

**THOROUGHBRED OWNERS OF CALIFORNIA
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Friday, November 18, 2022 – 9:00am
Del Mar Thoroughbred Club**

MINUTES

Directors Present: Nick Alexander (on phone), Tim Cohen, Gary Fenton, Rick Gold, Ryan Hanson (on phone), Stephanie Hronis, Lindsay LaRoche (on phone), Bob Liewald, Terry Lovingier, Ed Moger (on phone), Richard Rosenberg, Samantha Siegel, Bill Strauss, Johnny Taboada (on phone)

Directors Absent: Joe Ciaglia

Staff Present: Wayne Atwell (on phone), Patricia Chinnici, Jordyn Egan, Joe Hasson, Bill Nader

Others Craig Fravel, Tom Robbins, Josh Rubinstein

1. Call to Order

Chairman Fenton called the meeting to order at 9:00 am

2. Del Mar Update

Messrs. Rubinstein and Robbins gave an update on the Del Mar autumn meet to date. Mr. Fenton asked Messrs. Rubinstein and Fravel to discuss a recent change to the CTT race meet agreement language that addressed liability. Discussion ensued.

3. Approval of Minutes

Ms. Egan informed the board that Mr. LaRoche had been added to the attendance list on the minutes from the October 21 meeting. Mr. Liewald moved to approve the minutes as amended, Ms. Siegel seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

4. Racing Affairs – Northern & Southern California

Mr. Atwell reviewed the Santa Anita Autumn 2022 Purse Projection Comparison report.

Mr. Nader explained that the Southern California Racing Affairs will meet on Monday to discuss purses at the 2022-23 Santa Anita Championship/Classic meet (Dec 26-Apr 9). Discussion ensued.

Mr. Atwell reviewed Golden Gate Fields Fall 2022 Purse Projection Comparison. He also reported that the Northern California Racing Affairs committee would meet later in the afternoon to discuss a wide variety of topics.

Mr. Hasson reviewed the horse census and reported that the horse population has increased over the past month after a drop in September.

5. HISA Update

Mr. Gold updated the board on current litigation surrounding HISA and the impact on an upcoming implementation deadline. He also reported that the first meeting of the HISA Horsemen's Advisory Group was widely representative and productive.

6. CoOp Update

Ms. Egan reported that the California Horse Power Coalition (a CoOp initiative) would be formally launched at the CHRB meeting on November 22. The launch will be accompanied by a press release, social media posts, and in-person outreach engagements in December.

7. CJWC Update

Mr. Nader gave an update on the November 2 CJWC meeting where the jockey health insurance premiums for 2023 were reviewed and approved. New sources of revenue that could benefit the CJWC (and other backstretch programs) continue to be explored. Discussion ensued.

8. Post Time Update

Mr. Nader reported that, per the Post Time meeting on November 16, the starter fee and stall charges that subsidize worker's compensation costs would both decrease by 10% in 2023. Discussion ensued.

9. Financial Update

Ms. Chinnici gave report on the TOC financials as of October 31, 2022.

Ms. Egan asked the board to consider the request for a contribution to the CTT in support of backstretch holiday activities in Northern and Southern California. Ms. Siegel made a motion to approve the \$10,000 contribution, Mr. Liewald seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Fenton gave a recap of a Women's Caucus event, attended by Senator Toni Atkins and other female legislators, at the Del Mar Hilton on November 17. Ms. Hronis and Ms. Egan were also in attendance to represent TOC.

10. Adjournment

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 am.