



**EDMONTON COMBATIVE SPORTS COMMISSION
FINAL
MEETING MINUTES**

**April 11, 2022
7:00 PM
Online via Google Meet**

1. Call to Order and Land Acknowledgement

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Daniela O'Callaghan, at 7:07 pm., Wednesday, April 11, 2022.

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 Metis settlement in the Metis Nation of Alberta in regions 2, 3 and 4. The Chair acknowledged that we respect the histories, language and cultures of First Nations, Metis and Inuit, and all First Peoples of Canada whose presence continues to enrich our community.

2. Roll Call, Recording of Attendance

Present: Chair Daniela O'Callaghan, Vice-Chair Trevor Kelly
Commission Members: Sandy Bugeja, Graham Smith,
Kevin Malahy, Tye Babb
Executive Director, Troy Courtoreille
Guest(s): Dr. Shelby Karpman
Recorder, Tracey Poberznick

Absent with Regrets: Manav Deol

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 14, 2022, minutes be adopted as circulated. CARRIED

6. Appreciation for Dr. Karpman

The Commission expressed their appreciation to Dr. Karpman for his 30 years of service with ECSC. Dr. Karpman was recognised with gifts and a plaque.

7. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair

D. O’Callaghan and T. Kelly offered to let their names stand for their respective positions as Chair and Vice-Chair. No interest was expressed by other Commission members.

MOVED: That D’ O’Callaghan be elected by acclamation as the Commission Chair and T. Kelly be elected by acclamation as Vice-Chair for the May 1, 2022, to April 30, 2023 term. CARRIED

D. O’Callaghan suggested that a past chair run the election process or appoint someone to organize the process for future elections.

8. Report and Review of Temporary Pause on Acceptance of Event Applications

The Executive Director connected with Dr. Sikora, Regional Director of Health, to review Alberta Health Services guidelines. Provincial orders or direction by the City’s COVID Task Team could effect the decision to accept applications. The Commission needs clarification on how decisions are made and will communicate this to the public. T. Courtoreille will follow up with the Task Team to see where they stand on holding events.

MOVED: That the Commission approves the acceptance of event permit applications. CARRIED

A disclaimer will be provided to anyone making an application indicating that they do so at their own risk because of constant changes due to COVID.

Administration will update the ECSC website to reflect the decision.

9. Commission Work Plan

S. Bugeja provided information on the history of the Work Plan and reviewed the draft plan circulated to the Commission.

There was discussion about holding a retreat this year. Someone would need to lead it and a budget would need to be determined. D. O'Callaghan will reach out to consultants for quotes and dates. The Commission will look at holding a hybrid option in June or September.

The Commission talked about options for member education and development for this year.

T. Babb offered to attend the upcoming Officials Training.

10. Stakeholder Engagement Working Group Update

G. Smith provided an update from the working group.

A meeting will be scheduled with K. Malahy, T. Babb and D. O'Callaghan as soon as possible to discuss the recent information from the consultants. A request was submitted for additional funding to \$14K. G. Smith will talk to them about the price increase. An itemized list justifying the increased cost was provided and was compared to the previous document. T. Courtoreille will follow up with the City's contact, Lyndsay Ward, to get more information.

11. Executive Director Report

The letter of recognition for a local athlete was vetted through Corporate Communications and will be forwarded to D. O'Callaghan for signature. Funding up to \$200 was approved to have the letter framed.

The officials refresher training will take place on April 22, 2022, and the room inspector training will be held on April 23, 2022.

There is a Provincial commission meeting scheduled for April 12, 2022.

The Executive Director reached out to those who inquired about licensing to let them know promoters' licences are currently being accepted, but there have been no applications received yet.

D. O'Callaghan has a callout to the legal department to see if the ECSC can move forward with bare-knuckle boxing applications. A recommendation will be provided to the Commission for further discussion at the next meeting. T. Courtoreille will also consult with the City's law branch.

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

CARRIED

12. Financial Statements – February 28, 2022

The payment transfer from the Commission to the City will be reported on the March statement.

MOVED: That the February 28, 2022, Financial Statement be approved as presented. CARRIED

13. Next Meeting - May 9, 2022

The next Commission meeting will be held virtually on May 9, 2022, at 7:00 pm.

14. Adjournment

MOVED: That the meeting be adjourned.

The meeting adjourned at 9:02 pm.

I certify that the preceding minutes represent an accurate account of the proceedings at the Commission meeting on April 11, 2022.

_____ Daniela O’Callaghan, Chair	_____ Date	 _____ Tracey Poberznick, Recorder
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