

**THOROUGHBRED OWNERS OF CALIFORNIA
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Friday, October 21, 2022 – 11:00am
Golden Gate Fields**

MINUTES

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

Directors Absent: Tim Cohen

Staff Present: Wayne Atwell, Patricia Chinnici, Jordyn Egan, Joe Hasson, Bill Nader

Others David Duggan, Steve Martinelli, William Rizzuto

1. Call to order
Mr. Fenton called the meeting to order at 11:00am and welcomed Mr. Nader.
2. Golden Gate Fields Update – David Duggan
Mr. Duggan updated the board on projects at Golden Gate Fields, including the summer 2022 drainage work on the backstretch. Discussion ensued.
3. Approval of Minutes
On a motion by Ms. Hronis, seconded by Mr. Taboada, the minutes of the August 12, 2022 board meeting were unanimously approved.
4. Gavin Newsom Lunch
Mr. Fenton informed the board of an upcoming lunch (Oct 25, 2022) with Governor Newsom that TOC representatives will be attending. Del Mar Thoroughbred Club, Santa Anita Park, and the CTBA will also be represented.
5. HISA Assessment Letter
Mr. Fenton introduced the HISA assessment letter item and Mr. Gold updated the board with more detail. He explained that the stakeholders will closely review the budget and maximize the credits that will be returned. Mr. Gold indicated that the new HISA Horsemen's Advisory Group (of which he is a member) will meet monthly.
6. CHRB Meeting Update
Mr. Fenton recapped the key topics of the Oct 20 CHRB meeting. Discussion ensued.
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7. Northern California Racing Affairs
Mr. Atwell reviewed the topics of discussion at the September meeting of Northern California board members. Mr. LaRoche asked for clarity on the various content deals and how they will impact owners. Discussion ensued. The group discussed the shipping reimbursement at Fresno, its impact, and how it should be structured going forward.

8. Southern California Racing Affairs

a. Los Al Winter Stakes and Purses

Mr. Fenton made a motion to accept the Los Alamitos Winter purse and stakes schedule recommendations from the Southern California Racing Affairs committee, which was seconded by Mr. Alexander. Mr. Alexander then suggested that the committee investigate the rationale behind the Soviet Problem and King Glorious Stakes (for 2yos at a mile). Discussion ensued and then the motion passed unanimously, subject to that discussion.

b. Mr. Fenton gave an update on the Santa Anita autumn meet. Discussion ensued.

9. CTBA MSW Update

Mr. Hasson updated the board on the status of the CTBA MSW bonus as of October 4. Discussion ensued.

10. Vanning Update

Moved to board briefing next Thursday.

11. Owner Relation Committee

On a motion from Ms. Hronis, seconded by Mr. Fenton, Kellie Hill and Ana Maron were unanimously approved to be added to the owner relations committee in an advisory role.

12. Board expense reimbursement policy

Mr. Fenton recommended that the board hotel reimbursement be increased to \$300 to accommodate rising hotel rates. Mr. LaRoche made a motion to accept the recommendation and it was seconded by Mr. Taboada. A majority of the board voted in favor of the motion, with one member voting no.

13. California Horse Power Coalition (CoOp)

Moved to board briefing next Thursday.

14. Next board meeting

Scheduled for November 18, 2022 at Del Mar Thoroughbred Club. Time TBC.

15. Financial Update

Ms. Chinnici gave the board a financial update as of September 30, 2022.

16. Adjournment