



EDMONTON COMBATIVE SPORTS COMMISSION
Board Meeting
7:00 p.m., November 20, 2017
Room 4, Commonwealth Rec Centre

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Levi Bjork at 7:00 p.m.

1. Roll Call, Recording of Attendance

Present: Vice Chair Levi Bjork
Commission Members: Sandy Bugeja, Andrew LeMoine,
Scott Wallace, Trudy Nastiuik
Executive Director David Aitken
Recorder Tracey Poberznick

Absent with Regrets: Chair Steven Phipps

2. Call for Requests to Speak from the Public

Tamara Krawchuk requested to speak. She inquired about the following:

Question 1 - Who sanctions event match ups?

Response - The Commission sets policy and parameters for the Executive Director to approve match ups.

Question 2 - If someone has issues with operations can they be brought forward to the Commission?

Response - It is the Commission that provides oversight in regards to governance particularly with relation to Commission policies.

Question 3 - What would someone do if they had minor personnel concerns?

Response – Operational concerns would go to the Executive Director to address as required. The Commission would hear concerns and try to address them if they were within their purview. Some issues are purely operational and are addressed by City Administration. Where applicable actions of the Executive Director can be appealed to the Commission.

3. Adopt Agenda

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

4. Approve Minutes from the Previous Meeting

MOVED/SECOND: That the October 23, 2017 minutes be adopted as presented. CARRIED

5 Items Arising from Previous Meeting

a) Item 7 – Policy Review, Sept 18, 2017

There was discussion about starting the process of the Policy Review by providing some suggestions to Administration. Comments are staying at a high level until the review results are ready. There was talk about separating policy from procedure and providing more definitions for clarity of policies.

The Commission needs to decide what is the appropriate scope for public engagement with a policy review. There was discussion about the kinds of things that need to be included in policies and it was suggested that ad hoc committees look at these policies further. Administration will need to take the suggestions and identify ways to move forward with a work plan. There will likely be recommendations coming out of the review.

Administration will look into getting Commission members email addresses provided by the City.

The Commission needs to establish a framework and process for how to move forward through the review including a time frame, areas of concentration, and industry standards. D. Aitken will connect with Integrated Strategic Development with the City to get the eScans done and report back with that information. They can start with the ten point plan and the medical suspension policy. Once the process has been established, make sure it is well vetted through the industry

6 Financial Statements – September 30, 2017

MOVED/SECOND: To accept the September 30, 2017 Financial Statement as presented. CARRIED

D. Aitken provided the event log with a breakdown in costs for every event in 2017, including all of the expenses from the event themselves. Finance will continue to provide these documents. There is room for discussion about increases or decreases for event fees.

7 Executive Director Report

- a. AUMA B7 Resolution - The City of Red Deer is bringing this forward. A meeting is scheduled for November 22. The City supports the AUMA on a provincial commission.
- b. Update on Review – Administration continues to provide information to MNP at their request. The review appears to be on schedule.
- c. UFC 215 – D. Aitken has followed up with regard to concerns regarding a referee. The review has been conducted, documented, and concluded.

- d) Event dates – There is a boxing event booked for December 8 and an MMA event scheduled for December 15.
- e) Budget information – D. Aitken will provide revenue projections at the December meeting. It has also been requested that a report be provided on the annual awards banquet including history, costs, etc.
- f) 2018 budget for December meeting – All suggestions relative to moving funds to keep the budget at net zero is possible. The Commission can give the final approval at next meeting.
- g) Executive Director Report – There was a request for the creation of an Executive Director Report template to be provided to the Commission members prior to meetings so they can make changes or additions to it. D. Aitken will create a template and have it ready for 2018.

8 Chair Report

There was discussion about the annual awards banquet and the best approach moving forward. The Commission needs to decide the degree to which the banquet is subsidized as opposed to being cost recovery.

The review continues to be on schedule. The Commission is looking forward to seeing the results and discussing them.

9 Date of Next Meeting (6:00, December 18, 2017)

The date and time were approved. A. LeMoine will not be able to attend.

10 New Business

The request to bring back a past member to the Combative Sports Commission was rescinded because their name was withdrawn. The need for an additional Commission member will be discussed in December. D. Aitken will request that someone from City Clerk’s office attend the next meeting to answer any questions regarding recruitment.

11 Motion to Adjourn

MOVED: That the meeting be adjourned.

The meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

I certify that the preceding minutes represent an accurate account of the proceeding of the Commissioners’ Meeting on November 20, 2017.



 Levi Bjork, Vice Chair

12/18/17

 Date



 Tracey Poberznick, Recorder