Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission
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Regular Meeting
Thursday, August 20, 2026
Oklahoma Department of Agriculture
Board Room
2800 N Lincoln
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105

Minutes

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Secretary of Agriculture

James Fuser
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Vice-Chairman

Ryan Terry
Secretary

Clint O. Brookover
Member

G. R. Carter
Member

Kathleen McNally
Member

Kurt Murray
Member

Brian Burget
Member

Dr Bryant Craig
Member

Amanda English
Executive Director

Michael P. Copeland
General Counsel

Robert Duvall
Director of Law Enforcement

A. Call to Order

Chairman Fuser called the meeting to order at 9:30am.

B. Roll Call and Announcement of Quorum

Commissioners answering roll call were, Commissioner Carter, Commissioner McNally, Commissioner Murray, Commissioner Burget, Secretary Terry, Vice Chairman Gregg and Chairman Fuser. Commissioners absent were Commissioner Brookover and Commissioner Dr. Craig.

C. Discussion, Consideration, and Possible Action on Approval of Minutes

Chairman Fuser announced item C.

Commissioner Burget moved to approve minutes from June 18, 2026, Commissioner Terry seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

Motion passed 7-0-0.

D. Report and Discussion on the Racing and Gaming Conference

Chairman Fuser announced item D.

Commissioner McNally provided a report on information received and suggested action items from the recent ARCI meeting and Racing and Gaming Conference held in Saratoga Springs, New York, in August 2026.

No Action was taken.

E. Executive Staff Reports

Chairman Fuser announced consideration of item E.

Reports were given by division directors on agency progress, strategic priorities and key challenges. Directors giving reports were Executive Director Amanda English, General Counsel Michael Copeland, Chief Steward Billy Murphy, Director of Law Enforcement Robert Duvall, and Financial Manager Martha Del Rio.

F. Presentation and Discussion: Oklahoma Association for Problem Gambling & Gaming

Chairman Fuser announced item F was tabled.

No Action was taken.

G. Presentation, Discussion, and Possible Action Regarding the Fuego racing Incentive Program

Chairman Fuser announced item G.

Commissioner Terry moved to direct Commission staff to prioritize working with Fuego Racing and Remington Park to pursue the racing initiative. Commissioner Murray seconded the motion.

Motion passed 7-0-0.

H. Discussion, Consideration, and Possible action Regarding FY2027 Oklahoma Bred Funds for the OADDL Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Program and Necropsy Study.

Chairman Fuser announced item H.

Commissioner McNally moved to authorize FY2027 Oklahoma Bred funds in an amount not to exceed $75,000 for the program and study. Commissioner Carter seconded the motion.

Motion passed 7-0-0.

I. Discussion, Consideration, and Possible Action Regarding a Commission Retreat on November 19-20, 2026.

Chairman Fuser announced item I.

Commissioner McNally moved to approve November 19 and 20, 2026, as the dates for a Commission retreat in conjunction with the November 19, 2026 Regular Commission Meeting, and to authorize Commission staff to select an appropriate location, make the necessary arrangements, and incur reasonable related expenses, with any retreat session at which a quorum discusses Commission business to be separately noticed and conducted in accordance with the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act. Vice Chairman Gregg seconded the motion.

Motion passed 7-0-0.

J. Preliminary Consideration of CY 2027 Racing and Gaming Applications

Chairman Fuser announced item J.

The Commission received renewal applications from Remington Park, Will Rogers Downs, and Fair Meadows Tulsa for their respective CY 2027 racing and gaming licenses.

Mark Enterline, representing Will Rogers Downs, stated that the application was substantially similar to prior years and that Will Rogers Downs had been working with Commission staff and the other racetracks regarding possible changes to race dates.

Amanda Blair, representing Fair Meadows Tulsa, stated that its application was also similar to prior years and that Fair Meadows was working with Commission staff and the other racetracks regarding possible modifications to race dates and the number of races.

Leah England, Senior Director of Racing for Remington Park, stated that Remington Park's application was substantially similar to prior years and that Remington Park was working with the other racetracks, the Commission, and horsemen's groups regarding possible mutually beneficial date changes. She also noted a requested change in the contact person for the application.

General Counsel Michael Copeland provided an overview of the organizational licensing review process under Title 3A. He explained that the Commission must determine application completeness, legal and financial qualifications, race meetings and dates, and any appropriate license terms and conditions. He also outlined the anticipated staff review process, including compliance checklists, review by subject-matter staff, coordination with applicants, and subsequent consideration by the Organizational Licensee Committee before returning to the full Commission. He stated that staff briefs and draft licensing orders were anticipated for the October 15, 2026 meeting, with the goal of completing the process by the November meeting.

No action was taken.

K. Discussion, Consideration, and Possible Action Regarding Appointment of Commissioners to FY2027 Advisory Committees

Chairman Fuser announced item K.

The Commission considered the proposed FY2027 advisory committee assignments.

The proposed committee assignments were as follows:

- **Organizational Licensee Committee:** Commissioner Kathleen McNally, Commissioner Brian Burget, and Vice Chairman Courtney Gregg.
- **Horsemen Committee:** Commissioner Kathleen McNally, Commissioner G. R. Carter, and Commissioner Dr. Bryant Craig.
- **Agency Strategic Planning Committee:** Secretary Ryan Terry, Commissioner Brian Burget, and Commissioner Kurt Murray.
- **OKBred Committee:** Commissioner G. R. Carter, Commissioner Kurt Murray, and Commissioner Clint O. Brookover.
- **Legislative/Rules Committee:** Chairman James Fuser, Vice Chairman Courtney Gregg, and Secretary Ryan Terry.

Commissioner Terry moved to appoint the Commissioners to the FY2027 advisory committees in accordance with the proposed committee assignments. Commissioner McNally seconded the motion.

Motion 7-0-0.

L. Discussion, Consideration, and Possible Action Regarding CY 2027 Commission Meeting Dates

Chairman Fuser announced item L.

The Commission considered the proposed CY 2027 regular meeting schedule. The proposed dates were January 21, February 18, March 18, April 15, May 20, August 19, October 21, and November 18, 2027.

Commissioner Carter moved to approve the proposed CY 2027 Commission meeting dates, with the March 18, 2027 meeting date changed to March 11, 2027. Vice Chairman Gregg seconded the motion.

Motion 7-0-0.

M. Discussion, Consideration, and Possible Action to Authorize Development of Proposed Permanent Rule Amendments to OAC Title 325

Chairman Fuser announced item M.

The Commission considered authorizing Commission staff, working with the Legislative and Rules Committee, to evaluate and develop proposed permanent amendments to the OHRC Rules of Racing and Rules for Racetrack Gaming. The agenda specifies that no proposed rule text would be adopted and no Notice of Rulemaking Intent would be authorized at this meeting.

Commissioner Burget moved to authorize Commission staff, working with the Legislative and Rules Committee, to evaluate and develop proposed permanent amendments to OAC Title 325, including the Rules of Racing and the Rules for Racetrack Gaming, and to return proposed rule text and associated rulemaking documents to the Commission at a later meeting for consideration and possible authorization of a Notice of Rulemaking Intent. Commissioner Terry seconded the motion.

Motion 7-0-0.

N. Discussion, Consideration, and Possible Action Regarding a Hearing Officer for the Consolidated Individual Proceeding Concerning Stephen M. Wright, Linda C. Arrosa, and Gregg Gibson

Chairman Fuser announced item N.

The Commission considered whether to hear the consolidated individual proceeding itself or appoint a hearing officer pursuant to OAC 325:70-1-25.

Commissioner McNally moved to appoint a qualified Administrative Law Judge to serve as hearing examiner in the consolidated individual proceeding concerning Stephen M. Wright, Linda C. Arrosa, and Gregg Gibson, arising from Stewards' Orders 2026-REM-151, 2026-REM-152, and 2026-REM-153; to conduct the proceeding in accordance with applicable law and Commission rules; and to prepare a proposed final order containing findings of fact and conclusions of law for consideration by the Commission. Commissioner Burget seconded the motion.

Motion 7-0-0.

O. Proposed Executive Session – Pending Litigation / Confidential Attorney-Client Communications

Chairman Fuser announced item O.

Commissioner Murray moved to enter Executive Session pursuant to 25 O.S. § 307(B)(4), upon the advice of the Commission's attorney, for confidential communications concerning the pending litigation styled *Oklahoma Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association d/b/a Thoroughbred Racing Association of Oklahoma v. Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission, et al.*, Oklahoma County District Court Case No. CJ-2026-1384. Vice Chairman Gregg seconded the motion.

Motion 7-0-0.

The Commission entered Executive Session at 11:15am.

Commissioner Murray moved to exit Executive Session and reconvene in open session. Commissioner McNally seconded the motion.

Motion 7-0-0.

The Commission reconvened in open session at 11:38am.

P. New Business

Chairman Fuser announced item P.

No new business was presented.

No action was taken.

Q. Public Comment, if Authorized by the Commission

Chairman Fuser announced item Q.

No public comments were presented.

No action was taken.

R. Announcements

Chairman Fuser announced announcements.

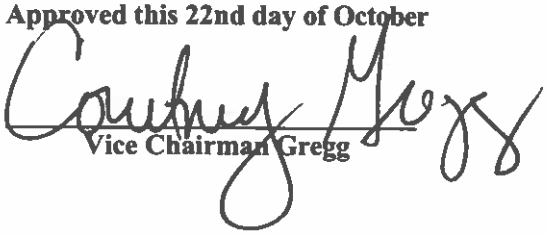
- New Commissioner Training – September 9–10, 2026, at Remington Park
- Regular Commission Meeting – October 15, 2026
- First day of live racing at Remington Park – August 21, 2026
- First day of live racing at Will Rogers Downs – September 14, 2026

No action was taken.

S. Adjournment

Chairman Fuser adjourned the meeting at 11:41am.

Approved this 22nd day of October



Vice Chairman Gregg

On behalf of the Commission: ATTEST:

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