

CALIFORNIA AUTHORITY OF RACING FAIRS
Board of Directors Meeting
Tuesday, October 7, 2025

MINUTES

A meeting of the California Authority of Racing Fairs (CARF) Board of Directors was held at 11:00 A.M., Tuesday, October 7, 2025. The meeting was held via teleconference originating from the CARF Office, 1776 Tribute Road, Sacramento, CA 95815.

CARF Board Directors joining by conference call: Daniel Castillo, Dan Jacobs, Tom Keaney, Tom Martinez, Dana Stoehr and Kelly Violini.

Staff and Guests participating via conference call: Michael Flores, Heather Haviland and Raechelle Gibbons.

Agenda Item 1 – Attendance Roll Call. Quorum present.

Agenda Item 2 – Public Comment. None.

Agenda Item 3 – Board Member Comment. None.

Agenda Item 4 – Approval of Minutes: July 1, 2025. {ACTION} Mr. Keaney moved to approve the meeting minutes from July 1, 2025, as presented. Mr. Jacobs seconded.

YES VOTE: Mr. Castillo, Mr. Jacobs, Mr. Keaney, Mr. Martinez, Ms. Stoehr, Ms. Violini. Unanimously approved, minutes adopted as presented.

Agenda Item 5 – Board Chair Update. Ms. Stoehr provided a comprehensive update regarding current CARF operations, reporting that the agency has transitioned from near-bankruptcy to stability. Ms. Stoehr provided an overview of the sale of equipment, debt negotiations and discussions with Alameda County Fair to waive the golf course indebtedness for a settlement.

The group recognized Mr. Flores, Ms. Stoehr and Mr. Jacobs for their leadership and time spent while restructuring.

Ms. Stoehr reported that new CHRB Rule 2057-12(g) mandates that all existing satellite wagering facilities submit a license application to CHRB by January 1, 2026. CARF staff will reach out to satellite managers to help facilitate submissions and will coordinate industry agreements on behalf of all members.

The group discussed the application's request for a resolution affirming that simulcast wagering is in the best interest of fair operations and came to the consensus that CARF will prepare a resolution to be adopted at the next meeting.

Agenda Item 6 – Report, Discussion, and Action, if any, on Outstanding Liabilities. Covered in Agenda Item V. and Agenda Item VII.

Agenda Item 7 – Financials. Ms. Gibbons reviewed the latest CARF financials, as presented in the meeting packet. No questions. **{ACTION}** Mr. Martinez moved to accept the financials as presented. Mr. Jacobs seconded.

YES VOTE: Mr. Castillo, Mr. Jacobs, Mr. Keaney, Mr. Martinez, Ms. Stoehr and Ms. Violini. Unanimously approved, financials adopted as presented.

Agenda Item 8 – New Business. None.

Agenda Item 9 – Closed Session: Pending Litigation pursuant to Brown Act. Section 54956.9. Ms. Stoehr reported that unanimous action was taken to settle pending litigation.

Agenda Item 10 – Adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Haviland