



**EDMONTON COMBATIVE SPORTS COMMISSION  
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MEETING MINUTES**

**DATE  
7:00 PM  
Online via Google Meet**

**1. Call to Order and Land Acknowledgement**

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Andrew Soto, at 7:00 pm., Monday, May 11.

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 Andrew Soto, Vice-Chair Rashi Khullar  
Commission Members: Brandy Badry, Farrel Shadlyn, Rashi Khullar,  
Nateram Seecharan, Ally McCullough, Darcy Holden  
Executive Director, Forrest Gavins  
Recorder, Christopher Bishop

**Absent with Regrets:**

**3. Guest Speaker**

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

There were no requests to speak from the public.

## 5. Adopt Agenda

**MOVED:** That the agenda be adopted as presented.  
**Adopted without objection**

## 6. Approve Minutes from Previous Meeting

**MOVED:** That the April 13, minutes be adopted as circulated.  
**Approved without objection**

## 7. Policy Review Project Working Group Updates

- **Policy 10 (Ringside Privileges):** Alexandra McCullough and Brandy Badry suggested consolidating policies, regulations, and bylaws due to confusion and redundancy.
  - **Action:** Andrew Soto recommended further discussion at the annual retreat. Forrest Gavins proposed meeting with members from Policy 10 and Policy 11 review groups to explore blending documents and crafting new ones. Darcy Holden was assigned to Policy 10 with Alexandra McCullough and Brandy Badry.
- **Policy 11 (Code of Conduct):** Farrel and Nate Seecharan are reviewing draft Codes of Conduct from other jurisdictions. Andrew Soto requested they complete the gap analysis spreadsheet to compare existing Policy 11 with the proposed drafts.
  - **Action:** Forrest Gavins offered to assist Farrel and Nate Seecharan with the gap analysis and subsequent drafting.

**MOVED:** That the Policy updates be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED**

## 8. Chair's Report

- Andrew Soto reported meeting with Rashi Khullar and Forrest Gavins to discuss the upcoming annual retreat and future planning. The Provincial Commissions meeting is scheduled for May 21st.

**MOVED:** To receive the Chair's verbal report as presented.  
**Approved without objection**

## 9. Executive Director Report

- **ABC Conference Funding:** A funding request was submitted for Forrest Gavins and Rob 7 to attend the ABC conference due to increased accountability and focus on commission funds.

- **Member Expectations:** A document detailing commission member expectations, based on city employee guidelines, was shared due to the new governance framework and enhanced accountability.
- **Event Update:** An inquiry was received from a local promoter for a boxing event on September 25th that meets the \$4,000 requirement. The promoter is proactively completing the required police information check.

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

**Approved without objection**

## **10. Financial Statements – March 2026**

**MOVED:** That the March 2026 Financial statements be approved as presented.

**Approved without objection**

## **11. New Business**

**Annual Retreat Date Selection:** Discussion of the annual retreat date was deferred to an in-camera session following the meeting, as the work plan and budget are due in the fall.

### **Motion: Approval of Executive Director’s Training Request**

- Motion:** To approve the training request for Forrest Gavins and Rob to attend the ABC Conference.
- Mover:** Farrel
- Second:** Rashi Khullar
- Result:** Motion Carried.

### **Motion: Approval of Commission Delegation to ABC Conference**

- Delegation:** Brandy Badry, Nate Seecharan, and Darcy Holden.
- Action:** Darcy Holden will submit a short business case by June 9th.
- Motion:** To send a delegation of three members to the ABC Conference (July 31 – August 5th) for up to six days, including flights, hotels, and training.
- Mover:** Farrel
- Second:** Alexandra McCullough
- Result:** Motion Carried.

## **Next Meeting - June 8, 2026**

The next Commission meeting will be held virtually on June 8, 2026 at 7:00 pm.

## **12. Adjournment**

MOVED: That the meeting be adjourned.  
**Approved without objection**

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

I certify that the preceding minutes represent an accurate account of the proceedings at the Commission meeting on DATE.



Andrew Soto, Chair

June 8, 2026  
Date



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Christopher Bishop, Recorder