

PETE SUAZO UTAH ATHLETIC COMMISSION (PSUAC)
Scheduled Commission Meeting
February 20, 2026

Attending Commissioners:

Chair Troy Walker and Commissioners Brian Miller, Tammy Leavitt, Chris Barney and Bruce Baird attended via ZOOM Meeting.

Director Scott Bowler, Assistant Director Tracy Pattillo, Assistant Attorney General Elliott Clark

Troy Walker called the meeting to order at 12:08 PM

Approval of December 19 meeting minutes

Commissioner Bruce Baird motioned to approve the minutes of December 19 2025 ; Commissioner Tammy Leavitt seconded. Passed unanimously.

Public comment – no action

No Public comment

George McMahon Former inspector to be heard

Director Scott Bowler addressed the matter of George McMahon's request to return as an inspector, noting that Mr. McMahon, who has been off the Commission for three years, wishes to be heard regarding his suspension from violation of code of conduct. Mr McMahon was not on the call. Commissioner Bruce Baird moved to table this agenda item to the next PSUAC Commission meeting, which was seconded by Commissioner Brian Miller and passed unanimously.

Event Reservation Fee

Mr. Bowler proposed increasing the event reservation fee to a base of \$500.00 to address two main concerns:

- Discouraging promoters from holding excessive dates.
- Securing the commission's funding.

The commission members offered various perspectives:

- Commissioner Bruce Baird suggested developing a sliding fee schedule for reimbursements if an event is canceled, based on the proximity of the cancellation to the event date.
- Assistant Director Tracy Pattillo advised checking with State Finance regarding the process and difficulty of reimbursing promoters.
- Commissioner Brian Miller supported the concept of reducing the reimbursement amount the closer the cancellation is to the event, acknowledging the challenges of scheduling shows with limited notice.
- Commissioner Troy Walker argued that a reimbursement schedule would be overly complicated ("more headache than it is worth") and suggested charging a single flat fee, such as \$350 or \$500.
- Commissioner Chris Barny and Commissioner Tammy Leavitt agreed with Commissioner Walker's preference for a flat fee.

Commissioner Bruce Baird then made a motion to table the agenda item. This motion allows Director Scott Bowler and Assistant Director Tracy Pattillo time to develop a formal event reservation fee schedule for presentation to the PSUAC board. Commissioner Brian Miller seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Admin Code Revision

Director Scott Bowler initiated a discussion regarding the Administrative Code, it requires updating due to past revision being done sometime ago. He sought the Board's perspective on amending the code to allow the PSUAC to sanction Pro/Am boxing independently, without requiring the simultaneous presence of USA Boxing. The objective is to offer promotions greater flexibility and cost savings without eliminating existing opportunities.

Commissioner Tammy Leavitt expressed strong support for the proposal, citing the potential for cost reduction. Commissioner Bruce Baird concurred and moved to draft a proposal for the commissioners' review. Commissioner

Tammy Leavitt seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Review upcoming events

February 21, 2026 Fierce FC
March 7, 2026 All Heart Boxing
March 7, 2026 Fierce FC
March 14, 2026 SteelFist FC

Director's report – Financial update

Director's Report

Director Scott Bowler initiated his report by addressing the legislative request for all agencies and divisions to implement a five percent budget cut. He identified travel expenses, including both in-state and out-of-state travel for commissioners and inspectors, as the area offering the most significant potential savings.

Mr. Bowler also provided an update on the amended Ali Act. He noted that while the ABC initially supported the act in August, they did so without having all the necessary information. Key changes under the amended act include:

- **Increased Insurer Requirement:** The required insurance coverage would rise from \$25,000.00 to \$50,000.00.
- **Increased Promoter Cost:** This increase is estimated to add approximately \$5,600.00 to the cost for the promoter per event.
- **Enhanced Medical Testing:** The act mandates increased medical testing, including drug testing 50% of the card, which is estimated to add about \$200.00 per athlete to each event.

Financial Update

Upcoming events are anticipated to help with the division's funds; however, there is a possibility that a request for additional funding may be necessary soon.

Schedule next meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, March 20 at noon via ZOOM Meeting unless otherwise noted.

Adjourn.

Commissioner Bruce Baird motioned to adjourn;
Commissioner Tammy Leavitt seconded.
Passed unanimously at 12:35 PM