



**EDMONTON COMBATIVE SPORTS COMMISSION  
FINAL  
MEETING MINUTES**

**April 8, 2024  
7:00 PM  
Online via Google Meet**

**1. Call to Order and Land Acknowledgement**

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Trevor Kelly, at 7:03 pm., Monday, April 8, 2024.

It was acknowledged that the Edmonton Combative Sports Commission meets on the traditional territories of the indigenous peoples of the Treaty 6 region and the Métis settlement in the Métis Nation of Alberta in regions 2, 3 and 4. The Chair acknowledged that we respect the histories, language and cultures of First Nations, Métis and Inuit, and all First Peoples of Canada whose presence continues to enrich our community.

**2. Roll Call, Recording of Attendance**

**Present:** Chair Trevor Kelly, Vice-Chair Andrew Soto  
Commission Members: Brandy Badry, Tye Babb,  
Rashi Khullar  
Executive Director, Forrest Gavins  
Recorder, Tracey Poberznick

**Absent with Regrets:** Kevin Malahy, Nateram Seecharan

**3. Call for Requests to Speak from the Public**

There were no requests to speak from the public.

**4. Adopt Agenda**

MOVED: That the agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

## **5. Approve Minutes from Previous Meeting**

MOVED: That the March 11, 2024, minutes be adopted as circulated. CARRIED

## **6. Policy Review Project Working Group Updates**

B. Badry and T. Babb reviewed Policy 7 - Fighter Pro Debut Criteria and discussed amalgamating it with Regulation 1, Licensing - Contestants and Seconds, and amending it. They will draft recommendations over the next week using the gap analysis tool and plan to share them with the Commission before the next meeting for approval in May.

R. Khullar and K. Malahy have yet to be able to meet on Policy 13 - Drug Testing. T. Kelly volunteered to step in and help because of scheduling conflicts. F. Gavins will provide information to them on the MNP report.

N. Sacheeran and A. Soto have good information and are working on cleaning it up. They are also reviewing the MNP report.

## **7. 2024 ABC Conference**

The Commission discussed F. Gavins' attendance at the 2024 ABC Conference if City Administration will not approve the funding. If the Deputy City Manager denies the request or does not fully fund it, the Commission can vote to subsidise the trip at the next meeting. Commission members T. Kelly, B. Badry and T. Babb also expressed interest in attending the conference.

MOVED: That the commission send a minimum delegation of three Commission members to the 2024 ABC Conference in Louisville, Kentucky. MOVED

## **8. Chair's Report**

The Chair, Vice Chair and Executive Director did not meet this month due to the pending strike. They will meet prior to the May ECSC meeting.

K. Malahy may need to resign from the Commission due to conflicting priorities. The Chair has put in an inquiry with Civic Agencies to see if they can backfill the position in the middle of his term if he is unable to remain on the Commission. T. Kelly will update the commission once he has an answer.

R. Khullar will reach out to T. Kelly later in the week to set up a meeting regarding the Policy update that she was scheduled to do with K. Malahy. T. Babb volunteered to help out as well if needed.

MOVED: To receive the Chair's verbal report as presented. CARRIED

## **9. Executive Director Report**

F. Gavins reviewed the written Executive Director's report.

Administration approved to change the bylaw amendment reports to policies. This means that the requirement for a seating capacity of 4,000 is effective immediately.

The Executive Director is currently considering an event application and will post the information on the website once confirmed. F. Gavins will work with M. Pattenaude to schedule training for officials closer to the July 13 event date.

There was a discussion about giving the ECSC web page a new look. The Chair and Vice Chair will review the proposed changes in the next couple of weeks

F. Gavins is checking inventory and calibrating scales in preparation for an upcoming event. Some items are no longer needed and will need to be disposed of.

The next provincial meeting will be held on May 8, 2024. They will put together a list of events happening in Alberta. A request will be made to add Vice Chair A. Soto to the standing list of invitees and remove T. Babb.

MOVED: That the written report from the Executive Director be accepted as presented. CARRIED

(R. Khullar left the meeting at 7:34.)

## **10. Financial Statements – February 29, 2024**

The Executive Director followed up on the January financial statement and confirmed that expenses were related to the retreat and recognition for outgoing Commission members.

There are a couple of large expenses on the February report that will be confirmed at the next meeting.

MOVED: That the February 29, 2024, Financial statements be approved as presented. CARRIED

## **11. Next Meeting - May 13, 2023**

The next Commission meeting will be held virtually on May 13, 2024, at 7:00 pm.

**12. Adjournment**

MOVED: That the meeting be adjourned.

The meeting adjourned at 7:42 pm.

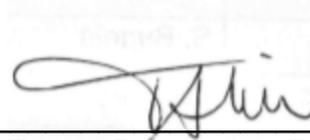
I certify that the preceding minutes represent an accurate account of the proceedings at the Commission meeting on April 8, 2024.



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Trevor Kelly, Chair

June 10, 2024

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Date



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Tracey Poberznick, Recorder