

CALIFORNIA EXPOSITION & STATE FAIR

Horse Racing Committee Meeting Minutes
Friday, April 24, 2015
9:30 a.m.

MINUTES

Committee Members Present:	Director Corny Gallagher
Board Members Present:	Chair David Mallel
Committee Members Absent:	Chair Mark Nelson Director Patrick O'Brien
Staff Present:	
Chief Executive Officer (CEO)	Rick Pickering
External Affairs Director	Sonya Logman
Marketing Director	Jennifer Castleberry
Programs Director	Carrie Wright
Financial Officer (FO)	Samantha Brown
Assistant General Manager, Operations (AGM)	Marcia Shell
Recording Secretary	Coco Wong
Others Present in the Audience:	
Agriculture Program Manager	Jay Carlson

Director Gallagher called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. and dispensed with reading the Mission Statement and Public Comments Statement.

Roll call was taken by Director Gallagher. CEO Rick Pickering noted absence of Chair Nelson and Director O'Brien to be excused. A quorum was present.

NEW BUSINESS

1. 2015 State Fair Racing License Application

External Affairs Director Sonya Logman noted that the final revision of the Racing License Application goes to California Horse Racing Board (CHRB) for review.

CEO Rick Pickering noted that the CHRB meeting he attended at the Golden Gate Fields on April 16. The California Horse Racing Board unanimously approved Cal Expo's request to be allowed to install the Mawsafe inside Rail System at our race rack. The rail is the same that was installed at Del Mar last year.

CEO Pickering and the Staff are pleased that the Watch & Wager distributed \$100,000 from security deposit toward the installation of a new removable Inside Rail.

Cal Expo is open to hosting additional Thoroughbred racing dates in the Spring and Fall, in addition to its three weeks of racing in July as part of the Annual State Fair.

Chair Gallagher asked for Comment. There were none.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion:

To adjourn the Committee Meeting (MSA: O'Brien/Mallel). **All in favor, motion carried unanimously.**

The Cal Expo Horse Racing Committee meeting adjourned at 9:53 a.m.