

## LBC Presidents Call Meeting Notes Thursday, January 21, 2021

Call commenced at 3:03 pm Mountain Time.

**LBCs represented on the call:** Adirondack, Allegheny Mountain, Colorado, Florida, Gulf, Illinois, Lake Erie, Michigan, Middle Atlantic, Nevada, New Jersey, Niagara, North Carolina, North Dakota, Oregon, Ohio, Ozark, Potomac Valley, South Texas, Southeastern, USIBA, Virginia, and Wisconsin.

**Staff present:** Mike McAtee, Mike Campbell, Lynette Smith, Ethan Figge, and Stacy Arredondo.

**Welcome:** Mike McAtee, Executive Director welcomed everyone to the call. He thanked everyone for being actively engaged and moving forward.

**Olympic Update**: Jackie Atkins (New Jersey) had asked where we are with the 2020 Olympics Games. McAtee reported that President Biden is raising Olympics expectations and the USOPC Director gave an update that they believe that the Games are going to happen, but they are not going to look like they have in the past. Our Qualification Team is back in Colorado Springs and we have created a new gym in an abandoned department store, as the Olympic Training Center still isn't open for use. We will be there for at least the next 3 months. Staff pitched in to put the rings together. We have had to adapt just like our LBCs have had to. The team is travelling to Bulgaria and then to Spain and then to the qualifying event in May in Argentina.

**International Task Force** – McAtee asked Angel Villareal if he had heard anything about the qualifying event. Villarreal reported that officials are starting to be invited and they are talking about creating bubbles and sending athletes home right after competition.

**USOPC Compliance** has created more guidelines, which we will be following. The Ted Stevens Olympic & Amateur Sports Act was unanimously passed in the House and Senate and then signed by President Trump. We will be having some virtual workshops with treasurers and presidents to help LBCs understand all the needed paperwork.

**LBC Board Members Must Renew Membership**: 50 of 300 LBC Board Members have not renewed their 2021 membership, which means they are not covered by Director & Officer insurance coverage. Please renew ASAP. If you have any trouble, contact Lynette. Also, please verify that all your board members have re-joined. Shaun Tallon (Illinois) added that the new bylaws say if you do not renew by February 1, then you can be replaced of your position.



USA Boxing, Inc. 1 Olympic Plaza · Colorado Springs, Colorado 80909 (719) 866-2300 · FAX: (719) 866-2132 · Website: www.usaboxing.org **Updated Back to Boxing Guide:** Mike Campbell, Boxing Operations & Events Manager reported that an update to the Covid-19 Back to Boxing will be going out to all members, which outlines "how to" put on test events and singular and multi-day events. We want to continue with After Action Reports, so we can learn from all events. Please help push this out to your clubs and members.

**50% Off Sanction Sale**: there will be an announcement of the 50% off sale of the national sanction fee tomorrow. In order to stimulate more competition, the sale will be for single day club event sanctions. The sale will go on for two weeks. It will be very clear that the sanctions must follow all LBC regulations and follow the COVID Back to Boxing Guide. A specific date is needed for Webpoint but that can be adjusted so enter December 31, 2021 as the event date if unsure. The LBC's sanction fee remains the same.

**Tom Lindsey (South Texas)** asked if they can do more than one single day and yes, more than one can be done. And asked about the other fees that his LBC charges. Lynette and Campbell will work with Tom to facilitate the process in South Texas LBC.

**Jamil Ali (Middle Atlantic)** asked about the process, which is to submit the form to Ethan but also submit to their LBC. McAtee recommends purchasing now but putting December 31, 2021 as the date and then move it when the actual date is set.

**Ansel Stewart (Michigan)** asked if sanctions can be switched from one gym to another. Both McAtee and Campbell agreed that would be permitted.

**Shaun Tallon (Illinois)** wanted to know if the sanctions cannot be used this year, can transfer to 2022. McAtee stated that as of now, they will not be able to transfer.

**Jeanne DePriest (Colorado)** asked about the discount and sanctions that were transferred from 2020. The sale is just for new sanctions. She expressed concern of having too many requests and date priority. They will be date/time stamped. Campbell stated that date priority should be given to rescheduled sanctions.

**Membership Update**: Lynette Smith, Membership Director reiterated again that the new background screening criteria is more stringent, and some folks aren't passing. Please let your members know that approximately 90% of appeals are being approved, so please encourage your members to contact USA Boxing for assistance.

**Patrick Finklin (North Carolina)** asked Lynette about membership discount that expired at the end of December, mentioning that he noticed some refunds were processed into the new year. Lynette explained that when it was determined that a member had attempted to contact the Membership Department during the holiday break, we honored the discount and refunded the 10% back to them.

**National Championships Update**: Since we moved the event to 2021, boxers, officials and coaches must renew their membership in order to participate and be covered by insurance. To make check-in more



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efficient and safer for volunteers, we are asking that photos, birth certification verification, citizenship verification and athlete physical upload happen prior to the event.

**Ringside Physicians for Nationals:** Campbell reported that since we have expanded the number of days for Nationals, we are looking for more docs, especially for second part of the week. Please forward recommendations of docs to Campbell or Stacy. If possible, please have them send their most recent CV or resume.

**Regional Calls:** we are planning on holding some regional calls again and are going to invite Golden Glove franchises to attend. This way when areas open, boxing will be ready to commence. Stacy will be sending out invites.

**Illegal boxing shows (unsanctioned boxing events):** if you hear of unsanctioned shows, please let us know. Boxers and non-athletes participating in unsanctioned events may face consequences regarding their eligibility for membership.

**Shaun Tallon (Illinois)** stated that he has some grievances. McAtee said to reach out to Lynette.

Birthdays: Campbell recognized some birthdays of the week.

**Officials Clinics:** Angel Villarreal announced that there a few clinics scheduled for the upcoming weekends, and we are trying to recruit more clinicians. He also encourages all LBCs to help fund official's travel to Nationals as they gain a lot of experience.

Closing: McAtee thanked all for what they are doing and suggested to take the time to be kind to each other. 2021 is our comeback year!

Meeting adjourned at 4:04 pm.



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