



**EDMONTON COMBATIVE SPORTS COMMISSION
FINAL
MEETING MINUTES**

**September 9, 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 7:02 pm., Monday, September 9, 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, Nateram Seecharan
Executive Director: Forrest Gavins
Recorder: Aneka Hodge
Guest: Brett Myshak

Absent with Regrets: Kevin Malahy

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 amended. CARRIED

5. Approve Minutes from Previous Meeting

MOVED: That the August 12, 2024, minutes be adopted as amended. CARRIED

6. Discussion with Muhammed Ali Centre

T. Babb brought forward the interest from Dr. Rashaad Abdur-Rahman about how the Commission could work in partnership with the Mohammed Ali Centre in some way with respect to social responsibility, racial justice, and social justice.

MOVED: T. Babb to extend an invitation to Dr. Abdur-Rahman from the Mohammed Ali Centre in Louisville for a future meeting. CARRIED

7. Policy Review Project Working Group Updates

No one had the opportunity to review [Draft ECSC Regulation 1](#). It was deferred to October's meeting. The only suggested changes are to item 2.8. A review of Regulation 1 needs to be done as it is coming up for review

T. Kelly suggested a quick revision of the existing language of Policy 13 to make it compliant with using the UFC drug testing program.

Policy 4 was assigned to A. Soto and N. Seecharan for review.

MOVED: Amend Policy 13 to add CSAT and WADA as approved bodies for the administration of drug testing and issuing sanctions. CARRIED

8. Chair's Report

The next meeting of various Alberta commissions is scheduled for September 18. T. Kelly will try to attend.

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

9. Executive Director Report

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

There is a UFC event scheduled for November 2, 2024. There is also an application for an event on November 1, which will be held outdoors to meet the 4000-person requirement. The event is looking for a heated tent with separate tents for medical, warm-up rooms, change rooms, commission rooms, officials, etc. It is currently

awaiting review by EFRS and permitting. F. Gavins is working with a consultant for the UFC event to make sure operational needs are met.

A full-day inspector training course will be held on October 19, 2024, and a refresher training course will be held before the November event. Commission members are welcome to attend.

Equipment inventory is continuing and everything has been categorized.

All referees and judges have been scheduled for UFC. The Chief Medical Advisor is putting her team together but is one short and is currently looking into additional asks such as trauma dentists and access to use scans in the arena.

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

10. Financial Statements – July 31, 2024

B. Badry's training that was charged to the wrong GL has been corrected.

MOVED: That the July 31, 2024, Financial statements be approved as presented. CARRIED

Next Meeting - October 21, 2024



The next Commission meeting will be held virtually on October 21, 2024, at 7:00 pm.

11. Adjournment

MOVED: That the meeting be adjourned. CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 8:08 pm.

I certify that the preceding minutes represent an accurate account of the proceedings at the Commission meeting on September 9, 2024.

	October 22, 2024	
_____ Trevor Kelly, Chair	_____ Date	_____ Aneka Hodge, Recorder