

**CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD**

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**REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**Date and Time:** April 17, 2025, at 9:34 a.m.

**Location:** California Exposition and State Fair Grandstand  
1600 Exposition Boulevard  
Sacramento, CA 95815

**Board Members Present:** Gregory Ferraro, Chairman  
Oscar Gonzales, Vice-Chairman  
Dennis Alfieri, Member  
Thomas Hudnut, Member  
Brenda Washington Davis, Member

**Staff Members Present:** Scott Chaney, Executive Director  
Amanda Brown, Chief Counsel  
Jeff Blea, Equine Medical Director

**Board Members Absent:** Damascus Castellanos, Member

**1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF February 20, 2025.****Motion:** Approve.**Motioned/Seconded:** Ferraro/Gonzales.**Roll call vote: Aye:** Davis, Gonzales, Alfieri, Hudnut, Ferraro. **Nay:** None. **Absent:** Castellanos. **Motion carried.**

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**2. DISCUSSION AND ACTION BY THE BOARD REGARDING THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO CHRB RULE 1693, CONTROL OF HORSES AND JOCKEYS ON ENTERING THE TRACK.****Motion:** Approve.**Motioned/Seconded:** Hudnut/Davis.**Roll call vote: Aye:** Davis, Gonzales, Alfieri, Hudnut, Ferraro. **Nay:** None. **Absent:** Castellanos. **Motion carried.**

Pages 8-10 in the Board transcript.

**3. DISCUSSION AND ACTION BY THE BOARD FOR PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO CHRB RULE 1497, CONFIDENTIALITY OF APPLICATIONS; RULE 1548, RULINGS BY THE STEWARDS.****Motion:** Approve.**Motioned/Seconded:** Alfieri/Davis.**Roll call vote: Aye:** Davis, Gonzales, Alfieri, Hudnut, Ferraro. **Nay:** None. **Absent:** Castellanos. **Motion carried.**

Pages 10-12 in the Board transcript.

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4. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION BY THE BOARD ON THE REQUEST FOR ALLOCATION OF RACING DATES BY THE ALAMEDA COUNTY FAIR AT PLEASANTON FROM JUNE 10 TO JULY 6, 2025.**

**Motion:** Approve.

**Motioned/Seconded:** Gonzales/None.

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**Motion:** Deny.

**Motioned/Seconded:** Ferraro/Hudnut.

**Roll call vote:** **Aye:** Davis, Alfieri, Hudnut, Ferraro. **Nay:** Gonzales. **Absent:** Castellanos.

**Motion to Approve Failed.**

**Motion to Deny Approval is carried.**

Pages 12-38 in the Board transcript.

5. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION BY THE BOARD REGARDING THE ALLOCATION OF RACING DATES BY THE HUMBOLDT COUNTY FAIR AT FERNDAL FROM AUGUST 13 TO SEPTEMBER 2, 2025.**

**Motion:** Approve.

**Motioned/Seconded:** Gonzales/Davis.

**Roll call vote:** **Aye:** Davis, Gonzales. **Nay:** Ferraro, Alfieri, Hudnut. **Absent:** Castellanos.

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**Motion:** Deny.

**Motioned/Seconded:** Hudnut/Alfieri.

**Roll call vote:** **Aye:** Alfieri, Hudnut, Ferraro. **Nay:** Gonzales, Davis. **Absent:** Castellanos.

**Motion to Approve Failed. Motion to Deny Failed. No Action was taken on this item.**

Pages 38-94 in the Board transcript.

6. **REPORT AND DISCUSSION ON CHRB/CAHFS POSTMORTEM PROGRAM, FATALITY REVIEW PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024.**

**Motion:** None

**Motioned/Seconded:** None

**Roll call vote:** None **No Action was taken on this item.**

Pages 94-106 in the Board transcript.

7. **REPORTS:**

**A. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Pages 106-107 in the Board transcript.

**B. EQUINE MEDICAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT.**

Pages 107-114 in the Board transcript.

8. **PUBLIC COMMENT.**

Pages 114-118 in the Board transcript.

**The Board went into Closed Session at 12:07 p.m. and adjourned at 12:14 p.m.**

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A full and complete transcript of the aforesaid proceedings are on file at the office of the California Horse Racing Board, 1010 Hurley Way, Suite 300, Sacramento, California, and therefore made a part hereof.

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**Chairman**

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**Executive Director**