



**Occupational and Professional Licensing Administration
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Combat Sports Commission**

**March 28, 2019
Minutes**

The District of Columbia Combat Sports Commission held its scheduled meeting on Thursday, March 28, 2018 at 1100 4th Street SW, Conference Room 200A, Washington, D.C. 20024. The Commission held its Executive Session prior to the Commission public meeting.

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The public meeting was called to order by Chairman Weers at 7:14 pm and attendance was taken.

Commission Members Present: **Adam Weers, (Andrew Huff and Kim Lockett via phone)**

Commission Members Absent: **None**

Staff Members Present: **S. Skip Brown, Deputy Commissioner, Kia Winston, Attorney for the Commission, Daniel McCoy, Administrative Officer.**

Staff Members Absent: **None**

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Agenda Item: Comments from the Public:

- None.

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Agenda Item: Correspondence:

- **ABC Retire Fighters Fund:** The Chairman and Deputy Commissioner will discuss options for the best approach to respond to the request for sponsors.
- **Force 1 Promotions Request for the Commission to oversee and sanction its April 2019 boxing event on Fort Bragg Military Installation:** The Commission decided that it will not accept the request, since there is a North Carolina Commission that can sanction and officiate the event.

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Agenda Item: Minutes:

- Upon a motion duly made by Commissioner Lockett and properly seconded by Commissioner Huff, the Commission unanimously voted to approve the February 21, 2019 minutes.

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Agenda Item: Old Business:

- NOVA Pro-Wrestling: Commissioner Huff indicated that the event is cancelled and that NOVA Pro Wrestling has closed down, due to some administrative/operational issues pertaining to the wrestlers.
- 2019 Mayor's Cup/Dr. McKnight Event: Deputy Commissioner Brown indicated that there was a meeting with DPR, Bald Eagle representatives and the Commission to discuss the joining of the two (2) events. Possible dates for the Mayor's Cup event would be the last two weeks in August. It was agreed that holding a closing or final ceremony to recognize the Most Outstanding Boxer in the form of the Dr. McKnight Award, would be a suitable way to paying homage to Dr. McKnight and recognizing the family during this section of the Mayor's Cup as well.

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Agenda Item: New Business:

- Upcoming Events: Both Commissioner Huff & Deputy Commissioner Brown announced the events.
 - WWE Pro-Wrestling Event, Monday, April 1st @ the Capital One Arena
 - NuEra Promotions Amateur Muay Thai Event, Saturday, April 20th @ the Thurgood Marshall Center
 - Sean Magruder - DC Fight Night & Tricky Entertainment, Saturday, April 27th (Rescheduled)
 - Mike King, III - NOVA Pro Wrestling Event, Saturday, May 4th @ the Thurgood Marshall Center (Cancelled)
- Officials Test Development: Deputy Commissioner Brown stated that MMA and Muay Thai tests will be developed, since the existing Referee, Judge and Inspector Examinations are for boxing.
- Events Falling on Holidays: The Commission decided to look at each event request falling on a holiday on a case by case basis.



- **Commission Meeting:** The Commission decided to change its meeting days and times to the second Wednesday of each month, starting at 12:00 pm with the exception of its recess months. A WebEx will be sent out to officials to encourage participation and a quarterly or a periodic newsletter will be sent to licensees to keep them informed of Commission activities.
- **Reinstatement Application:** WWE Referee Reinstatement applications were approved and presented for the Commission's review.
- **Financial Statement Dollar Amount:** There was some discussion about having a two tier financial statement requirement.

Upon a motion duly made by Commissioner Lockett and properly seconded by Commissioner Huff, the Commission unanimously decided that for events with a 500 seating capacity or less that the required amount for a Financial Statement is \$5,000.

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Agenda Item: Adjournment:

Chairman Weers adjourned the Commission meeting at 7:48 pm EST without objection.

Respectfully submitted,

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Adam Weers, Chairperson

4.23.19

Date

Recorder & Minutes prepared by: S. Skip Brown, Deputy Commissioner