Michigan LBC Board of Directors Meeting 12july2023 via Zoom

Meeting commenced at 8:30

Present: Ansel Stewart, Ed Mosely, Cheri Szendre, Sarah Rae Batenburg, Jamey Cates, Joe Kastely. Betty was unable to log on, Cheri communicated with her via text.

Ansel opened the meeting asking who planned to return to the board as this is an election year.

Ansel - 50/50 at this point, will let us know by end of summer one way or another

Cheri - planning to stay on board, would like to have different position than secretary

Ed - Yes, will remain as registration chair

Joe - Yes, will remain as chief of officials if reelected, commented that being OIC for every show is getting old and would like more officials to step up and take on that responsibility. Indicated that there are some officials who need mentoring but would make a good OIC.

Betty indicated via text she will return as treasurer if reelected.

Both Sarah Rae and Jamey plan to remain on the board as athlete rep.

There was discussion regarding officials stipend, we need to do a better job communicating at time of sanction the expectation of the sanction holder to provide a stipend for officials if they want to continue to have officials work their shows.

Discussion regarding 19 bouts a couple weeks ago and that we need to "limit" the number of bouts allowed. Cheri indicated her thoughts were that we need to NOT limit the number of bouts, but rather limit the number of bouts and official is asked to work in a row but substituting other officials, utilizing 3 rather than 5 officials to work them in and relieve the number of bouts judged in a row. Ansel was in agreement with not limiting the number of bouts but finding a work around.

Other miscellaneous discussion regarding the Master's event this weekend, scheduling shows for upcoming dates and the confusion regarding what is and is not on the calendar - only sanctioned shows are listed so when someone is trying to set up a show for a certain date, they may not realize there are other "potential" events for that date. Uncertain how to fix this, other than reaching out to Joe directly.

Spence - had surgery this past week, triple bypass.

Betty - staying with her sister for 4-6 weeks for recovery from stroke.

Motion to adjourn by Ed / Sarah, 2nd by Ansel. Meeting adjourned 9:20pm end of notes. cls