

**Louisiana Thoroughbred Breeders Association
Board of Directors Meeting
December 13, 2019
Copeland Tower
Metairie, Louisiana**

Directors Present:

Jay Adcock
Brett Brinkman
Charlotte Clavier
Jake Delhomme
Thomas B Early
Warren Harang III
Michelle LaVoice
Jim Montgomery
Val Murrell
Michele Rodriguez

Directors Absent:

Carrol Castille
Daniel Guidry
Neal McFadden

Others Present:

Terry Adcock
Therese Arroyo
Julie Calzone
Christine Early
Jeff Hanby
Roger Heitzmann
Chris Homberg
Linda McLellan
Mike Whitler

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

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Warren asked Roger Heitzmann to call the roll. Carrol Castille, Jake Delhomme, Daniel Guidry, and Neal McFadden were absent. A quorum was present and the meeting was ready to proceed with business.

Warren asked for approval of the minutes of the October 2, 2019 and the October 29, 2019 meetings. Charlotte Clavier made a motion that the minutes be approved. The motion was seconded by Michele Rodriguez, voted on and passed unanimously.

Warren introduced Jeff Hanby and Chris Homberg of Lookfar Labs who addressed the Board on the work being done on a new computer system for the Association. They presented the Board with the steps that have been taken so far and where we currently are in the formation of the system. They projected that we are on target with the cost as well as the time table as to when it will be introduced. They answered many questions from the board leaving everyone satisfied with the progress.

Jake Delhomme arrived for the meeting.

Attorney Alex Bonin joined the meeting by telephone.

Committee Reports:

By-Law: Val Murrell – Chairman

The board was presented two packets of rule changes drafted by Val Murrell and Jay Adcock. One set was a final made by the By-Law Committee with input from Jay and the other was input from both Val and Jay listed in different colors. Discussion took place back and forth on several of the possible changes. Rules concerning breed back or residency could not be agreed upon.

Rules on Membership changes were addressed. After much discussion Michele Rodriguez made a motion to make the changes to the amount of ownership needed to 50% from the 100% needed previously. To allow Honorary Members all benefits of a regular member, and change the wording of Part A Section 1(A) (2) (iv) as provided in the sample. This motion was seconded by Charlotte Clavier, which was voted on and passed unanimously.

Finance & Audit: Tom Early – Chairman

With Therese Arroyo being present, Tom early asked her to make the presentation of the financials. Therese asked everyone if they had a copy to which all submitted they did. Therese presented the financials to the members of the board. She requested budget adjustments to interest and miscellaneous income on the income side, as well as meeting expense and scholarships on the expense side as specified in their packets. Tom Early made a motion to accept the financials as reported and to make the needed adjustments to the budget. Charlotte Clavier seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed unanimously.

Government Affairs: Jake Delhomme – Chairman

Jake said he would speak with our lobbyist to see if he wanted to continue in that capacity. Discussion took place on the upcoming year and how we would approach it. Julie Calzone will once again set up our luncheon as well as the sponsorship of the legislative crawfish boil.

Grievance: Michele LaVoice – Chairperson

Michelle had no report at this meeting.

Inspection: Brett Brinkman – Chairman

Brett had no report for this meeting

LTBA/HBPA Liaison Committee: Val Murrell – Chairman

Val had no report for this meeting

LTBA/LSRC: Jake Delhomme – Chairman

Discussion took place on the makeup of the commission as well as who is eligible to be appointed.

Membership & Nominating Committee: Charlotte Clavier – Chairperson

No report for this meeting

PAC Committee: Michele Rodriguez – Chairperson

No report for this meeting.

Charlotte made a motion to enter Executive Session. Michele Rodriguez seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed unanimously.

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Salary & Benefits: Tom Early – Chairman

Charlotte made a motion to allocate monies for a Christmas bonus for staff. Michele Rodriguez seconded the motion which was passed unanimously. Michele notified Roger that she would let him know the amount and how it was to be divided later.

New Business:

Jay Adcock brought to the board a problem with a stallion abandoned and the ability to pay past stallion award payments to possibly recoup some monies. Tom made the motion to allow the stallion to be registered for past years. This was seconded by Jim Montgomery, which was voted on and passed unanimously.

Roger informed the board of the race numbers and the breakdown with Louisiana Breds for the Fair Grounds and Delta meets currently running.

Old Business:

None reported.

Date, Time and Place of Next Board of Directors Meeting.

The next meeting will be in conjunction with Premier Night at Delta Downs.

Charlotte made a motion to adjourn. This motion was seconded by Michele Rodriguez, which was voted on and passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Roger A. Heitzmann III