



ECSC

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COMMISSION**

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Board Meeting

7:30 p.m., April 11, 2016

Beaufort Building, 10835 – 120 Street

FINAL MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Vang Ioannides at 7:32 p.m.

1. Roll Call, Recording of Attendance

Present: Chair Vang Ioannides, Vice Chair Daniel Spanu
Commission Members: Owen Dawkins, Lauren Sergy,
Ron Morie, Steven Phipps
Executive Director Pat Reid
Recorder Tracey Poberznick

Absent with Regrets: None

It was noted that Commission member Lisa Smith had tendered her resignation letter last week.

2. Call for Requests to Speak from the Public

Levi Bjork attended the meeting as a member of the public. Chair, V. Ioannides welcomed L. Bjork and introduced him as the newest member of the Commission effective May 1, 2016.

3. Adopt Agenda

MOVED/SECOND: That the agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

4. Adopt Minutes from the Previous Meeting

MOVED/SECOND: That the February 8, 2016 minutes be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

5 Items Arising from Previous Meeting

Item 7 – The awards dinner was a success and was well received by recipients. There was discussion about finding an MC for next year.

Item 5 – There was discussion of future professional MMA events scheduled for Edmonton.

Item 11 – Tim Lueckenhoff formed a new organization and is holding his inaugural annual meeting in July. ECSC will continue membership in the ABC. As associate members, Canadian commissions currently do not have voting privileges at ABC, but the ABC President is proposing changes this year.

6 Financial Report

The financial report was distributed electronically to the Commission. Of note is that the commission had recently secured funds from an old investment account, and now all funds have been consolidated at TD.

There was discussion regarding the current financial status of the Commission. Discussion of the format of recording revenue and expenses resulted in some suggested changes.

Action item – P. Reid will meet with the City's financial staff in this regard, and is also asked to provide an explanation for what appears to be a high bank fee allocation in the budget. P. Reid to report back to the commission at the next meeting.

7 Chair Report Meeting with Council Members

V. Ioannides presented the Chair's report to the Community Services Committee (CSC) at the annual meeting on March 3, 2016. The CSC consists of four City Councillors and the ECSC is directly responsible to this Committee of Council. V. Ioannides noted that the CSC is supportive of our Commission, and indicated strong support for continued pursuit of the establishment of a Provincial Commission.

MOVED/SECOND: That the Commission go in camera.

CARRIED

The members of the public were asked to leave the meeting room.

MOVED/SECOND: To go back to the Commission as a whole.

CARRIED

The members of the public were invited to return to the meeting. L. Bjork returned at this time.

D. Spanu volunteered to step down as Vice Chair, but will remain as a member of the Commission.

L. Sergy nominated S. Phipps for the role of Vice Chair. O. Dawkins seconded the motion.

R. Morie moved that the nominations be closed. D. Spanu seconded the motion.

S. Phipps was elected the new Vice Chair by acclamation.

8 Event Date Approvals

A promoter is requesting a date in June; however, he has yet to pay the booking fee required before event approval can be considered. Since there is no May meeting planned, should any promoter(s) wish to book event dates for June, the chair will call a special meeting to vote on such requests.

Commission members are invited to attend the April 22, event at the Shaw Conference Centre. P. Reid extended the invite to L. Bjork as a special guest of the Commission. Those planning on attending are asked to let P. Reid know in advance and wear their ECSC blazers if possible.

9 Update on Bylaw Revisions

S. Phipps and N. Jacobsen are working on the bylaw revisions discussed at the February 8, 2016 meeting. Updated bylaws for the Commission's review will be ready for the next ECSC meeting.

Discussion ensued on the verbal request from a promoter to the ECSC to consider a bylaw change to allow for amateur MMA events to be held in Edmonton under the jurisdiction of the ECSC. It was suggested that P. Reid respond to the promoter that the ECSC first requires a written request stating the rationale for consideration of such a change. The ECSC will review and discuss the written request and a decision regarding next steps will be made at that time.

10 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for June 13, 2016, at 7:30 p.m. at the Beaufort Building.

As noted earlier, a special meeting may need to be called prior to the next meeting if there are any requests for new event dates or other urgent business.

11 New Business

The discussion of the pursuit of a provincial commission will be added to the June 13 agenda.

12 Motion to Adjourn

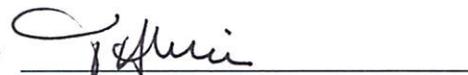
MOVED: That the meeting be adjourned.

The meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

I certify that the preceding minutes represent an accurate account of the proceeding of the Commissioners' Meeting on April 11, 2016.


Vang Ioannides, Chairman

July 11/16
Date


Tracey Poberznick, Recorder