



**Department of Licensing and Consumer Protection  
Occupational and Professional Licensing  
District of Columbia Combat Sports Commission**

**October 11, 2023  
Minutes**

The District of Columbia Combat Sports Commission held its scheduled monthly meeting on Wednesday, October 11, 2023, via Webex Teleconference.

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The public meeting was called to order by Chairman Huff at **12:10 p.m.** and attendance was taken.

Commission Members Present: **Commission Chairman Andrew Huff, Commissioner Christopher Jenkins, and, Commissioner Shawn Townsend**

Commission Members Absent: **Commissioner Kimberly Lockett and Commissioner Roger Mitchell, M.D.**

Staff Members Present: **Skip Brown – Deputy Commissioner, Justin Orrison – Legal Counsel, and Kimberly Troxler – Program Specialist**

Staff Members Absent: **Jacqueline Noisette – Deputy Administrator (OPL), Nicole McClendon – Program Manager, and Marc Nielsen, Legal Counsel**

**Agenda Item: Comments from the Commission and Staff**

- Chairman Huff – Announced as of October 1<sup>st</sup>, the grant application is now available on the Commission website. There are five \$20K grants. Encouraged everyone to get the word out.

**Agenda Item: Comments from the Public**

- George Chip, Referee – Wants to officiate at the Davis Boxing event on November 4<sup>th</sup>.
- Henry Jones, Ring Announcer – Wanted clarity on the qualifications for receiving the grant. Chairman Huff explained that the grant is geared toward non-profit organizations in DC that incorporate an anti-violence message in a combat sports program. Mr. Jones would like to revisit the idea of having a forum to discuss the grant. Chairman Huff agreed that's a good idea but scheduling at this time is an issue. He suggested having a virtual informational forum instead. Commissioner Jenkins wants to be a part of that.
- Eric Davis, Promoter – Announced he was having a media day for his November 4<sup>th</sup> boxing event.
- Anthony Scerbo, Office of Open Government – Here to monitor the meeting for compliance.
- Sharon Sands, Referee – No Comment
- Tammye Jenkins, Judge – No Comment

- Wanda Smith-Battle, Inspector – Wanted to know the location of the next boxing event. Deputy Commissioner Brown said he would speak with her offline to discuss events.

**Agenda Item: Executive Session – Closed to the Public**

- We will now go into executive session, which is closed to the public, in order to consult with our attorneys to seek legal advice; to discuss disciplinary matters; and to deliberate upon decisions in adjudication actions and proceedings, as provided by D.C. Code § 2-575(b)(4)(A), § 2-575(b)(9), and § 2-575(b)(13). We will resume the public portion of the meeting at the conclusion of the executive session. Please stand by for our return if you are participating online.

*Upon a motion duly made by Commissioner Jenkins, and properly seconded by Commissioner Townsend, the Commission unanimously voted to enter into Executive Session.*

**Agenda Item: Approval of Minutes:**

- September 13<sup>th</sup> Meeting Minutes

*Upon a motion duly made by Commissioner Jenkins and properly seconded by Commissioner Townsend, the Commission unanimously voted to approve the Meeting Minutes for September 13, 2023.*

**Agenda Item: Old Business:**

- **Disciplinary Actions – Tabled**

**Agenda Item: New Business:**

- None

**Agenda Item: Events to Approve:**

- **Professional Fighters League (PFL) MMA Event – Friday, November 24<sup>th</sup> @ The Anthem**

*Upon a motion duly made by Commissioner Jenkins and properly seconded by Commissioner Townsend, the Commission unanimously voted to approve this event contingent upon the receipt of all required documents.*

**Agenda Item: Adjournment:**

- The meeting ended at **12:38 p.m.**

*Upon a motion duly made by Commissioner Jenkins and properly seconded by Commissioner Townsend, the Commission unanimously voted to adjourn the October 11<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Combat Sports Commission.*

The Next Regular Scheduled Meeting is **Wednesday, November 8, 2023, at noon** via WebEx Teleconference.

Respectfully submitted,

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Commission Chairman, Andrew Huff

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Date

*Minutes Recorded & Prepared by: Kimberly Troxler, DLCP/OPL Program Specialist*