

# EDMONTON COMBATIVE SPORTS COMMISSION FINAL MEETING MINUTES

November 20, 2023 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 7:07 pm., Monday, November 20, 2023.

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 Tye Babb

Commission Members: Kevin Malahy, Nateram Seecharan

Brandy Badry, Andrew Soto Recorder, Tracey Poberznick

Absent with Regrets: Rashi Khullar, Forrest Gavins

(Brandy Badry excused herself at 7:30)

#### 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 October 16, 2023, minutes be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED** 

#### 6. 2023 ECSC Annual Retreat Debrief

The annual retreat was held on November 19, 2023. The Commission reviewed and updated the work plan and balanced and identified different priorities. Highlights from the retreat include community building and networking, components of stakeholder engagement and the annual budget. The 2024 workflow was shared with the Commission. The ECSC discussed outstanding policies that need to be reviewed. A. Soto volunteered to create a process for the Commission to follow when reviewing policies.

#### 7. 2024 Annual Work Plan

The Annual Work Plan was tabled to the December meeting.

# 8. Policy Review Project Process

The Policy Review Process began in 2018. Policies 1, 3, 5, 8, and 14 have been reviewed so far and there are nine policies left. A. Soto volunteered to create a standardized process to review policies and provided a draft to the Commission along with a gap analysis tool. T. Kelly and T. Babb will go through the document in depth and Commission members are welcome to email the Chair if they have any feedback. The Commission will vote to implement the process at the December meeting. The review of the remaining policies is scheduled to start in January 2024.

#### 9. Policy Review Project Working Group Assignments

The Commission discussed creating three working groups of two members each to work in parallel to complete a review of the remaining policies. These working groups will be decided at the December meeting. The Commission will start by reviewing Policies 7, 9 and 13. They will then work on Policies 2, 4 and 10, and finish with Policies 6, 11 and 12.

This discussion was deferred to the December meeting.

#### 10.2024 Chair/Vice Chair Election

T. Kelly asked if anyone wanted to put their name forward for the positions of Chair and Vice Chair of the Edmonton Combative Sports Commission.

T. Kelly let his name stand for the position of Chair. No one else put their name forward.

MOVED: That T. Kelly be elected as ECSC Chair by acclamation. CARRIED

A. Soto put his name forward for Vice-Chair.

MOVED: That A. Soto be elected as ECSC Vice-Chair by acclamation. CARRIED

The positions of Chair and Vice-Chair will take effect January 1, 2024.

# 11. Chair's Report

The Chair and Vice-Chair did not meet with the Executive Director this month.

N. Seecharan confirmed that he is seeking reappointment for another term. There will be no new recruitment for 2024. T. Kelly needs to do the membership report for Jan 26, 2024.

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

# 12. Executive Director Report

No report was provided.

#### 13. Financial Statements – September 30, 2023

September Financial Statements were tabled to the December meeting.

#### 14. Holiday Get Together

The Commission discussed holding the yearly holiday dinner for its members and approved each member to bring a guest. The ECSC will pay for food, but alcohol is the responsibility of the members. An email will be sent to the Commission canvassing dates for their availability.

#### 15. Next Meeting - December 11, 2023

The next Commission meeting will be held virtually on December 11, 2023, at 7:00 pm.

#### 16. Adjournment

MOVED: That the meeting be adjourned.

The meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm.

I certify that the preceding minutes represent an accurate account of the proceedings at the Commission meeting on November 20, 2023.

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Trevor Kelly, Chair	Date	Tracey Poberznick, Recorder