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REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date and Time:	**September 9, 2026, at 9:30 a.m.**
Location:	**Los Alamitos Race Course** **Finish Line Room** **4961 E. Katella Avenue** **Los Alamitos, CA 90720**
Board Members Present:	**Gregory Ferraro, Chairman** **Oscar Gonzales, Vice-Chairman** **Dennis Alfieri, Member** **Damascus Castellanos, Member** **Peter Stern, Member**
Board Members Absent:	**Brenda Washington Davis, Member** **Thomas Hudnut, Member**
Staff Members Present:	**Scott Chaney, Executive Director** **Cynthia Alameda, Deputy Executive Director** **Vitto Racowschi, Chief of Enforcement** **Jeff Blea, Equine Medical Director**

1. **Approval Consent Calendar Items:** *Consent items are expected to be routine and noncontroversial. It is recommended that the Board adopt these items without discussion. If any interested party, member of the Board, or staff member requests that an item be removed from the Consent Calendar, it will be considered separately.*

   Action Items:
   Approval by the Board regarding the following:

   a. **Approval of the minutes of July 8, 2026.**

   b. **Approval by the Board regarding the following renewal application for license to operate a simulcast wagering facility for a period of five years: Antelope Valley Fair & Event Center (Lancaster).**

   Motion: Approve.
   Motioned/Seconded: Castellanos/Stern.
   Roll call vote: Aye: Stern, Castellanos, Gonzales, Alfieri, Ferraro. **Nay:** None. **Absent:** Davis, Hudnut. **Motion carried.**
   Pages 8 - 9 in the Board transcript.

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2. Discussion and action by the Board on the **Application for License to Conduct a Horse Racing Meeting of the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club, at Del Mar Thoroughbred Club at the Del Mar Racetrack** from November 4, 2026, through December 1, 2026.

   Motion: Approve.
   Motioned/Seconded: Alfieri/Castellanos.
   Roll call vote: Aye: Stern, Castellanos, Gonzales, Alfieri, Ferraro. **Nay:** None. **Absent:** Davis, Hudnut. **Motion carried.**
   Pages 9 - 19 in the Board transcript.

3. Discussion and action by the Board on the **Application for Approval to Conduct Advance Deposit Wagering of Xpressbet, LLC, an out-of-state multi-jurisdictional wagering hub,** from January 1, 2027, through December 31, 2028.

   Motion: Approve.
   Motioned/Seconded: Stern/Alfieri.
   Roll call vote: Aye: Stern, Castellanos, Alfieri, Ferraro. **Nay:** Gonzales. **Absent:** Davis, Hudnut. **Motion carried.**
   Pages 19 - 22 in the Board transcript.

4. Discussion and action by the Board regarding the proposed amendments to **Board Rule 2000 (Appendix), General Provisions, Article 20, Conflict of Interest, to update the Conflict-of-Interest code.**

   Motion: Approve.
   Motioned/Seconded: Castellanos/Ferraro.
   Roll call vote: Aye: Stern, Castellanos, Gonzales, Alfieri, Ferraro. **Nay:** None. **Absent:** None. **Motion carried.**
   Pages 22 - 25 in the Board transcript.

5. Discussion by the Board regarding the **future and challenges of horse racing in California.**

   Motion: None.
   Pages 25 - 37 in the Board transcript.

6. **Reports:**
   A. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**
   B. **B. EQUINE MEDICAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT.**
   Pages 37 - 52 in the Board transcript.

7. **PUBLIC COMMENT.**

   Page 52 - 58 in the Board transcript.

The Board Meeting was Adjourned at 11:42 a.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 **Executive Director**