

EDMONTON COMBATIVE SPORTS COMMISSION FINAL MEETING MINUTES

May 12, 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 7:04 pm. Monday, May 12, 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, Vice-Chair Andrew Soto
Commission Members: Nateram Seecharan,
Brandy Badry, Ally McCullough
Executive Director, Forrest Gavins
Recorder, Tracey Poberznick
Christopher Bishop, Brett Myshak

Absent with Regrets: Farrel Shadlyn, Rashi Khullar

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 April 14, 2025, minutes be adopted as circulated. CARRIED

6. Onboarding of New Commission Members

The Commission welcomed one of the new members, A. McCullough. The other new member, F. Shadlyn, was not in attendance.

Orientation will be done at the June meeting when both new members are present.

7. Policy Review Project Working Group Updates

T. Babb notified T. Kelly that he will finish drafting and submit Regulation 2 within the next two weeks.

No other updates were provided.

The project is targeted for completion within six to twelve months.

With changes to the Commission, it was suggested that new working groups be established and policy assignments be reallocated.

8. 2025 ABC Conference

The Chair inquired about any Commission members wanting to attend the 2025 ABC conference in New Orleans from August 4 to 6, 2025. T. Kelly, N. Sacheeran, and B. Badry expressed interest in attending.

Event Official, Jordan Morley, submitted a request to the Executive Director for funding to attend the ABC Conference.

MOVED: That the commission approve funding up to \$2,000 for Jordan Morley to attend the 2025 ABC Conference. CARRIED

9. Chair's Report

On April 22, 2025, City Council approved T. Kelly's extension request to April 30, 2026.

The Manager of the Civic Agencies Team met with T. Kelly about processes and procedures associated with the Chair position.

T. Kelly provided the Civic Agencies Team with an update on the status of the Chair and Vice Chair for the January 1 to December 31, 2025 term.

The Alberta Municipal Commissions meeting will be held on May 14, 2025. T. Kelly has a conflict and will try to attend part of the meeting. F. Gavins will be in attendance.

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

10. Executive Director Report

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

T. Defreitas, the Chief Medical Advisor, is tasked with defining "older fighter." The Executive Director has also provided updated medical forms to Defreitas for review and is awaiting a response.

The Executive Director provided the ticket revenue from the Unified 61 event. All of the fees have been finalized.

Before the next event, the Commission may schedule another full-day training session for inspectors.

The ECSC website now reflects the repeal of Policy 12. An explanation regarding the removal of past policies will be added to the site.

F. Gavins provided an update on the Canadian Commissioners Committee.

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

11. Financial Statements – March 31, 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 March 31, 2025, Financial statements be approved as presented. CARRIED

12. Next Meeting - June 9, 2025

The next Commission meeting will be held virtually on June 9, 2025, at 7:00 pm.

13. Adjournment

MOVED: That the meeting be adjourned.

The meeting adjourned at 8:23 pm.

I certify that the preceding minutes represent an accurate account of the proceedings at the Commission meeting on May 12, 2025.

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June 17, 2025

Trevor Kelly, Chair

Date

Tracey Poberznick, Recorder