

# THOROUGHBRED RACING ASSOCIATION of OKLAHOMA

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The TRAO Board Meeting was called to order at 11:10 a.m. March 7, 2014, by Executive Vice President, Joe Lucas.

Roll was called and a quorum was determined.

TRAO Board members present:

Bill Anderson	No	Randy Oberlander	Yes ( <i>arrived at 11:34</i> )
Kari Craddock	No	Joe Offolter	Yes
Randy Blair	Yes	John Smicklas	Yes
Ellen Caines	Yes	C.R. Trout	Yes
Boyd Caster	Yes	Tim Williams	Yes
Joan Charlton	Yes	Donnie K. Von Hemel	Yes
David Faulkner	Yes	Robert Zoellner	No

TRAO staff members present: Danielle Barber, Joe Lucas, Tammy Wright.

David Faulkner made a motion to approve the December 19, 2013 board meeting minutes, C.R. Trout seconded, Donnie K. Von Hemel and Tim Williams abstaining, the motion passed.

C.R. Trout made a motion to go into Executive Session, Jobe Caster seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

C.R. Trout made a motion to come out of Executive Session, Randy Blair seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

John Smicklas made a motion for TRAO to pay Mr. Teeman his pre-established claim amount based upon receipt of proper documentation for claims he submitted in 2013, motion failed due to lack of second.

Ellen Caines made a motion to rescind the motion made by John Smicklas, until the TRAO receives advice from legal counsel, after advice from legal counsel the TRAO will vote, C.R. Trout seconded, John Smicklas abstained, motion passed.

Jesse Ullery, Racing Secretary for Will Rogers downs was present for the board meeting, he stated there will be no alcohol on the backside and Will Rogers Downs will be enforcing a no tolerance rule.

Joe Lucas discussed the status of the 2014 Fair Meadows meet. Mark Enterline was contracted by FMT as the acting General Manager and the Will Rogers Downs staff will outsource to Fair Meadows for the 2014 Meet.

C.R. Trout made motion to go into Executive Session, Joan Charlton seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

Donnie K. Von Hemel made a motion to come out of Executive Session, C.R. Trout seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

Dave Faulkner made a motion to approve the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter financials, Joe Offolter seconded, the motion passed unanimously, with Tim Williams and Donnie K. Von Hemel abstaining.

The Executive Committee made a recommendation to the board to approve ALL the 2014 budgets as presented.

Joan Charlton made a motion to approve ALL 2014 budgets as presented, Ellen Caines seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

Randy Blair made a motion to approve the 2014 Employee Organizational Chart with the salaries of Administrative Assistant \$40,000, Benevolence Coordinator, \$30,000, and File Clerk \$25,000 effective 03/07/2014, C.R. Trout seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

Joe Offolter made a motion to go into Executive Session, Jobe Caster seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

C.R. Trout made a motion to come out Executive Session, John Smicklas seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

Danielle Barber discussed two stakes races at Remington Park that will not receive Black Type Status Races. (They will be Ladies on the Lawn and Oklahoma Classics Turf.)

C.R. Trout made a motion to give approval to the purse committee to negotiate with Remington Park the Black Type Status of the Ladies on the Lawn and the Oklahoma Classics Turf, John Smicklas seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

Joe Offolter made a motion to approve the 2014 contract of H.Ric Hedges, C.P.A. Joan Charlton seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

Danielle Barber discussed the Sport of Kings. Lynn Sullivan has requested a sponsorship donation of \$5,000.

Jobe Caster made a motion for TRAO to donate \$5,000 to the Thoroughbred Athletes for the Sport of Kings event at Remington Park, with the condition of intent of sponsorship, C.R. Trout seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

John Smicklas made a motion to accept the TRAO proposed board meeting dates, May 1<sup>st</sup>, July 24<sup>th</sup>, September 25<sup>th</sup>, October 30<sup>th</sup>, and December 12<sup>th</sup>, Joe Offolter seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

Joe Offolter nominated Dave Faulkner from the floor for President.

C.R. Trout made a motion to accept Dave Faulkner's nomination by acclamation, John Smicklas seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

Joan Charlton made a motion to approve the 2014 Board Committees upon the review by the new president and his recommendations, John Smicklas seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

C.R. Trout made a motion to adjourn, Joe Offolter seconded, the motion passed unanimously.



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Dave Faulkner Board President

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