

**MASSACHUSETTS THROUGHbred BREEDERS ASSOCIATION**  
**Board of Director's Business Meeting Minutes**  
**May 19, 2016 2016**

**Victory Bar & Grill, Dedham, MA**

**Chairman George Brown called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM.**

**Board Members Present**

Brown, George – Chair  
Benson, Karen - alternate  
Catapano, Frank  
Currie, Bob-treasurer  
Currie, Joyce  
Janjigian, Armand  
Loebelenz, Lee  
Pereira, Donna  
Ricciardi, Archie - alternate  
Rose, Gregg  
Salim, Adel  
Stone, Ed

**Absent**

Spadea, Anthony  
Zizza, Anthony

**Guests**

Brown, Arlene –Recording Secretary  
Robbins, Bill - Accountant  
Umbrello, Paul  
Andrews, Randy  
Sullivan, Michael  
Seifert, Janet  
Reardon, Paddy  
Kareh, Jackie  
Campbell, Steve  
McCarthy, Kevin  
Clark, Susan  
Welsch, Lisa

**1.) Secretary's Report:**

The secretaries report from April 21, 2016 was read and

**Motion to accept report: Armand Janjigian Second: Joyce Currie .**

**Objection: None Abstain: None**

**2.) Treasurer's Report:**

Bill Robbins Reviewed the audit suggestions and his responses with explanation. One of the suggestions was to confirm wire transfers from Suffolk Downs with D. Lenzilli.

He also reported that the financial plan is in good shape and may be a little ahead of the plan. If revenue continues in this manner we should be able to continue our program for the next couple years as planned.

**Motion to accept report: Lee Loebelenz Second: Joyce Currie .**

**Objection: None Abstain: None**

**3.) Chairman's notes and comments**

a. Comm meetings/out of state racing - George reported that the Finger Lakes contract was signed and approved by the Racing Commission.

b.Grass race – We have contacted both Delaware Park and Laurel about running a Massbred grass race there. Laurel got back to us and expressed a willingness to do this. No response from Delaware.This cannot be considered before fall.

c.Newsletter – The newsletter was well put together and had a very appealing look. The Board of Directors should approve the content and proof reading before sending out the newsletter.

d.Facebook – Any controversial content on facebook will have to be reviewed by Chairman before action is taken

#### 4.) Old Business

a.) Request for owner awards in restricted races

A motion was made to NOT pay owner awards as MTBA already pays them their winner purse.

**Motion:** Lee Loebelenz **Second:** Gregg Rose .

**Objection:** None **Abstain:** None

#### 5.) New Business

a.) Associate member - A motion was made to NOT provide non-voting associate memberships at this time.

**Motion:** Lee Loebelenz **Second:** Gregg Rose .

**Objection:** Two **Abstain:** None

b.) MTBA Vendor List - A member requested that we update our vendor list. We will try to get a copy of this list but no one was aware that one existed.

c.) DOA registrations - It was suggested that we do our own registrations for resident mares, stallions and foals since we cannot seem to get response from the Department of Agriculture about our concerns. A motion was made to have

Arlene develop some forms and bring them to the next meeting.

**Motion:** Lee Loebelenz **Second:** Frank Catapano .

d.) TOBA nominations - Breeder: Lang Wilby and Mary Beth Reis

**Motion:** Lee Loebelenz **Second:** Gregg Rose

e.) Trophy - Motion made to present trophy photo as in the past and also a cooler for the horse with MTBA logo

**Motion:** Lee Loebelenz **Second:** Armand Janjigian

f.) By-Laws - Gregg Rose passed out a copy of the proposed by-law changes for us to take home and be prepared to discuss at the next meeting

g.) A nomination committee for the next Board of Director Election was set up consisting of Donna Pereira, Gregg Rose and Adel Salim.

#### 6.) Next Meeting

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 2016 Time: \_\_\_\_\_ PM Place: \_\_\_\_\_

#### 7.) Adjournment 8:37 PM

**Motion to adjourn** Gregg Rose **Second** Frank Catapano

**Respectfully Submitted**