



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

January 14, 2026
Minutes

The District of Columbia Combat Sports Commission held its scheduled monthly meetings on Wednesday, January 14th, via Zoom Workplace.

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The public meeting was called to order by Andrew Huff at **12:06 PM.** and attendance was taken.

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

Commission Members Absent: **None**

Staff Members Present: **Agustin Villadares – Legal Counsel, Terron McAbee – Program Support Specialist, Kimberly Troxler – Board Administrator, Nicole McClendon – Program Manager, A’layza Mitchell – Program Support Specialist, and Demetrius Norman – Chief Customer Experience Officer.**

Staff Members Absent: **(None)**

Agenda Item: Comments from the Public

Dr. Kevin DeWeber provided an update regarding his potential participation in upcoming combat sports events. He confirmed that his combat sports medical license has been approved and expressed interest in being considered for medical staffing/physician roles at the event.

Sharon Sands expressed gratitude in working for the DC Combat Sports Commission as an Official.

Agenda Item: Comments from the Commission and Staff

Chairman Huff announced that Councilmember McDuffie, who previously oversaw the Commission, has resigned from the DC Council and entered the mayoral race. Oversight for the Commission is currently unclear, as Chairman Mendelson may redistribute the committee’s responsibilities.

Agenda Item: Approval of Minutes:

- December 10th 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 December 10th, 2025.

Agenda Item: Old Business:

- ***WWE Saturday Night's Main Event (John Cena's Final Match)***
–**Chairman Huff** reported that he and Commissioner Lockett were present backstage at the event, while Commissioner Jenkins attended in the audience. He noted that the event was a major success, with significant activity throughout Chinatown that weekend. He commended Events DC for securing the show and highlighted that it set a new gate record for the arena as well as a record for live WWE event revenue.

–**Commissioner Lockett** commended the staff for their outstanding work during the event. She specifically recognized Nicole, Kim, and the physicians for their efforts backstage, noting that she witnessed firsthand how diligently they supported the athletes and ensured all needs were met. She added that significant work was also done on the front end and expressed her appreciation to the entire team.

Agenda Item: New Business:

- ***2026 Meeting dates (2nd Wednesday of each month)***
Upon a motion duly made by Commissioner Jenkins, and properly seconded by Commissioner Townsend, the Commission unanimously voted to approve the 2026 Meeting dates for the second Wednesday of each month
- ***Circulate License Renewal Letters (60-Day and 30-Day Notices)***
Nicci reported that renewal notifications will begin circulating by the end of this week or, given the Monday holiday, no later than early next week. Staff will pull and post the list of licenses due for renewal on the website and begin sending out official communication. She noted that the team is prepared to start receiving and processing renewals to ensure they are completed in a timely manner.
- ***Discussion: Need for Additional Officials***
Nicci reported that the Commission is still seeking officials for the upcoming February 20 weigh-in and February 21 event. The remaining needs include two physicians, two referees, and one inspector. One interested candidate from Florida was unable to be accommodated due to budget limitations. Staff will draft and circulate a letter to identify available officials in Maryland and the surrounding region.

Agenda Item: - Upcoming Events

- *Davis Boxing: Grind in The Glory – February 21st , 2026*
- *Trump: White House UFC Event – June 14th, 2026 (6-Bouts)*
- *Professional Fighters League (PFL) – July 2026*

Agenda Item: Executive Session – Closed to the Public

None

Agenda Item: Adjournment:

- The meeting ended at **12:33pm**.

The Next Scheduled Meeting is **Wednesday, January 14th 2026 at noon** via Zoom Workplace.

Respectfully submitted,

Commission Chairman, Andrew Huff

Date

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