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AGENDA

Regularly Scheduled Meeting
Thursday, March 28, 2019, 9:30 a.m.

Meeting Location:
Agriculture Board Room
Department of Agriculture, Food and Forestry
2800 N. Lincoln Boulevard
Oklahoma City, OK 73105

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- CALL TO ORDER Mr. Lucas, Chair**
- ROLL CALL Mr. Lucas, Chair**
- BUSINESS Mr. Lucas, Chair**

A. MINUTES

The drafted Minutes of the February 21, 2019 Regularly Scheduled Commission Meeting [Item A.1] will be considered for approval.

THE FOLLOWING MATTERS ARE PRESENTED FOR CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, DEEMED APPROPRIATE BY THE COMMISSION.

B. PROPOSED DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY TO EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR MODIFICATION OF THE 10-15-15 DELEGATION REGARDING SETTING REMAINING SUSPENSION DATES

Background

Under Title 3A, Oklahoma Horse Racing Act, Section 204.B.1., Powers and Duties of the Commission, the Commission may delegate any of its authority to the Executive Director to fully implement and effectuate the purposes of the Act.

At the October 15, 2015 meeting, the Commission delegated authority to the Executive Director to set suspension dates in cases appealed to the District Court with the Court affirming the Commission's Order or the horseman dismissing the case.

Current Consideration

Commission Staff recommends that this delegation be modified to include additional circumstances in which the Executive Director may set dates for any remaining unserved suspension days.

Possible Action:

Possible action may include, but is not limited to: taking no action; modifying the delegation as recommended by Commission Staff; otherwise modifying the delegation; or continuing the matter.

C. PROPOSED FY-2020 AGENCY BUDGET

Commissioner Sanders, as Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee on Budget, Finance, Technology and Facilities, will present the proposed FY-2020 agency budget.

Possible Action:

Possible action may include, but is not limited to: taking no action, approving the budget proposal, amending the budget proposal, or continuing the matter.

D. CONTINUED DELIBERATIONS ON APPEAL OF STEWARDS' ORDER STEWARDS' ORDER 18-RP-086 AND REFERRAL BY BOARD OF STEWARDS AT REMINGTON PARK IN THE MATTER OF THERONE TRENT ALEXANDER, OWNER/TRAINER

Background

At the January 24, 2019 meeting, the Commission conducted an Appeal and Referral Hearing on Stewards' Order 18-RP-086 in which the Board of Stewards at Remington Park found Mr. Alexander to be in violation of OAC 325:35-1-5(a), Trainer Responsibility, and OAC 325:35-1-21, Tricks/Schemes Prohibited, regarding the horse, POPPIN BAYOU, while the horse was under his care during the 2018 Remington Park Spring

Quarter Horse, Paint and Appaloosa race meeting. The Board of Stewards imposed the maximum penalty within their authority of a Three Hundred Sixty Five Days [365] suspension, beginning Thursday, November 1, 2018 and continuing through Thursday, October 31, 2019.

The Board of Stewards referred the case to the Commission with the recommendation that the Commission instead, impose the greater penalty of revocation of Mr. Alexander's Owner/Trainer license. Mr. Alexander appealed the suspension.

After hearing argument and evidence, the Commission continued the matter to the March 28, 2019 meeting.

Current Consideration

The Commission will continue deliberations on the matter.

Possible Executive Session

Pursuant to 25 O.S. § 307 (B)(8) and 311 (B)(1), an Executive Session may be proposed for the purpose of continued deliberations in an individual proceeding regarding Mr. Alexander's Appeal and the Referral by the Board of Stewards at Remington Park.

1. Motion and Vote to Go Into Executive Session for the Purpose Stated Above
2. Motion and Vote to Reconvene in Open Session

Possible Action:

Possible action may include, but is not limited to: taking no action; taking preliminary action on the matter; or continuing the matter.

E. LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Chairman Lucas will give an update on (active) bills being tracked for this year's Legislative Session.

F. ANY MATTER NOT KNOWN ABOUT OR WHICH COULD NOT HAVE BEEN REASONABLY FORESEEN PRIOR TO POSTING THE AGENDA

G. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. The Oklahoma-Bred Advisory Council is scheduled to meet on May 1, 2019, starting at 1:30 p.m., in Conference Room 201, in the Department of Agriculture, Food and Forestry building.
2. The Commission's next regular meeting is scheduled for May 16, 2019 to be held in the Board Room at the Department of Agriculture, Food and Forestry.

ADJOURNMENT..... Mr. Lucas, Chair

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APRIL - MAY, 2019 CALENDAR

NO REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING IN APRIL, 2019

5/1/19 – Oklahoma-Bred Advisory Council Meeting, 1:30 p.m., Conference Room 201, Department of Agriculture, Food and Forestry, 2800 N. Lincoln Boulevard, Oklahoma City

5/2/19 – Deadline for submitting agenda topics for 5/16/19 Commission meeting

5/16/19 – Commission Regularly Scheduled Meeting, 9:30 a.m., Board Room of the Department of Agriculture, Food and Forestry, 2800 N. Lincoln Boulevard, Oklahoma City

5/27/19 – HOLIDAY [Memorial Day]

5/30/19 – Deadline for submitting agenda topics for 6/13/19 Commission meeting