

**CALIFORNIA EXPOSITION & STATE FAIR
HORSE RACING COMMITTEE**

Committee Meeting Minutes
Friday, December 13, 2019
10:00 a.m.

MINUTES

Committee Members Present:

Board Chair Rina DiMare
Director David Mallel

Staff Present:

Chief Executive Officer (CEO)
Chief Deputy General Manager (CDGM)
Deputy General Manager-Administration (DGM)
Deputy General Manager–Business Development (DGM)
Programs Manager
Expo Events Director (AGM)
Ag Programs Manager
Recording Secretary

Rick Pickering
Tom Martinez
Samantha Brown
Margaret Mohr
Rachelle Weir
Marcia Shell
Jay Carlson
Sue O'Brien

Director Mallel called the Horse Racing Committee Meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. Roll call was taken.

GENERAL UPDATES

- a.** Update on Northern California Horse Racing Dates
CEO Pickering reported that at the December 12, 2019, meeting the California Horse Racing Board adopted the California Association of Racing Fairs calendar. It was noted that there would be 2 dark racing weeks in Southern California. One week will be during that Alameda County Fair and the other week will be during California State Fair. The CHRB board has changed with 2 new board member that support racing fairs.
- b.** Update on Sports Wagering Initiative
CEO Pickering reviewed with the committee the Sports Wagering Initiative and its language. Chris Schick of Golden Bear Racing and Watch & Wager explained how this could affect them. There was a discussion about what the committee/board options are.

MOTION:

Director Mallel moved to recommended to the full Board that Cal Expo should send their own letter of opposition unless amended to the Attorney General

and someone from Cal Expo should attend the hearings. Chair DiMare seconded the motion. **All in favor, motion passes unanimously.**

ADJOURNMENT

The Horse Racing Committee meeting adjourned at 10:28 a.m.