

FLORIDA STATE BOXING COMMISSION
GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
BOARD CONFERENCE ROOM
1940 NORTH MONROE STREET
TALLAHASSEE, FL 32399-1016

December 13, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Williams called the meeting to order on December 13, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT BY PHONE

Mr. Antonius DeSisto
Dr. Wayne Kearney, Vice Chair
Mr. Marco Lopez
Mr. Tirso Martinez
Frank Gentile, Assistant Executive Director

OTHERS PRESENT

Dr. Mark Williams, Chair
Cynthia Hefren, Executive Director
Lina Hurtado, Government Analyst II
Robert Milne, Assistant Attorney General
Mark Miller, Prosecuting Attorney

REVIEW OF AMATEUR SANCTIONING ORGANIZATION LICENSES

Dr. Williams changed the agenda order to review International Sport Karate/
Kickboxing Association first.

International Sport Karate/ Kickboxing Association- Kickboxing

Ms. Hefren reviewed the checklist with the commission, and after review, the following motion was made.

MOTION: Mr. Lopez made a motion to continue International Sport Karate/ Kickboxing Association for two years.

SECOND: Dr. Kearney seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Amateur Fighting Nation, Inc- MMA

Ms. Hefren reviewed the checklist with the commission, and after review, the following motion was made.

MOTION: Mr. Lopez made a motion to continue Amateur Fighting Nation, Inc for two years.

SECOND: Mr. DeSisto seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

International Kickboxing Federation (IKF) - Kickboxing

Ms. Hefren reviewed the checklist with the commission, and after review, the following motion was made.

MOTION: Mr. Lopez made a motion to continue International Kickboxing Federation (IKF) for two years.

SECOND: Dr. Kearney seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Karate Without Borders, Inc- Kickboxing

Ms. Hefren reviewed the checklist with the commission, and after review, the following motion was made.

MOTION: Mr. Lopez made a motion to continue Karate Without Border, Inc- amateur kickboxing for two years.

SECOND: Dr. Kearney seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Karate Without Borders, Inc- MMA

Ms. Hefren reviewed the checklist with the commission, and after review, the following motion was made.

MOTION: Mr. Lopez made a motion to continue Karate Without Border, Inc- amateur mixed martial arts for two years.

SECOND: Dr. Kearney seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Kick International- Kickboxing

Ms. Hefren reviewed the checklist with the commission, and after review, the following motion was made.

MOTION: Mr. Lopez made a motion to continue Kick International- amateur kickboxing for two years.

SECOND: Dr. Kearney seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Kick International- MMA

Ms. Hefren reviewed the checklist with the commission, and after review, the following motion was made.

MOTION: Mr. Lopez made a motion to continue Kick International- amateur mixed martial arts for two years.

SECOND: Dr. Kearney seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

MMA Solutions, Inc. D.B.A Alfa Sanctioning

Ms. Hefren reviewed the checklist with the commission, and after review, the following motion was made.

MOTION: Mr. Lopez made a motion to continue MMA Solutions, Inc. D.B.A Alfa Sanctioning for two years.

SECOND: Dr. Kearney seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Rene's Dynamic Sports Center-Kickboxing

Ms. Hefren reviewed the checklist with the commission, and after review, the following motion was made.

MOTION: Mr. Lopez made a motion to continue Rene's Dynamic Sports Center amateur kickboxing for two years.

SECOND: Dr. Kearney seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Rene's Dynamic Sports Center-Boxing

Ms. Hefren reviewed the checklist with the commission and based on the checklist information provided, Ms. Hefren recommended suspension for this amateur sanctioning organization.

Mr. Frank Gentile was sworn in and he provided his testimony related to the compliance check performed on November 26, 2013 by Mr. Frank Gentile and Mr. Tony Cammarata.

After review, the following motion was made.

MOTION: Mr. Lopez made a motion to suspend Rene's Dynamic Sports Center amateur boxing sanctioning Organization for 60 days to submit a corrective plan of action.

SECOND: Mr. Martinez seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Milne addressed the commission and stated that we will be providing a notice of intent to suspend to the amateur sanctioning organization.

Dr. Williams asked Rene's Dynamic Sports Center amateur boxing sanctioning organization for a timeframe to submit a corrective plan of actions.

Mr. Rene stated that 60 days was enough time to provide a corrective plan of action to the commission.

Rene's Dynamic Sports Center-MMA

Ms. Hefren reviewed the checklist with the commission, and after review, the following motion was made.

MOTION: Mr. Lopez made a motion to continue Rene's Dynamic Sports Center amateur MMA for two years.

SECOND: Dr. Kearney seconded the motion and it passed by majority.

United States Muay Thai

Ms. Hefren addressed the commission and stated that after research, the commission found that this license was never approved by the commission and therefore, the license was issued in error.

Mr. Milne asked the commission to revoke the license issued in error by the commission.

MOTION: Mr. Lopez made a motion to revoke the license issued in error to USMTA.

SECOND: Dr. Kearney seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Dr. Williams asked for a motion to ask USMTA to resubmit their application to be approved as an amateur sanctioning organization.

MOTION: Mr. Lopez made a motion to ask USMTA to resubmit their application to be approved as an amateur sanctioning organization.

SECOND: Dr. Kearney seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

USA Boxing

Ms. Hefren reviewed the checklist with the commission, and after review, the following motion was made.

MOTION: Mr. Lopez made a motion to continue USA Boxing for two years.

SECOND: Dr. Kearney seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

World Fighting Organization

Ms. Hefren reviewed the checklist with the commission, and after review, the following motion was made.

MOTION: Mr. Lopez made a motion to continue World Fighting Organization for two years.

SECOND: Dr. Kearney seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

World Kickboxing Association USA - Kickboxing

Ms. Hefren reviewed the checklist with the commission, and after review, the following motion was made.

MOTION: Mr. Lopez made a motion to continue World Kickboxing Association for two years.

SECOND: Dr. Kearney seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

World Shin Do Kumate Association, Inc. (WSDKA)

Ms. Hefren reviewed the checklist with the commission, and after review, the following motion was made.

MOTION: Mr. Lopez made a motion to continue World Shin Do Kumate Association for two years.

SECOND: Dr. Kearney seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION REGARDING PROPOSED JUNIOR MODIFIED MIXED MARTIAL ARTS

Mr. Downs asked the Commissioners to confirm if they received a copy of the proposed junior modified mixed martial arts proposal. They confirmed receipt.

Mr. Downs addressed the commission with comments and comments were taken.

Dr. Williams suggested bringing this matter for rulemaking.

Mr. Milne asked the commission for a motion to move the proposed junior modified mixed martial arts for rulemaking.

After discussion, the following motion was made.

MOTION: Mr. Lopez made a motion to move the proposed junior mixed martial arts for rulemaking.

SECOND: Mr. Martinez seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION REGARDING REQUEST FOR AMATEUR MIXED MARTIAL ARTS RULE REVISION

Ms. Hefren addressed the commission and stated that this information was received from Mr. Mike Gatuso for the commission's review.

Mr. Milne stated that the commission had the option to take no action, or to consider the proposed revisions and adopt them or to bring this matter for rulemaking.

After discussion, the following motion was made.

MOTION: Mr. Lopez made a motion to move the proposed amateur mixed martial arts rule revision for rulemaking.

SECOND: Dr. Kearney seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Proposal for weight class revision for amateur mixed martial arts.

Mr. Gatusso addressed the commission and asked to withdraw this item and table it until the next commission meeting.

After discussion, the following motion was made.

MOTION: Mr. Lopez made a motion to table this item until the next commission meeting.

SECOND: Dr. Kearney seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST 30, 2013 GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

The commission reviewed the August 30, 2013 general business meeting minutes, and after discussion, the following motion was made.

MOTION: Mr. Lopez made a motion to approve the August 30, 2013 general business meeting minutes.

SECOND: Dr. Kearney seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

ETHICS

Refresher Training

Mr. Milne addressed the commissioners and advised them to visit the website to obtain additional information in reference to ethics.

Role of Commissioners at Public Events

Mr. Milne provided information to the commissioners in reference to their role at public events.

NEW/ OLD BUSINESS

Attorney General Report.

Mr. Milne advised the commission that there was nothing to report at this time.

Prosecuting Attorney Status Report

Mr. Miller, Prosecuting Attorney, was present and advised the commission that there was nothing to report at this time.

Executive Director Report

Ms. Hefren advised the commission that we launched online applications in October.

Ms. Hefren also thanked Mr. Frank Gentile and Mr. Tony Camarata for providing inspectors and regulation investigators training on professional and amateur events.

The meeting adjourned at 12: 41 p.m.