

Occupational and Professional Licensing District of Columbia Combat Sports Commission

February 8, 2023 Minutes

The District of Columbia Combat Sports Commission held its scheduled monthly meeting on Wednesday, February 8, 2023, via Webex Teleconference.

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The public meeting was called to order by Chairman Huff at 12:12 pm and attendance was taken.

Commission Members Present: Commission Chairman Andrew Huff, Commissioner Christopher Jenkins, Commissioner Roger Mitchell, M.D., and Commissioner Shawn Townsend

Commission Members Absent: Commissioner Kim Lockett

Staff Members Present: Nicole McClendon – Program Coordinator, Skip Brown – Deputy Commissioner, Marc Nielsen – Legal Counsel, and Kimberly Troxler – Program Support Specialist

Staff Members Absent: None

Agenda Item: Comments from the Commission

• None

Agenda Item: Comments from the Public

• None

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 Mitchell, the Commission unanimously voted to enter into Executive Session.



Agenda Item: Minutes:

• Upon a motion duly made by Commissioner Jenkins and properly seconded by Commissioner Townsend, Commission unanimously voted to approve the Meeting Minutes for January 11, 2023.

Agenda Item: Old Business:

• MMA Training for Officials – The training will take place on Saturday & Sunday, March 18th & 19th. Chairman Huff thanked DPR Director Delano Hunter for providing facilities to help with training our officials on MMA. Deputy Commissioner Brown noted that he spoke with UFC (Ultimate Fighting Championship) regarding their interest in coming back to DC. He stated that he will also follow up with the Professional Fighters League to host their upcoming MMA events.

Agenda Item: New Business:

• **Budget Meeting** – On Thursday, February 9th, Chairman Huff and Commissioner Lockett will be meeting with staff from Council Member Kenyan McDuffie's office (Chair of the Committee on Business & Economic Development) to introduce themselves, to make some budget requests for additional grant funding for community use, and to discuss the possibility of creating a promoter's incentive fund to help defray costs for promoters who want to put on fights in the District. Chairman Huff will provide an update at the March meeting.

Agenda Item: Events to Approve:

- DC Brau Wrestling Event, Sunday, February 19th @ the DC Brau Brewery

 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 requested
 documents.
- World Wrestling Entertainment (WWE) Friday, March 3rd @ the Capital One Arena 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 requested documents.
- Davis Promotions Pro-Boxing Event, Saturday, March 25th @ The Virginia Merrick Recreation Center 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 requested documents.

Agenda Item: Adjournment:

• Commissioner Huff adjourned at 12:43 pm without objection.



The Next Scheduled Regular Meeting is **Wednesday, March 8, 2023, at noon** via Teleconference/Webex.

Respectfully submitted,
Date

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