

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR ATHLETIC COMMISSION MEETING
HELD IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE BOWEN PARK COMPLEX
ON WEDNESDAY, 2008-OCT-01 COMMENCING AT 12:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Commissioner M. Unger, Chair

Members:

Commissioner E. Garner
Commissioner L. McNabb
Commissioner J. Martin
Commissioner B. Meunier
Commissioner B. Bestwick

Staff: D. Osborne H. Richardson (recording)

1. CALL THE OPEN MEETING TO ORDER:

The Regular Meeting was called to order at 12:00 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

It was moved and seconded that the Agenda be adopted. The motion carried unanimously.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

- (a) Minutes of the Regular Athletic Commission Meeting held Wednesday, 2008-JUL-30 at 12:00 p.m. in Room 8 of the Beban Park Recreation Centre.

It was moved and seconded that the Minutes be adopted as read. The motion carried unanimously.

4. DELEGATIONS:

It was moved and seconded that the Delegation be permitted to address the Athletic Commission. The motion carried unanimously.

- (a) Mr. John Cooper, 601 Milton Street, Nanaimo BC, V9R 2L4, South Western BC Affiliate, King of the Cage Canada, outlining his mixed martial arts event on 2008-OCT-18, at Frank Crane Arena. Doors open at 6:00, fight time 7:00.

Tickets are going well for the event. 17 matches are confirmed. Mr. Cooper is having trouble finding a fight physician. Dr. Ericsson from Victoria is not available. Several suggestions were given to Mr. Cooper that he will follow-up. Nanaimo Athletic Commission Bylaw 8.3 requires a physician for the event to proceed. Mr. Cooper has a budget to bring in a doctor from out of town if need be.

Weigh-In will be held at 6:00 on Friday, 2008-OCT-17 at Beban Park Social Centre. All fighters must have their medical check-list signed-off by a physician. Mr. Cooper is urging all fighters to have their medicals done prior to the weigh-in.

Consent will not be given to any fighter to fight if they have not completed the entire pre-fight medical. Fighters will not be allowed to fight, even if their opponents sign a waiver allowing them to do so, without adequate medical tests being done.

Tickets will be provided for attending Commission members. Ringside seats will be reserved for Commission members attending.

5. OTHER BUSINESS:

- (a) Training of Officials – Mr. Garner and Kevin O'Dornan will spend some time with appointed officials for the King of the Cage at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, 2008-OCT-18, to review rules and expectations for the event.
- (b) Hiring of Officials by City of Nanaimo – If the City hires officials, they need to ensure that all standards are met. If standards are not met and a problem arises, the City would be liable. Conversely, if the promoter is hiring and paying officials, it is a conflict of interest. Darcie and Merv will investigate the ramifications of the City hiring and paying officials for combat events.
- (c) Payment of Officials for King of the Cage – Because the City is not selling the tickets for this event, concern was expressed that there was no contingency if enough money was not raised to pay officials. Staff advised that there is \$6,000 in an account from Mr. Cooper, but there is no security for officials and fighters. Fees should be collected for officials ahead of time and be distributed at weight-in.

It was moved and seconded that Other Business be received. The motion carried unanimously.

6. ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved and seconded at 1:30 p.m. that the meeting terminate, with the next meeting of Athletic Commission to be held at the discretion of the Chair. The motion carried unanimously.



M. Unger, Chair
Nanaimo Athletic Commission

CERTIFIED CORRECT:



R. Harding, Director
Parks, Recreation and Culture