



APPEARANCES

BOARD MEMBERS

Oscar Gonzales, Vice Chair

Damascus Castellanos, Commissioner

Dennis Alfieri, Commissioner

Brenda Washington Davis, Commissioner

Thomas Hudnut, Commissioner

Peter Stern, Commissioner

STAFF

Cynthia Alameda, Deputy Executive Director

Jeff Blea, Equine Medical Director

Rita Baker, Executive Assistant

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Chapman Hopkins, Counsel, Stoll Keenon Ogden PLLC

Gene Chabrier, Vice President, Regulatory Affairs & Business  
Development, 1/ST Technology, Xpressbet, LLC, and AmTote  
International

PUBLIC COMMENT

Allen Aldrich

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no further comments will be accepted. Each person will be limited to two minutes.

7. Closed Session: For the purpose of receiving advice from counsel, considering pending litigation, reaching decisions on administrative licensing and disciplinary hearings, and personnel matters, as authorized by section 11126 of the Government Code. 20
- A. The Board may convene a Closed Session to confer with and receive advice from its legal counsel regarding the pending litigation described in the attachment to this agenda captioned "Pending Litigation," and as authorized by Government Code section 11126(e).
  - B. The Board may convene a Closed Session to confer with and receive advice from its legal counsel regarding the pending administrative licensing or disciplinary matters described in the attachment to

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this agenda captioned "Pending Administrative Adjudications," as authorized by Government Code section 11126(e).

- C. The Board may convene a Closed Session for the purposes of considering personnel matters as authorized by Government Code section 11126(a).

Adjournment

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P R O C E E D I N G S

9:31 A.M.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 21, 2025

VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Good morning, ladies and gentlemen. Chairman Ferraro is out this morning, so I'll be handling today's meeting. It's great to see everyone.

Present at today's meeting is myself, Oscar Gonzales, Vice Chair. We also have Commissioner Dennis Alfieri, Commissioner Damascus Castellanos, Commissioner Brenda Davis, Commissioner Tom Hudnut, and Commissioner Peter Stern.

Before we go on to the business of the meeting, I need to make a few comments.

The Board invites public comment on the matters appearing on the meeting agenda. Procedurally, the Board will first hear from those directly involved in the agenda item. I will then invite public comment on the agenda item. The Board will not answer questions. This item is for comment, not questions.

Unsolicited speakers are limited to just two minutes. During all public comments, a tone will sound to indicate the speaker's time is up. The Board may ask questions of individuals who speak, which may extend their two-minute limit.

1           There are public comment sign-in sheets located at  
2 the designated table for each agenda item on which the Board  
3 invites comments. There is also a sign-in sheet for those  
4 wishing to speak during the public comment period for  
5 matters not on the Board's agenda if it concerns horse  
6 racing in California. Please print your name legibly on all  
7 sign-in sheets.

8           When a matter is open for public comment and you  
9 come to the podium, introduce yourself by stating your name  
10 and organization. This is necessary for the court reporter  
11 to have a clear record of all who speak. When your two  
12 minutes is up, I'll ask you to return to your seat so that  
13 others can be heard.

14           I will insist that all speakers stay strictly on  
15 topic for each agenda item. If a speaker strays off topic,  
16 I will ask to move to the next speaker. If a speaker  
17 repeats themselves, I will ask if the speaker has any new  
18 comments to make. If there are none, the speaker will be  
19 asked to let others make comments to the Board.

20           If anyone has comments of a more general nature  
21 that are not specific to earlier agenda items, those  
22 comments must wait until agenda item number nine, the Public  
23 Comment period.

24           There will be a 30-minute time limit during the  
25 public comment period. In order to allow as many

1 individuals to speak as possible within that half hour, I  
2 will strictly enforce the two-minute time limit for each  
3 unsolicited speaker.

4 So with that, we will begin our meeting.

5 First order of business is the approval of the  
6 minutes.

7 COMMISSIONER CASTELANOS: Castellanos. Approve  
8 the minutes of August.

9 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Davis seconds.

10 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Thank you.

11 Is there any public comment on the minutes? I see  
12 none.

13 Commissioner Stern?

14 COMMISSIONER STERN: Yes.

15 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Commissioner Davis?

16 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Yes.

17 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Commissioner Alfieri?

18 COMMISSIONER ALFIERI: Yes.

19 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Commissioner Castellanos?

20 COMMISSIONER CASTELANOS: Yes.

21 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Commissioner Hudnut?

22 COMMISSIONER HUDNUT: Yes.

23 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: And Commissioner Gonzales  
24 votes yes.

25 Item number two, discussion and action by the

1 Board regarding the Keeneland Championship Sale's request  
2 for authorization of its upcoming horse sale at the  
3 Breeders' Cup in Del Mar, California, pursuant to CHRB Rule  
4 1807, Authorized Horse Sale.

5           There's no staff presenter, but we do have Mr.  
6 Chapman Hopkins, Counsel with us today. You can go to the  
7 podium.

8           MR. HOPKINS: Sure. Good morning.

9           VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Good morning.

10           MR. HOPKINS: Thanks for having me again. I'm  
11 Chapman Hopkins with Keeneland Association. I want to thank  
12 the Board for having us again this year to seek approval for  
13 what would be the second annual Keeneland Championship Sale  
14 conducted in conjunction with Breeders' Cup. We hosted the  
15 inaugural event last year in 2024, and it was by any measure  
16 a successful debut.

17           The sale ended with 5 lots sold from 10 offered,  
18 including a share in Flightline and several Breeders' Cup  
19 entrants. Overall, the sale averaged sales prices of  
20 \$865,000 per lot with a median of \$475,000. So financially  
21 a great success.

22           Beyond the sales numbers, the energy and  
23 atmosphere of the Wednesday before Breeders' Cup was  
24 tremendous. We had a huge participation from Breeders' Cup  
25 participants, sales participants, and for anybody who was

1 there, the atmosphere was really good. It was a great way  
2 to kick off Breeders' Cup week.

3 This year's sale will be conducted in the same  
4 fashion as last year. And our submission outlines the  
5 restrictions and guidelines that we believe are consistent  
6 with the CHRB Rules, specifically 1807, 1808, and 1809. I  
7 won't go through all those, but generally speaking, the sale  
8 will be structured as a digital sale with in-person bidding  
9 and digital bidding.

10 Given that it's in close proximity to the  
11 Breeders' Cup World Championships, all the catalogued horses  
12 will be offered remotely but will be available for  
13 inspection by appointment with the seller in their  
14 respective locations.

15 As a condition of sale, buyers will be prohibited  
16 from changing trainers or jockeys for the Breeders' Cup  
17 races. Any change in ownership of any horse located on the  
18 sales grounds would be memorialized by a notarized bill of  
19 sale included in Del Mar's track program and announced where  
20 necessary.

21 The Keeneland sales team is going to work with  
22 potential purchasers before the auction to ensure compliance  
23 with licensing and stable name applications, making sure all  
24 of those administrative pieces are in order.

25 All CHRB and Breeders' Cup testing and security

1 protocols will be followed and observed.

2           Again, this is consistent with the way we  
3 structured the sale last year. I think it went very  
4 smoothly. I don't anticipate any issues this year. Happy  
5 to answer any questions, but really appreciate your time.

6           VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Thank you. Appreciate it.

7           Any questions or comments from the Board?

8           The only question I have, which day and time are  
9 you planning this during that week?

10           MR. HOPKINS: Sure, so it will be the Wednesday  
11 before Breeders' Cup. I think that's October 29th. The  
12 exact time, I believe it's slated to begin around 6:00 p.m.,  
13 7:00 p.m. and it takes place in the paddock. I don't know  
14 if you saw last year, that requires a large amount of  
15 movement and logistics, but it went really seamlessly. The  
16 Keeneland team and the people they pull in were able to get  
17 all of the structural pieces in place and removed  
18 immediately following the sale.

19           VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Thank you very much. And we  
20 know there's a sale underway in Keeneland, and, you know,  
21 you being a representative, it's an important time for you  
22 and your team, so congratulations on --

23           MR. HOPKINS: It is.

24           VICE CHAIR GONZALES: -- how well the sale is  
25 going.

1 MR. HOPKINS: Thank you very much.

2 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Do we have a motion to  
3 approve?

4 COMMISSIONER HUDNUT: Hudnut approves -- moves  
5 approval of agenda item number two.

6 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Thank you, Mr. Hudnut.  
7 Is there a second?

8 COMMISSIONER STERN: Stern seconds.

9 COMMISSIONER ALFIERI: Second.

10 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Okay, Mr. Stern, thank you.  
11 We'll go through the vote.

12 Mr. Stern, how do you vote?

13 COMMISSIONER STERN: Yes.

14 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Commissioner Davis?

15 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Yes.

16 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Commissioner Alfieri?

17 COMMISSIONER ALFIERI: Yes.

18 COMMISSIONER HUDNUT: And Commissioner  
19 Castellanos?

20 COMMISSIONER CASTELANOS: Yes.

21 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: And Commissioner Hudnut?

22 COMMISSIONER HUDNUT: Yes.

23 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Motion's approved. Thank  
24 you.

25 MR. HOPKINS: Great. Thank you all so much.

1 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Item number three,  
2 discussion and action by the Board regarding an amendment to  
3 the Application for Approval to Conduct Advance Deposit  
4 Wagering of Xpressbet, LLC, pursuant to Board Rule 2072(I).

5 We have a presenter, Gene Chabrier.

6 MR. CHABRIER: Chabrier.

7 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Chabrier. Thank you. Vice  
8 President of Regulatory Affairs & Business Development.  
9 Thank you. Please.

10 MR. CHABRIER: Thank you. Good morning. Thank  
11 you for your time. I just have two items I would like your  
12 approval on, and one is we have changed banks from Wells  
13 Fargo to Western Alliance Bank. And two, we purchased the  
14 customers, basically, of DRF Bets. We were part owners of  
15 the platform before, but now we're going to be 100 percent  
16 owners, and we're rebranding that as 1/ST BET PRO. I would  
17 like your approval on getting these two up and going.

18 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Thank you. Any questions or  
19 comments from the Board?

20 Okay, we have no public comment at this time  
21 either? Okay. Great.

22 Is there a motion to approve this item as written?

23 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Davis moves approval of  
24 agenda item three.

25 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Thank you, Ms. Davis.

1 COMMISSIONER ALFIERI: Alfieri seconds.

2 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Thank you.

3 Commissioner Stern, how do you vote?

4 COMMISSIONER STERN: Yes.

5 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Commissioner Davis?

6 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Yes.

7 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Commissioner Alfieri?

8 COMMISSIONER ALFIERI: Yes.

9 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Commissioner Castellanos?

10 COMMISSIONER CASTELANOS: Yes.

11 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Commissioner Hudnut?

12 COMMISSIONER HUDNUT: Yes.

13 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Thank you. Motion approved.

14 Thank you.

15 MR. CHABRIER: Thank you.

16 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Okay, you'll be back for the

17 fourth?

18 MR. CHABRIER: Yeah. I'm not going anywhere.

19 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Okay. All right, let me

20 just read this here. Item number four, discussion and

21 action by the Board regarding the distribution of race day

22 charity proceeds of the L.A Turf Club from its 2024-2025

23 Winter/Spring Race Meeting.

24 Gene, you're back up.

25 MR. CHABRIER: Thank you. We are requesting

1 approval to distribute \$84,754 for race day charity, all of  
2 which is horse racing related.

3 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Any questions or comments  
4 from the Board? Okay.

5 We also have no public comment.

6 Is there a motion to approve this agenda item?

7 COMMISSIONER ALFIERI: Alfieri makes the motion.

8 COMMISSIONER HUDNUT: Hudnut seconds.

9 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Thank you.

10 Commissioner Stern, how do you vote?

11 COMMISSIONER STERN: Yes.

12 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Commissioner Davis?

13 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Yes.

14 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Commissioner Alfieri?

15 COMMISSIONER ALFIERI: Yes.

16 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Commissioner Castellanos?

17 COMMISSIONER CASTELANOS: Yes.

18 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: And Commissioner Hudnut?

19 COMMISSIONER HUDNUT: Yes.

20 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Thank you all. Motion

21 approved.

22 MR. CHABRIER: Thank you very much.

23 COMMISSIONER HUDNUT: Thank you very much.

24 We now have the part of the agenda where we have

25 our reports. Mr. Chaney, I should have mentioned at the

1 outset, is also out on travel, and we have in his place  
2 Cynthia, who is going to be providing the report.

3 Cynthia?

4 MS. ALAMEDA: Thank you, Mr. Vice Chairman, and  
5 good morning, Commissioners.

6 I will begin with the handle report. For the  
7 month of August, day racing handle was down 4 percent, night  
8 racing handle was up 14 percent, and total handle was down 3  
9 percent as compared to August 2024.

10 For calendar year 2025, day racing is down 6  
11 percent, night racing is up 9 percent, and total handle is  
12 down 4 percent compared to total handle for the first eight  
13 months of 2024.

14 Since the last meeting, one new employee began  
15 working at the CHRB. Analyst Rhiannon Nix began working in  
16 industry licensing. She's with us today. There she is,  
17 waving. Welcome to the CHRB.

18 (Applause)

19 MS. ALAMEDA: Lastly, I wanted to point out that  
20 the next CHRB Board meeting will be held on October 16th in  
21 Sacramento. The specific venue in Sacramento is to be  
22 determined. Please monitor the CHRB website for it and  
23 future Board meeting locations.

24 And that is the Executive Report.

25 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Thank you very much.

1 Any questions or comments from the Board about the  
2 Executive Director's Report? Okay.

3 I just want to just briefly say to Cal Expo and  
4 their team for hosting us for so many meetings, as Cynthia  
5 mentioned, this will likely be our last meeting here, but,  
6 you know, it's always a tough time when you have to open up  
7 your doors, making sure the lights are on, security, and  
8 things are straightened up. So I just want to say to Mr.  
9 Martinez and his entire team here at Cal Expo, thank you  
10 very much for being great hosts as we went through CHRB  
11 business, so thanks again.

12 And we now have the Equine Medical Director  
13 Report.

14 Dr. Jeff Blea?

15 DR. BLEA: Ah, there you go. I thought it was on.  
16 My apologies. Good morning, Vice Chairman Gonzalez,  
17 Commissioners.

18 I'm going to start off with a meeting that took  
19 place at Los Alamitos last week. There was a meeting at Los  
20 Alamitos with track management attending and regulatory  
21 veterinarians, Dr. Ferraro, myself, and Dr. Wayne  
22 McIlwraith, following last month's Board meeting in Del Mar  
23 to discuss fatalities and other issues pertaining to Los  
24 Alamitos, advanced diagnostics, including their use and  
25 their benefits, were discussed in detail, financial support

1 from Los Alamitos management for the resident horse  
2 population to include \$250 for advanced diagnostics such as  
3 the PET scanner, nuclear scintigraphy, or MRI, and \$400 for  
4 lumbar ultrasound procedures to help identify lumbar  
5 fractures, which we see in racing Quarter Horses.

6 That was detailed to everyone in attendance and  
7 was emphasized that the population in the horsemen at Los  
8 Alamitos should be taking advantage of those subsidies from  
9 management.

10 The Los Alamitos policy limiting stacking of  
11 nonsteroidals pre-race was reiterated, and I can tell you,  
12 compliance has been quite good.

13 The meeting that we had allowed for open dialogue  
14 and was very, very effective, in my opinion, for addressing  
15 the issues on the table. I was quite impressed with the  
16 cordiality and the professionalism of everyone in  
17 attendance, especially the veterinarians.

18 A meeting with the trainers and management to  
19 discuss many of these same issues is scheduled for next  
20 week. There will be a few new additional agenda items that  
21 will also be discussed next week with the horsemen,  
22 specifically the trainers.

23 Regarding fatalities in August at all CHRB racing  
24 and training enclosures, there were three musculoskeletal  
25 fatalities in racing and one gastrointestinal, or colic,

1 that occurred in August.

2 In August of this year, 234 primary blood and  
3 urine samples, including six official work bloods, were  
4 analyzed at the Maddy Lab for CHRB. 149 out-of-competition  
5 samples were also analyzed for EPO and anabolic steroids.  
6 In all testing in the month of August for CHRB, there were  
7 no reported positives.

8 This concludes my report, and I'm happy to answer  
9 any questions you may have.

10 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Thank you, Dr. Blea.

11 Any questions or comments from the Board?

12 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: I just have one.

13 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Yes.

14 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Dr. Blea, the fatalities for  
15 August, were those all at Los Alamitos?

16 DR. BLEA: No. We had two at Del Mar and one at  
17 Los Alamitos in racing.

18 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Thank you.

19 DR. BLEA: No, I stand corrected. We had one in  
20 Del Mar -- no, I was correct, two in Del Mar and one at Los  
21 Alamitos in racing.

22 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Thank you, Commissioner  
23 Davis.

24 Dr. Blea, any updates on Breeders' Cup? I know  
25 we're down to probably one meeting left before the Breeders'

1 Cup in terms of when the CHRB meets. Any updates that you  
2 have for us about Breeders' Cup?

3 DR. BLEA: No major updates. This is -- we're  
4 still in the planning phase. The Horseman's Guide has been  
5 completed. Credentials are being sorted out for everybody.  
6 The PET will, once again, from UC Davis be at Breeders' Cup,  
7 so that agreement, that contract's been signed. UC Davis is  
8 sending a team of veterinarians. I talked to Dr. Farmer  
9 yesterday, and so everything is starting to -- everyone is  
10 starting to take their place as we start rolling forward.

11 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Great. Thank you. And  
12 you'll be participating in the pre-Breeders' Cup, just kind  
13 of a horse safety panel as well, because you and Scott  
14 Chaney both did great last year, so --

15 DR. BLEA: We'll repeat the same process. In  
16 fact, in the next week or two, we'll start going, different  
17 veterinarians, including our group, Dr. Grande,  
18 specifically, and I will start looking at horses that are  
19 pre-entered in the races. We get almost a twice-a-week  
20 update as to who's pre-entered. We'll start reviewing their  
21 records, their histories, their medical histories, and then  
22 start getting a look, an eye on them and hands on them  
23 wherever they're at across the country with the utilization  
24 of different regulatory vets, not only on the Breeders' Cup  
25 but in different racing jurisdictions.

1 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Great. Thank you, Dr. Blea.  
2 There was something that caught my attention  
3 related to the Breeders' Cup in the Stewards' Minutes that  
4 may be of interest to you and Chief McHargue. It's related  
5 to the phone in the Winner's Circle there at Del Mar. It  
6 looks like there was some malfunction. So, Chief, thank you  
7 for your steward who included that in the minutes, saying it  
8 having some issues. Maybe the last day or two of Del Mar,  
9 they were having to get creative.

10 So I know it's not only for race riding  
11 communication, but also perhaps safety. So whatever you  
12 need from this Board to make sure they have a phone that  
13 operates. I know it may seem minor, but when you're in, you  
14 know, in the heat of competition, that line of communication  
15 from rider to stewards and safety folks might, you know,  
16 might make a difference. So just track that, if you would,  
17 along with Chief McHargue.

18 DR. BLEA: We will. And to my understanding, that  
19 issue will be addressed prior to Breeders' Cup, in addition  
20 to having interpreters there available --

21 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Excellent.

22 DR. BLEA: -- for the foreign and international  
23 riders.

24 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Thank you for that. Well,  
25 we look forward to hosting the Breeders' Cup again.

1 Commissioners, anything further for Dr. Blea? All  
2 right.

3 Well, thank you very much, Dr. Blea.

4 DR. BLEA: Thank you.

5 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Keep up the great work.

6 We now are moving on to public comment period.

7 Rita's bringing me over the list. Let's see what we have.

8 Thank you very much, Rita.

9 Okay, we have Mr. Allen Aldrich, a horse owner, if  
10 I could also say, on the Alameda County Fair Board and  
11 Chairman of the Racing Committee.

12 It was good to see you a couple weeks ago when I  
13 traveled up there to sit in on, you know, how Alameda's  
14 looking at 2026. But Allen, thank you for being here.

15 MR. ALDRICH: Yeah, thank you. Allen Aldrich,  
16 horse owner for the last, a lot of years, 48 years, former  
17 TOC representative.

18 In the past six months, Bernal Racing has come  
19 before this Board to ask for dates for 2025. They came  
20 three different times. They were turned down by a vote of  
21 four to three each time.

22 Bernal Racing is still functioning. They're  
23 building. I know Mr. Hudnut had questions about where would  
24 they go afterwards. For this year, for 2026, they're  
25 looking at expanding their calendar. They want racing. I

1 know Damascus had issues maybe with the union workers that,  
2 you know, were losing their jobs, and that was sad. Mr.  
3 Ferraro kept mentioning it would hurt Los Alamitos. Los  
4 Alamitos didn't respond to any of that, and they weren't  
5 against the fairs running.

6           So I just wanted to make sure to let you know that  
7 the Bernal Racing Group is still functioning. They will be  
8 coming to this Board again for race dates for 2026, and I  
9 would hope that you would look at everything that they're  
10 doing, and it's needed. Northern California racing is  
11 needed, and we can tell by the horses that have left the  
12 state.

13           I've taken all the stats from Santa Anita and Del  
14 Mar. This past Del Mar meet had 126 starters from Northern  
15 California trainers. They won six. Most of these horsemen  
16 have left the state. They went to Emerald Downs in  
17 Washington. There's now a lot of them in Grants Pass,  
18 Oregon, waiting for the Turf Paradise meet.

19           I keep reading from Mr. Nader in the TOC that  
20 horses, the horse count was up, the horses per race. Yeah,  
21 they went from 8.6 horses per race last year to 8.7 this  
22 year. So if that's good, it's not. You know, it's just not  
23 a big increase that they expected.

24           So I just want to be here to let you know that the  
25 single race meets down south, it's not working. And we need

1 Northern California as a AAA club. We had a Zoom meeting  
2 the other day with the associates from Alameda County, from  
3 Santa Rosa, from Humboldt, from the big Fresno Fair. They  
4 all want racing back in 2026.

5 So thank you.

6 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Okay. Thank you, Allen.  
7 And if you don't mind, the information you shared about the  
8 number of six, if you could share that with Mike Marten or  
9 Rita so they could share it with the Board just to see  
10 what -- you know, how many Northern California horsemen and  
11 horsewomen won, who they were? And that would just give us  
12 that data that we sometimes are looking for.

13 MR. ALDRICH: Yeah, that'd be great. And, you  
14 know, fact-checking is always good. And it seems like the  
15 TOC throws out numbers that aren't true.

16 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Thank you, Allen.  
17 Appreciate it.

18 MR. ALDRICH: Thank you.

19 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Well, we have no other  
20 public comment period, but there are a couple people that  
21 aren't here that I want to recognize.

22 Alan Balch, thank you very much from CTT. I know  
23 it's always a journey to come up here, but appreciate you  
24 being here. And I also see Chris Schick of Watch and Wager.  
25 I just want to say thank you to both of you for being here

1 and what you do for racing.

2 So, you know, with that, we're now going to go  
3 into closed session. So if we can ask, you know, non-CHRB  
4 staff to excuse yourself, you're more than welcome to join  
5 us at the end as we adjourn. But I just want to say thank  
6 you.

7 And Ms. Alameda, thank you for helping to move a  
8 meeting along pretty efficiently here. I think Scott would  
9 be jealous about how quickly we got through this, so -- and  
10 I think Dr. Ferraro would be jealous about how quickly we  
11 got through this, so good work, everyone.

12 (Off the record at 9:53 a.m.)

13 (On the record at 10:09 a.m.)

14 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Ladies and gentlemen, we are  
15 now out of closed session, back to the regularly scheduled  
16 programming. What we have left on the agenda is  
17 adjournment.

18 Is there a motion to adjourn?

19 COMMISSIONER CASTELANOS: Castellanos. Motion to  
20 adjourn.

21 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Davis seconds.

22 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: We have a motion and a  
23 second.

24 Mr. Stern, how do you vote?

25 COMMISSIONER STERN: Yes.

1 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Commissioner Davis?

2 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Yes.

3 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Alfieri? Mr. Alfieri?

4 COMMISSIONER ALFIERI: Yes.

5 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Commissioner Castellanos?

6 COMMISSIONER CASTELANOS: Yes.

7 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: And Commissioner Hudnut?

8 COMMISSIONER HUDNUT: Yes.

9 VICE CHAIR GONZALES: Great. Okay, this meeting  
10 is adjourned. I also vote yes, so we have an adjourned  
11 meeting. Thank you.

12 (The Board adjourned at 10:10 a.m.)

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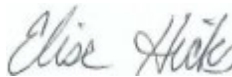
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