



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

**March 11, 2026
Minutes**

The District of Columbia Combat Sports Commission held its scheduled monthly meetings on Wednesday, March 11th, via Zoom Workplace.

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The public meeting was called to order by Andrew Huff at **12:00 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

Malki Kawa, Dirty Boxing Championship UFC introduced himself to the group and noted that some attendees may not have met him previously. He expressed his interest in collaborating with the Commission and stated that Dirty Boxing Championship hopes to host an event in Washington, DC.

Dr Kevin DeWeber also introduced himself.

Theo Lander introduced himself as a staff reporter with SevereMMA.com. . He stated that he is attending the meeting to ask questions related to the upcoming UFC events scheduled at the White House on June 14.

Steve Rogan introduced himself and noted that he currently works as an inspector in New York, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, and Massachusetts. He shared that he previously worked in Washington, DC in 2023 for a PFL event and expressed interest in future opportunities to work with the Commission again.

Eric Davis introduced himself and expressed that he was pleased to be present at the meeting.

Brian Dillon introduced himself as the matchmaker for Davis Promotions and thanked the Commission for allowing him to attend the meeting. He also indicated that he wished to raise a potential breach-of-contract

issue involving one of the promotion's fighters.

Eric Schunemann introduced himself as an inspector with the New York State Athletic Commission. He expressed interest in working the June 14 event at the White House, noting that he has extensive experience officiating UFC events and currently holds Secret Service clearance. He thanked the Commission for the opportunity to attend the meeting.

Agenda Item: Comments from the Commission and Staff

None

Agenda Item: Approval of Minutes:

- January 14th Meeting Minutes:

Upon a motion duly made by Commissioner Lockett, and properly seconded by Commissioner Jenkins, the Commission unanimously voted to approve the meeting minutes for January 14th, 2026.

Agenda Item: Old Business:

- ***2026 Meeting Dates***

– The Commission discussed maintaining the current meeting schedule, which is the second Wednesday of each month at 12:00 p.m., with a recess in July and August unless circumstances require a publicly noticed meeting during those months.

Upon a motion duly made by Commissioner Jenkins, and properly seconded by Commissioner Lockett, the Commission unanimously voted to maintain the current meeting schedule throughout 2026

- ***License Renewal Letters***

- Staff reported that many individuals have already renewed their licenses. It was noted that most licenses are issued and approved on a per-event basis, and staff have been contacting individuals accordingly. A notification will be sent out to ensure all licensees are aware of the renewal process and can complete their renewals in a timely manner

- ***Need for Additional Officials***

- Ms. Troxler stressed the need for a reliable pool of officials, noting that the Commission struggled during the last weekend when DC and Maryland held events simultaneously. She stated that expanding the pool is in the Commission's best interest so alternates are available when scheduling conflicts arise.

Agenda Item: New Business:

- ***Community Grants Updates***

- The Commission reported that three grants were awarded to DC nonprofits using combat sports as an anti-violence strategy. Grant funds have been fully expended, and final reports are being received, with two of the three organizations already submitting their materials. Woodland has not yet provided its report. **Nicole McClendon** stated she will follow up by email and phone, and make an in-person visit if needed. **Andrew Huff** supported involving April or Augustine if a stronger reminder of Woodland's legal obligations is required.

Agenda Item: - Upcoming Events

- ***Professional Fighters League (PFL) – July 2026***

Agenda Item: Executive Session – Closed to the Public

Motion - 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 Townsend, and properly seconded by Commissioner Jenkins, the Commission unanimously voted to move into Executive Session

- New Promoter: Dirty Boxing Championship (DBX)
- Isidro Curiel: Breach of contract
- Davis Boxing Promotion Grievance: Christopher Glen

Agenda Item: Adjournment:

- The meeting ended at **12:51pm**.

The Next Scheduled Meeting is **Wednesday, April 8th 2026 at noon** via Zoom Workplace.

Respectfully submitted,

Commission Chairman, Andrew Huff

Date



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

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