

**THOROUGHBRED OWNERS OF CALIFORNIA
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Friday, January 15, 2021 – 11:00 a.m.
BY TELECONFERENCE**

MINUTES

Directors Present: Nick Alexander, Bob Baffert, Jeff Bloom, Joe Ciaglia, Gary Fenton, Rick Gold, Mike Harrington, Stephanie Hronis, Bob Liewald, Terry Lovingier, Ed Moger, Jack Owens, Richard Rosenberg, Samantha Siegel, and Bill Strauss.

Directors Absent: None.

Staff Present: Greg Avioli, Mary Forney, Wayne Atwell, Joe Hasson, Patricia Chinnici, and Elsa Peron.

Others Present: Jim Gagliano, Bill Lear, and Marc Summers.

- I. Approval of Minutes
On a motion by Mr. Alexander, seconded by Mr. Fenton, the board unanimously approved the minutes of December 14, 2020.
- II. The Jockey Club Presentation on Planning for Authority
Mr. Gold introduced Messrs. Jim Gagliano, Bill Lear, and Marc Summers of The Jockey Club, who explained the new HISA legislation, including appointments for the board by the new nominating committee, encouraging nominations be made by emailing contact@HISAnom.org. Mr. Lear discussed the timeline for implementation of the legislation. They then answered questions from the board.
- III. Fasig-Tipton Presentation on 2021 California Sale
Mr. Mike Machowsky joined the call to give the board an update on the 2021 California sale and Fasig-Tipton's efforts to create a strong sales program in California. Their two-year-old sale will be at Santa Anita in June, and they are discussing plans for a yearling sale later in the year. He then answered questions from the board.
- IV. Golden Gate Fields Update
Mr. Avioli gave an update on the purse account at Golden Gate. Mr. Atwell reported on the COVID-19 safety protocols and the return of racing starting today, as well as the horse population and race entries.
- V. ADW Hub Fee Agreements
Mr. Avioli reported on the completion of the ADW hub agreements and the pending arbitration with Twin Spires. Included in the board packet documents was an analysis of purses generated from ADW wagering in California, which he reviewed.
- VI. Stabling & Vanning Letter to Trainers/New S & V Model Post 2021
Mr. Avioli reviewed the letter that was sent to California trainers from the Stabling & Vanning Committee about the current stabling and vanning situation and the necessity of a new model post 2021. It was proposed that TOC form a special

subcommittee to oversee work done by Stabling & Vanning on the new model, including Messrs. Strauss, (Chairman) Alexander, and Fenton. Mr. Alexander invited any other interested board members to be on the subcommittee. Mr. Bloom then made a motion to establish the subcommittee, which was seconded by Mr. Lovingier and carried unanimously.

VII. CHRB Board Meeting Agenda

The agenda for next week's CHRB board meeting was provided to the board for review.

VIII. Legislative Report

A. New Chair Assembly GO

Mr. Avioli reviewed a biographical summary of the new Assembly GO chair, which was provided to the board.

B. CA 2021 Priorities

Mr. Avioli reviewed a provision of CHRB law 19604(f)(4), which was provided to the board, regarding "reparations" funds to satellite wagering locations which totaled in excess of \$15M in calendar year 2020. He is working with the TOC lobbyists to begin the process of working through the legislative process to review the feasibility of the legislature reallocating at least some of these funds to more pressing current needs for the racing industry including funding rising CHRB costs, UC Davis costs and costs for the new federal authority.

IX. 2021 Board Meeting Calendar

The board reviewed the 2021 calendar, and there were no objections.

X. Racing Affairs

A. Purse Distribution Proposals from ADW

Mr. Fenton reviewed the proposed process for allocating the expected purse infusions from the ADWs. He is expecting proposals from the tracks, which will be brought to the TOC board. Mr. Avioli encouraged the board members to submit ideas. A brief discussion ensued.

B. Santa Anita and Golden Gate Fields Updates

Messrs. Avioli and Fenton reviewed the Santa Anita purse report, which was provided to the board. Mr. Avioli updated on the purse account status at Golden Gate Fields and Del Mar.

C. Horse Counts

Mr. Avioli reviewed the horse counts, which were provided to the board.

XI. Financial Report

A. December Financials

Mr. Avioli provided a financial report for December and year to date. Ms. Chinnici updated on the PPP loan TOC has applied for since the guidelines were expanded to include 501(c)(6) organizations.

XII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:27 p.m.