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**Minutes**  
**Massachusetts State Athletic Commission**  
**One Ashburton Place, Suite 1, Boston, MA**  
**April 7, 2017 12:30PM**

1. Roll Call

The emergency meeting was called to order at 12:45pm by Chair Matt LeBretton followed by roll call:

Board Members present

Matt LeBretton, Chair  
Patrick Bradley  
Guy Licciardi

Board Members not present

Paul Karger  
Rod Walkey

Guests Present

Deirdre Hosler, Board Counsel  
Mark Porter

2. Variance Request from 523 CMR 6.02 and 15.00 – Mark Porter to hold an amateur boxing event on Saturday, April 8, 2017 at Marina Bay, Quincy  
Commissioner Licciardi began the discussion of the agenda item by presenting Mark Porter. Mr. Porter requested a variance from 523 CMR sections 6 and 15 for the purpose of scheduling an amateur boxing event on Saturday, April 8, 2017 –The Battle at the Bay, a charity to help fund the cure for cancer and its survivors. Mr. Porter stated that this event has run annually and has historically been “granted” a pass from MSAC provided the participants turned in a Fit-to-Fight physical performed by their own Primary Care Physician and were examined by Ringside Physicians pre and post-match. In addition (2) EMTs and ambulance service are present and on standby at the event as well as MSAC officials officiating the bouts. Chair LeBretton stated that he admired that this event was charitable in nature but as a signal to the community a variance request of this kind must be presented before the board each time to assure the guidelines of such a variance were in place and followed for the safety of the fighter as well as the community. Mr. Porter agreed and also stated that this particular event would follow the previous guidelines with exception to the officials. A motion was made by Commissioner Bradley to grant the variance as requested; seconded by Commissioner Licciardi. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Commissioner Licciardi to adjourn; seconded by Commissioner Bradley. The meeting adjourned at 1:05pm.



List of Documents/Exhibits used at this Meeting

N/A