

# THOROUGHBRED RACING ASSOCIATION of OKLAHOMA

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The TRAO Board Meeting was called to order at 11:30 a.m., December 1, 2015, by Board President Dave Faulkner.

Roll was called and a quorum was determined.

TRAO Board members present:

Kari Craddock	No	Randy Oberlander	No
Randy Blair	Yes	Joe Offolter	Yes
Ellen Caines	No	C.R. Trout	Yes
Boyd Caster	Yes	Tim Williams	Yes
Joan Charlton	Yes	Robert Zoellner	Yes
Donnie K. Von Hemel	Yes		
David Faulkner	Yes		

Also Present: Danielle Barber, Tammy Wright and Joe Lucas.

**C.R. Trout made a motion to approve the September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015 board meeting minutes, Robert Zoellner seconded the motion, and John Smicklas abstained, the motion passed.**

Joe Lucas presented the board with the TRAO lobbyist, Gary Huddleston's 2016 contract. All terms were identical to 2015; dates and session reference are the only change.

**Joe Offolter made a motion to approve Gary Huddleston's 2016 contract, John Smicklas seconded, the motion passed unanimously.**

Joe Lucas updated the board on medication and Federal Legislation.

**Robert Zoellner made a motion to approve the 2015 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Financials, C.R. Trout seconded, the motion passed unanimously.**

Dave Faulkner presented the board with the Executive Committee's recommendations for the proposed 2016 Administrative Budget, Benevolence Budget, Breeders Budget and Retired TB Budget.

**On the recommendation of the Executive Committee, Robert Zoellner made a motion to approve the 2016 Administrative Budget, Benevolence Budget,**

Breeders Budget and Retired TB Budget, Joe Offolter seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

Danielle Barber gave an update on the current status of RPDC which is up from December 2014.

Danielle Barber distributed the Remington Purse Report to the TRAO board showing that the daily average for OK Bred is up with more winning in open races.

Danielle Barber discussed the Will Rogers Downs Purse Report, showing that the average WPU is up at \$201 at this time last year it was \$183.

Danielle Barber discussed a potential purse increase for the 2016 Will Rogers Downs Thoroughbred Meet.

Robert Zoellner made a motion increase overnight purses 10% for the 2016 Will Rogers Downs Thoroughbred Meet, Boyd Caster seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

Danielle Barber gave an update on the PTF, and the amounts as of November.

**Unforeseen Business:**

Next TRAO Board meeting tentatively set for Tuesday, February 16, 2016.

C.R. Trout made a motion to adjourn, Donnie K. Von Hemel seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

  
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Dave Faulkner, President

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