LOUISIANA STATE
ATHLETIC COMMISSION
MINUTES
December 18, 2025, 12:00 p.m.

1) **ATTENDEES:**
RONALD RANTZ (R.R.)
DARRELL POIRIER (D.P.) (via Zoom)
JOHN GREEN, JR. (J.G.) (absent)
JAMES (JIMBO) STEVENSON (J.S.) (absent)
RICKY NORRIS (R.N.)
MIKE HOLLANDER (M.H.)
WILLIAM GRAY (W.G.)
TODD SINGLETARY (T.S.)
CHRISTOPHER DUPRE (C.D.)
JESSICA BARRERO (J.B.)

1) **MINUTES AND FINANCIAL REPORT:**

October and November minutes presented to the Commission. M.H. motions to approve, R.N. Seconds all vote in favor.

Financial statement including monthly bills and salaries also presented to the Commission. M.H. motions to approve, seconded by W.G, all vote in favor.

2) **LIST OF GUESTS:**
Robert Greif present to promote a wrestling promoters license. Mr. Greif informs the Commission that 7 years ago he was suspended by the commission for providing false blood work for fighters. He explains he has since maintained his wrestling license but would now like to be reinstated. Decision to be made at the January commission meeting as to whether the Commission will grant the reinstatement.

3) **LICENSE RENEWALS/APPLICATIONS: Nothing to discuss.**

4) **PAST SHOWS:** R.R. attended the Charity fight for McNeese Rodeo and expresses concern as it featured professional fighters and five round fights resembling a professional event but without commission oversight, fees, or taxes. Safety violations were also noted. The Commission reiterated existing rules, which require promoters to get pre-approval 21 days prior with an estimated budget, publicly announce the charity, and submit a final report within 7 days post-event with proof of donation. The Commission will also verify 501c 3 organizations via a registry lookup. For non-registered fundraising, scrutiny will be increased to ensure funds are properly

distributed through a legitimate charitable organization. W.G. motions to implement a new rule to only one charity event per promoter per year. D.P. seconds, all vote in favor.

5) **UPCOMING SHOWS:**

Wrestling: January 3, 2026 Joey Comeaux in Scott
January 10, 2026 Mike Beadle in New Iberia
January 10, 2026 and January 11, 2026 Sean Dunn Morial Convention Center
January 17, 2026 WildKat Wrestling, Cresent City
January 17, 2026 Mike Beadle Mamu
January 30, 2026 Pro Wrestling 225 in Houma

6) **NEW BUSINESS**:

The Commission discusses an incident where promoter Joe Kona allegedly hit and knocked down a fighter who was late, possibly intoxicated and confrontational. The incident occurred in public but no police report or formal complaint has been filed. The Commission decided to obtain a written statement from the timekeeper, Jeff Leblanc, who witnessed the event. After receiving the statement, a commission member will call Joe Kona to warn him that such behavior is unprofessional and could jeopardize his license.

A proposal was received form Mickey Luda for an “Armored Combat” event and was reviewed by the Commission. While the Commission has jurisdiction under the “mixed martial arts technique” statute, significant safety and liability concerns were raised. The Commission decides to deny the request but is open to reevaluating in the future.

7) **OLD BUSINESS**: Nothing to discuss

8) **NEXT MEETING DATE & ADJOURNMENT:**

Next meeting scheduled for January 29, 2026, informed meeting at 12:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned.