

# THOROUGHBRED RACING ASSOCIATION OF OKLAHOMA

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The TRAO Board Meeting was called to order at 11:30 a.m., October 30, 2018 by Board President Dave Faulkner, located in the TRAO Board Room in Oklahoma City.

Roll was called and a quorum was determined.

TRAO Board members present:

Randy Blair	Yes	Kenny Nolen	Yes
Mike Biehler	Yes	Joe Offolter	Yes
Danny Caldwell	Yes <i>(via teleconference)</i>	Randy Oberlander	Yes
Boyd Caster	Yes	C.R. Trout	Yes
Dave Faulkner	Yes	Michele Williams	No
Veronica Griggs	Yes	Robert Zoellner	Yes <i>(via teleconference)</i>

Also, in attendance: Danielle Barber, Tammy Wright, Joe Lucas and Gary Huddleston with Huddleston Investments.

**Joe Offolter made a motion to approve the August 21, 2018 TRAO board meeting minutes, C.R. Trout seconded, the motion passed unanimously.**

Danielle Barber reviewed the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter TRAO Financials with the board.

**Joe Offolter made a motion to approve the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter TRAO Financials, C.R. Trout seconded, the motion passed unanimously.**

The TRAO lobbyist Gary Huddleston with Huddleston Investments, presented his 2019 contract to the board. He left the meeting at 12:02p.m.

**C.R. Trout made a motion to accept Gary Huddleston's 2019 contract as presented, Randy Blair seconded, the motion passed unanimously.**

Joe Lucas gave the board an update on legislative issues, none at this time.

Danielle Barber reviewed the PTF update with the board and requested approval to PTF \$500,000 to the WRD OK-Bred account and \$1mil to the WRD Purse account for the 2019 Will Rogers Downs thoroughbred meet and \$450,000 to the FMT purse account and \$200,00 to the FMT OK-Bred account for the 2019 Fair Meadows thoroughbred meet.

Joe Offolter made a motion to PTF \$500,000 to the WRD OK-Bred account and \$1mil to the WRD Purse account for the 2019 Will Rogers Downs thoroughbred meet and \$450,000 to the FMT purse account and \$200,000 to the FMT OK-Bred account for the 2019 Fair Meadows thoroughbred meet, Mike Biehler seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Danielle Barber reviewed Remington Park and Will Rogers Downs signed horsemen's agreements for 2019, waiting on Fair Meadows of Tulsa's board to meet and sign their 2019 horsemen's agreement should be within the week.

Danielle Barber gave an update on the current status of RPDC, for the month of October was up \$135,000 from last year at this time.

Danielle Barber reviewed the 2018 Remington Park Purse Report and 2018 Remington Park Handle report to the board.

Danielle Barber distributed a letter from Matt Vance, Vice President of Remington Park and Michael Shamburg, Racing Secretary at Remington Park regarding the 3 year old colt/geldings and 3 year old fillies Stallion Stakes and their concern's with field size and lack of participation as well as their recommendations.

Joe Offolter made a motion to refund the nomination fee of \$1,000 to each stallion owner starting with Breeding Season of 2015 Foals of 2016-Race Year of 2019 and ending with Breeding Season of 2017 Foals of 2018-Race Year of 2021, and open the 3 year old colt/geldings and 3 year old fillies Stallion Stakes up to all progeny out of OK Bred Accredited Stallion to participate in that specific year with no nomination fees for the Stallion Bonus, C.R. Trout seconded, Randy Blair abstained, motion passed.

Danielle Barber presented the board with a letter from Spence Kidney, General Manager of Heritage Place stating they will be discontinuing the Fall Thoroughbred sale. However, Heritage Place will allow thoroughbred horses into the Fall Mixed Sale.

Danielle Barber reviewed with the TRAO Board the proposed 2019 Directive which can be amended at any time and will be submitted to the Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission on November 1, 2018.

C.R. Trout made a motion to accept the proposed 2019 Directive, Robert Zoellner seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

Unforeseen or Unfinished Business:

Danielle Barber gave an update on the Coggins Rule, still under review with the Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission.

Rule Change request 325:60-1-17 Start of a race, is on the Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission rules committee agenda set for November 7, 2018.

C.R. Trout made a motion to go into Executive Session, Randy Blair seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Randy Blair made a motion to come out of Executive Session, Kenny Nolen seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Randy Oberlander made a motion to adjourn, Kenny Nolen seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

  
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Dave Faulkner, President

11-22-18  
Date