

**Louisiana Thoroughbred Breeders Association
Board of Directors Meeting
October 2, 2018
Landry's Restaurant
Breaux Bridge, LA
12:00 p.m.**

Directors Present:

Jay Adcock
Brett Brinkman
Carroll Castille
Charlotte Clavier
Jake Delhomme
Tom Early
Warren J. Harang III
Michelle LaVoice
Jim Montgomery
Val Murrell
Michele Rodriguez

Directors Absent:

Danny Guidry
Neal McFadden

Others Present:

Harry Benoit
Senator Gerald Boudreaux
Julie Calzone
Roger Heitzmann
Representative Terry Landry
Linda McLellan
Ryan Robicheaux
Mike Whitler

Warren J Harang III called the meeting to order and asked Jake Delhomme to lead us in prayer.

Warren asked Roger Heitzmann to call the roll. Danny Guidry and Neal McFadden were absent. A quorum was present and the meeting was ready to proceed with business.

Warren requested from the board if there were any changes to be made in their conflict policies.

Roger Heitzmann read the following:

1. Michele Rodriguez – she owns shares in Equine Sales Of Louisiana Sale Company; breeds mares to stallions owned by other members of the board; she owns stallions with other members of the board as well. She is the Director of Louisiana Horse Rescue. She also states that she does business with many members of the LTBA as does her son who operates a public racing stable as a trainer.
2. Jim Montgomery – is a shareholder in Equine Sales of Louisiana; he a member of the board of Equine Sales; owns stallions as well as mares in partnership with Red River Farm (Jay Adcock).

With the completion of stating possible conflicts Warren moved to the approval of the minutes from the Board of Directors Meeting August 4, 2018. Tom Early made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Charlotte Clavier seconded the motion, which was voted on and approved unanimously.

Committee appointments were mailed to the board with the ten day notice. Warren requested that any board member who wished for a change whether it be an addition or subtraction of themselves to or from a committee to please make him aware. Charlotte requested that she be removed from the Membership Committee as she is currently up for re-election to the board.

Warren welcomed our guests as well as Senator Gerald Boudreaux and Representative Terry Landry.

Much discussion was made about the transfer of purses, conditions of races, disparity of purses, race days, and the future of our business and our involvement as a breed association. No motions were made.

Warren then requested committee reports.

Committee Reports:

By-Law: Val Murrell – Chairman

Val asked that his report be moved to Executive Session at the end of the meeting.

Finance and Audit: Tom Early – Chairman

Tom had no report for this meeting

Government Affairs: Jake Delhomme – Chairman

Jake again welcomed Senator Gerald Boudreaux and Representative Terry Landry. Sports' Betting was discussed as well as our presentations to the Legislature.

Grievance Committee: Michelle LaVoice - Chairperson

Michele LaVoice had no report for this meeting.

Inspection Committee: Brett Brinkman – Chairman

Brett requested that Tom and Charlotte inform the board on their work with the Department of Agriculture as well as the Animal Health, Safety and Welfare Board, and the investigations that are currently moving forward. Mike Whitler is also working on this for us as well.

LTBA/HBPA Liaison Committee: Val Murrell – Chairman

Val informed the board that we are set with the HBPA on the possible money transfer from Delta to Evangeline Downs. Discussion took place on purse structure and racing if the transfer doesn't happen.

LTBA/LSRC Liaison Committee: Jake Delhomme – Chairman

Jake once again informed the board of the issues we are working on with the HBPA as mentioned previously.

Membership & Nominating: Charlotte Clavier – Chairperson

Charlotte reminded the board that she had to resign this position as she is running this year.

Pac Committee: Michelle Rodriguez – Chairperson

Michelle had no report for this meeting.

Salary and Benefit Committee: Tom Early – Chairman

Tom had no report for this meeting.

New Business: Roger informed the Board that he will be sitting on a panel speaking about State Incentives at the upcoming Owners Conference at Churchill Downs the week prior to the Breeders Cup, October 29 through November 1st.

Warren requested that we move to Executive Session. Jake Delhomme seconded the motion which was voted on and passed unanimously.

Jay Adcock moved that we exit Executive Session. Charlotte Clavier seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed unanimously.

Charlotte made a motion to adjourn. Jake seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed unanimously.

Date, Time, Place of the next Board of Directors Meeting:

Friday December 7, 2018, at Landry's Seafood Lakefront, New Orleans at 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary-Treasurer