

# THOROUGHBRED RACING ASSOCIATION OF OKLAHOMA

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The TRAO Board Meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m., Monday, August 5, 2019 by Board President Dave Faulkner, located at TRAO building.

Roll was called and a quorum was determined.

TRAO Board members present:

Randy Blair	Yes	Mike Major	Yes
Mike Bielher	Yes	Kenny Nolen	Yes <i>(via conference)</i>
Danny Caldwell	Yes	Randy Oberlander	Yes
Boyd Caster	No	Joe Offolter	No
Dave Faulkner	Yes	C.R. Trout	No
Veronica Griggs	Yes	Robert Zoellner	Yes
Bryan Hawk	Yes		

Also, in attendance Danielle Barber, Tammy Wright, Joe Lucas, Matt Vance, Vice President of Remington Park, and Boyd Music with Englebach, Roberts & Co., PLLC.

**Robert Zoellner made a motion to approve the March 19, 2019 board meeting minutes, Danny Caldwell seconded, the motion passed unanimously.**

TRAO Board had a conference call with the Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance regarding funding, TRAO board took no action at this time.

Danielle Barber reviewed the 2019 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> quarterly financials with the board.

**Robert Zoellner made a motion to approve the 2019 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> quarterly financials, Danny Caldwell seconded, the motion passed unanimously.**

Boyd Music of Englebach Roberts & Co.Pllc., presented the TRAO Board with the findings of the 2018 TRAO audit and stated the audit was fair for all 4 companies: The Oklahoma HBPA Inc., Trust Account, Retired Horse Account and the Breeders Account.

**Randy Oberlander made a motion to approve the 2018 TRAO audit, Mike Biehler seconded, the motion passed unanimously.**

Matt Vance, Vice President of Remington Park entered the meeting at 12:00 p.m., to present the 2019 TVG proposal with the board. Mr. Vance gave the board an update on the 2018 pari-mutuel totals which showed handle having a continuous increase since the

program has been in place. Mr. Vance asked for continued support from the TRAO in the amount of \$60,000.

Danny Caldwell made a motion to continue to partner with Remington Park and TVG in the amount of \$60,000, Robert Zoellner seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Vance also requested on the behalf of the Remington Park Chaplaincy a one-time donation from the TRAO in the amount of \$50,000 to help construct a new Chaplaincy building on the backside of Remington Park, which would help service all the horsemen on the backside. Mr. Vance left the meeting at 12:30 p.m.

Robert Zoellner made a motion to donate \$50,000 to the Remington Park Chaplaincy, contingent on the OQHRA donating \$50,000, Danny Caldwell seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

Randy Blair made a motion to go into Executive Session, Bryan Hawk seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

Robert Zoellner made a motion to come out of Executive Session, Danny Caldwell seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

Joe Lucas updated the board on current legislative issues, none as of right now.

Danielle Barber presented the 2020 horsemen agreements for Remington Park, Will Rogers Downs and Fair Meadows, with no changes from the 2019 horsemen agreements.

Robert Zoellner made a motion to approve the 2020 horsemen agreements for Remington Park, Will Rogers Downs and Fair Meadows, Danny Caldwell seconded the motion passed unanimously.

Danielle Barber discussed with the board the decrease in Remington Park free play due to lack of promotions from Remington Park. This will decrease the amount of purse money to the tune of \$1mil, which will offset the 24/7.

Danielle Barber went over race dates at Will Rogers Downs for the calendar year of 2020, starting on Monday, March 16, 2020 and ending on Saturday, May 23, 2020, with a total of 29 race days.


Ms. Baber opened up discussion regarding the TRAO building on the backside of Will Rogers Downs and the intent on renting it to the WRD Chaplaincy for \$1.00 to use as clothes closet and for hosting events for all horsemen on the backside.

Danny Caldwell made a motion to allow the WRD Chaplaincy to utilize the TRAO building contingent the Chaplaincy keep renters insurance up to date and supplies a copy to the TRAO office, Robert Zoellner seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Wright discussed the procedures for the 2020 election for Trainer and Owner/Trainer. The board was given the recommendations for the Election Director, Ric Hedges (an independent CPA) and the previous three (3) election committee members consisting of Joe Alexander, Bill Anderson and Kris Richter.

Randy Oberlander made a motion to approve the procedures and the 2020 Election Committee members consisting of Joe Alexander, Bill Anderson and Kris Richter and Election Director, Ric Hedges, CPA, Mike Biehler seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

Randy Blair made a motion to adjourn, Danny Caldwell seconded the motion passed unanimously.

  
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Dave Faulkner, President

10-25-19  
Date