



**EDMONTON COMBATIVE SPORTS COMMISSION  
FINAL  
MEETING MINUTES**

**November 18, 2019  
7:00 PM**

**Room 6, Commonwealth Community Recreation Centre**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Sandy Bugeja at 7:06 PM.

**1. Roll Call, Recording of Attendance**

**Present:** Chair Sandy Bugeja, Vice Chair Daniela O'Callaghan  
Commission Members: Tye Babb, Andrew LeMoine,  
Trevor Kelly, Steven Phipps  
Recorder Tracey Poberznick

**Absent with Regrets:** Daniel Spanu, Troy Courtoreille

**2. Call for Requests to Speak from the Public**

There were no requests to speak from the public.

**3. Adopt Agenda**

MOVED: That the agenda be adopted as presented. **CARRIED**

**4. Approve Minutes from Previous Meeting**

MOVED: That the October 21, 2019 minutes be adopted as presented. **CARRIED**

## **5. Items Arising from Previous Meeting**

### Association of Ringside Physicians (ARP) Memberships for Physicians

Initially, there were three ECSC physicians that expressed interest in having the Commission obtain ARP memberships on their behalf. Since the last meeting, it came to light that all seven physicians would like to have ARP memberships.

MOVED: That the Commission approve and fund ARP memberships for all seven physicians. CARRIED

S. Bugeja will touch base with the Executive Director to send out an email to licensed officials reminding them that the Commission has a policy that allows officials to request funding to attend key events such as the ARP annual conference.

### Appeal policy

T. Kelly and S. Bugeja volunteered to work on the appeal policy. This is an ongoing matter.

## **6. Annual Work Plan - Review Draft for 2020-2021**

S. Bugeja updated the work plan, removed anything related to 2018 and added new items as discussed. Some items have been marked as ongoing. If some of the items were led by various Commission members they could oversee these items and make sure that the Commission stays on track. This will be discussed further at the January meeting.

There was discussion about having an annual meet and greet for stakeholders. A retreat will be set up for the Commission on January 11, 2020, to do some annual planning. S. Phipps and T. Babb offered to start drafting a rough plan. A. LeMoine will look at booking the retreat at the Mosaic Centre from 9:00 until 2:00. The first regular meeting of the year will be moved to January 20, 2020.

## **7. Policy Review Project Update**

S. Bugeja reviewed the sub-committee's recommendations for Policy 1. The Commission agreed to think about the suggested changes and bring this back for a vote at the January meeting. Recommendations for Policy 8 will also be brought forward for discussion.

MOVED: That the sub-committee is authorized to contract a policy writer with a maximum budget of up to \$10,000. CARRIED

Recommendations for policy writers can be sent to D. O'Callaghan and she will provide an update at the January meeting on where this is at.

S. Bugeja will connect with T. Courtoreille regarding what set of rules other commissions follow for Muay Thai. She will also ask what the Commission's obligation is, if any, as an affiliate member of the ABC to default to ABC rules.

There was discussion about how old CT scans and MRIs can be. It was suggested that it would be beneficial to have concussion protocol in the medical policy.

The Commission wants feedback on how the Executive Director can enforce who a fighter chooses to be their seconds at an event. This would require a bylaw amendment. T. Courtoreille can follow up with other states and provinces to see what approach they use when it comes to seconds.

D. O'Callaghan will update Policy 1 based on the Commission's comments and then it can be voted on at the next meeting. S. Bugeja will touch base with D. O'Callaghan to discuss what items the Executive Director needs to follow up on.

## **8. Executive Director Report**

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

S. Bugeja will have the Executive Director send an email to the Commission asking who will be in attendance at the December event. Commission members would also like confirmation of the time and location for the weigh in.

## **9. Financial Statements – September 30, 2019**

MOVED: To receive the September 30, 2019, Financial Statements as presented. CARRIED

## **10. Chair Report**

The Chair had nothing to report.

## **11. Commission Communication**

Email can no longer be forwarded from city email addresses. It was suggested that Commission members use an app on the phone that sends notifications when there are updates. Alternatively, email can be bookmarked as a reminder to check it regularly.

## 12.2020 Meeting Schedule and Next Meeting

The next Commission meeting will be held on January 20, 2020, at which time the Commission will confirm the 2020 meeting schedule.


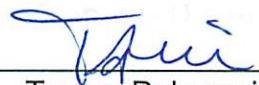
The December meeting has been cancelled and replaced with the Commission appreciation dinner on December 9, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. with a location to be determined.

## 13. Adjournment

MOVED: That the meeting be adjourned.

The meeting adjourned at 8:46 PM.

I certify that the preceding minutes represent an accurate account of the proceedings at the Commission meeting on November 18, 2019.

		
Sandy Bugeja, Chair	Date	Tracey Poberznick, Recorder