I am a member of the following business, profession, occupation or group, the members of which are affected by the transaction:

n/a

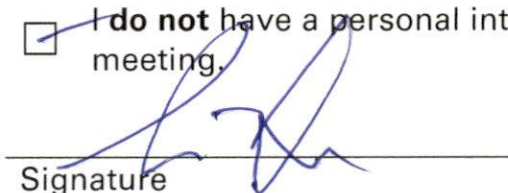
I am able to participate in this transaction fairly, objectively, and in the public interest.

or

I did not participate in the transaction.

6. I **do not** have a personal interest in any transactions taken at this meeting.

Signature



Date

4-20-23

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CONFLICT OF INTERESTS ACT**

**TRANSACTIONAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
for Officers and Employees of State Government**

1. Name: Brandon Metheny
2. Title: Board Member
3. Agency: Boxing, Martial Arts, and Professional Wrestling
Advisory Board
4. Meeting/IFF Date: Regulatory Review Meeting April 20, 2023

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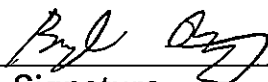
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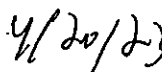
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**TRANSACTIONAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
for Officers and Employees of State Government**

1. Name: Leah Jackman
2. Title: Board Member
3. Agency: Boxing, Martial Arts, and Professional Wrestling
Advisory Board
4. Meeting/IFF Date: Regulatory Review Meeting April 20, 2023

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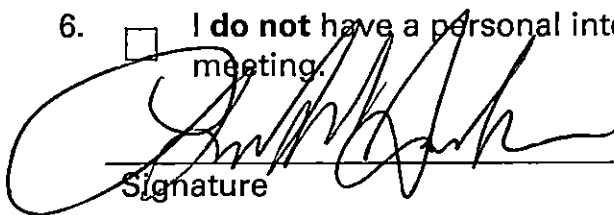
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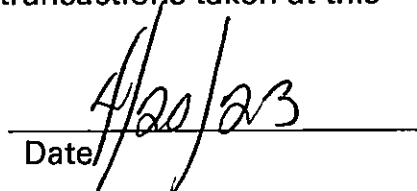
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