

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THE CALIFORNIA HARNESS HORSEMEN'S ASSOCIATION  
JANUARY 17, 2016**

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Proceedings of a telephonic meeting of the Board of Directors of the California Harness Horsemen's Association (CHHA) held on January 17, 2016.

In Attendance:

David Neumeister (via phone)  
David Siegel  
Bob Johnson  
Luke Plano  
Steve Wiseman  
Robin Clements  
Richard Thomas  
Wayne Knittle (via phone)

The Executive Director informed the board of the formal resignation of board member Denise Maier which was submitted by email prior to the meeting. The board wished Denise well and thanked her for her dedicated service to the board and for her contribution to California harness racing.

The board also voted unanimously (motion by Mr. Siegel, second by Mr. Knittle) in accordance with Section III Article 2 of the Bylaws, to appoint Billie Schwartz to fulfill the unexpired term of Denise Maier. Schwartz's term will expire in March of 2017.

The board voted unanimously, with Ms. Clements, Mr. Johnson and Mr. Kittel abstaining (motion by Mr. Siegel, second by Mr. Thomas), to extend the period for incumbents and non-incumbents to notify the Executive Director of their intent to run for their seats again until January 31, 2016. The Executive Director will notify the race office to include a note on upcoming overnights regarding this extension in addition to an email notification to the emailing list(s) he maintains.

The board was informed by the Executive Director that the CHHA would award leading driver and trainer trophies based on the Fall 2015 meet and present in an upcoming Winners Circle ceremony. Mr. Kenney, speaking for Watch and Wager will issue award for the 2016 Winter/Spring meet. Hereinafter, such awards will be awarded annual for the September to May time period by Watch and Wager. The board acknowledged Watch & Wagers generosity in underwriting the cost of these awards going forward.

The board set Sunday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> for its annual meeting, time to be announced. An executive session will be scheduled just prior to or following the annual meeting.

Finally, Mr. Kenney summarized recent events in the world of Daily Fantasy Sports, and racing in particular and outlined the rationale why Watch and Wager did not enter into a Hub Agreement with Lien Games (BetAmerica) for 2016.

There being no further business to come before the CHHA board, the meeting was, upon motion, duly seconded and approved, adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

*David Siegel*

Secretary of the meeting