

EDMONTON COMBATIVE SPORTS COMMISSION DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

June 16, 2025 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 7:10pm, Monday, June 16, 2025.

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

Commission Members: Brandy Badry, Farrel Shadlyn, Rashi Khullar, Nateram Seecharan, Ally McCullough

Executive Director, Forrest Gavins

Recorder, Christopher Bishop, Tracey Poberznick

Absent with Regrets: Vice-Chair Andrew Soto

The Commission welcomed new member, F. Shadlyn.

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: May 12, 2025, minutes be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

6. Media Coverage of Hague Fatality Inquiry

F. Gavins reviewed the implementation of the Tim Hague Fatality Inquiry Recommendations: Implementation Plan.

The Commission accepted all but two recommendations. Recommendations 7, 9, 10, and 11 were accepted in principle. F. Gavins broke it down into what could be done by the Executive Director, the Commission, and the Medical Advisor.

7. Policy Review Project Working Group Updates

Revision of working group teams due to change of team members.

- Rashi and Farrel will work on Policy 10
- Brandy and Nate Policy 2
- Ali and Andrew will work on Policy 4

Discussion of policy 2 - recommendation to simplify procedure 1 to refer to section 5 of the Bylaw 15594.

MOVED: To approve Policy 2 as presented.

CARRIED

8. 2025 ABC Conference

Scheduled for New Olean's Louisiana, August 4-6 2025
The Commission will send a delegation for this year. T. Kelly, B. Badry, N. Sacheeran and F. Shadlyn expressed their interest in attending the conference.

9. Chair's Report

On May 14th, the Chair and Executive Director attended the provincial municipal commissions meeting. F Gavins presented the update on behalf of the commission's MMA event in April. Calgary and Lethbridge also reported on their events. Andrew Boitchenko replaces Joseph Schow as the Alberta minister of Tourism and Sport.

The Chair, Vice-Chair and Executive Director held their monthly meeting on June 2nd, 2025. The main topic of discussion was pausing the policy review project on to reorganize the working groups and implement changes.

10. Executive Director Report

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

Waiting on the response from the chief medical advisors for the definition of Older fighters.

Policy 7 was added to the website and labeled as repealed.

F. Gavins speaks to the implementation plan and referee training as discussed earlier, and is investigating the possibility of creating an inspector version of the same training.

In discussion with TD Bank regarding investing the funds in the Commission budget. Meeting scheduled with TD on June 25th

Canadian Commissioners committee meeting June 4th. There is nothing pressing to report. Next meeting in July.

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

CARRIED

11. Financial Statements - April 30, 2025

F. Gavins provided clarification of the breakdown of money owed to the City by the Commission. It was confirmed that various expenses had been coded back to the Commission cost centre to process the reimbursement to the City.

MOVED: That the April 30, 2025, Financial statements be approved as presented. CARRIED

12. Next Meeting - July 14, 2025

The next Commission meeting will be held virtually on July 14, 2025, at 7:00 pm.

13. Adjournment

MOVED: That the meeting be adjourned.

The meeting adjourned at 8:49 pm.

I certify that the preceding minutes represent an accurate account of the proceedings at the Commission meeting on June 16, 2025.

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Trevor Kelly, Chair	 Date	Christopher Bishop, Recorder