**Department of Licensing and Consumer Protection**

**Occupational and Professional Licensing**

**District of Columbia Combat Sports Commission**

**September 11, 2024**

**Minutes**

The District of Columbia Combat Sports Commission held it scheduled monthly meetings on Wednesday, September 11th, 2024, via Webex Teleconference.

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

Commission Members Present: **Commission Chairman Andrew Huff, Commissioner** **Christopher Jenkins**, and **Commissioner Kimberly Lockett**

Commission Members Absent: **Commissioner Shawn Townsend**

Staff Members Present: **Skip Brown – Deputy Commissioner, Marc Nielsen – Legal Counsel, Terron McAbee – Program Support Specialist, Jacqueline Noisette – Deputy Administrator (OPL) and Nicole McClendon – Program Manager.**

Staff Members Absent: **None**

**Agenda Item: Comments from the Public**

* None

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

* None

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

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

During the Executive Session, the following topics were discussed: *Grant Applications for the Commission Grant Program*, disciplinary actions due to *Boxers unsportsmanlike conduct, and lateness to the Weigh-In and Event.*

**Agenda Item: Approval of Minutes:**

* July 3rd Meeting Minutes:

*Upon a motion duly made by Commissioner Jenkins, and properly seconded by Commissioner Lockett, the Commission unanimously voted to approve the meeting minutes for July 3rd, 2024* with corrections*.*

**Agenda Item: Old Business:**

* FY 24 Community Grant Update:All 3 Grantees received their initial grant award letter along with instructions, the grant and next steps. Grantees had until September 23rd to sign their grantee awards letter return for signature by Commissioner Andrew Huff so that the documents could be returned to the procurement team for further processing. The following 3 Grantees and the amounts they are receiving in a one- time payment are as followed:
* *Woodland Tigers Youth Sports & Education Program ($20,000)*

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* *Midtown Youth Academy ($18,600)*
* *Heels Off Gloves On (H.O.G.O) ($20,000)*
* Lamont Roach Pro-Boxing Event – Friday, June 28th @ ESA
* Eric Davis Pro-Boxing Event – Saturday, August 3rd @ ESA
* PFL Playoff Event – Friday, August 23rd @ The Anthem
* The New Japanese American Pro-Wrestling Event – Friday, August 30th @ ESA
* *WWE Smackdown Pro-Wrestling Event – Friday August 23rd @ Capitol One Arena*

The Commission Chairman summed up that all the previous events went well and were good events, generally.

* Eric Davis August 3rd Pro-Boxing Event Disciplinary Action

*Upon a motion duly made by Commissioner Jenkins, and properly seconded by Commissioner Lockett, the Commission unanimously voted to send letters of reprimand to the following boxers for arriving late to the Weigh-In and Eveny and for a physical altercation at the Weigh-In:*

***Late to Weigh-in***

*1. Josiyah Giles*

*2. Francois Scarboro, Jr*

*3. Brandon Quarles*

*4. Jordan White*

*5. Joshua Zimmerman*

***Late to Event***

*6. Alejandro Fugon*

*7. Joshua Zimmerman*

***Physical Altercation at Weigh-in***

*8. Francois Scarboro, Jr*

*9. Ferris Dixon, Jr*

**Agenda Item: New Business:**

* All Board Meeting will begin using the ZOOM Platform beginning October 1st, 2024; more information will be forthcoming.
* Commissioner Rodger Mitchell has resigned his commission seat. Thank you so much Dr. Mitchell for all your hard work, we wish you well and congratulations on your new exciting position.

**Agenda Item: Events to Approve:**

* Alarm.com Pro-Boxing Event- Thursday, October 17th @ The Mayflower Hotel

*Upon a motion duly made by Commissioner Lockett, and properly seconded by Commissioner Jenkins, the Commission unanimously voted to approve the event with reduced number of required rounds and pending receipt of required documents.*

* Eric Davis Pro-Boxing Event -- Saturday, November 2nd @ The ESA

*Upon a motion duly made by Commissioner Locket, and properly seconded by Commissioner Jenkins, the Commission unanimously voted to approve the event pending receipt of required documents.*

* August 23rd, 2024 –WWE (Friday Night Smackdown) @Capitol One Arena

*Upon a motion duly made by Commissioner Jenkins, and properly seconded by Commissioner Lockett, the Commission unanimously voted to approve the event, retroactively.*

**Agenda Item: - Upcoming Event:**

* Al Davis Pro-Boxing Event – September 14th – @Hook Hall.

The Chairman announced the upcoming.

**Agenda Item: Adjournment:**

* The meeting ended at **12:50pm**.

The Next Scheduled Meeting is **Wednesday, October 9th 2024, at noon** via WebEx Teleconference.

Respectfully submitted,

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Commission Chairman, Andrew Huff

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***Minutes Prepared by: Terron McAbee, DLCP/OPL Program Specialist***