

MASSACHUSETTS THROUGHbred BREEDERS ASSOCIATION
Board of Director's Annual Membership Meeting Minutes
October 25, 2016 2016

Topsider room, Suffolk Downs , MA

Chairman George Brown called the meeting to order at _____ PM.

Board Members Present

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

Absent

Ricciardi, Archie - alternate

Guests

Brown, Arlene –Recording Secretary
Robbins, Bill - Accountant
Robbins, Eric
Many members of the organization

1.) Secretary's Report:

The secretaries report from September 15, 2016 was read and accepted

Motion to accept report: Gregg Rose **Second:** Joyce Currie .

Objection: None **Abstain:** None

2.) Treasurer's Report:

Bill Robbins explained to the membership the results of the MGC meetings and the effect of the new split. The wires from the Race horse Development Fund stopped in September and by Bills calculation will not resume until mid-February due to the retroactive application of the decision. He explained that we will try to maintain a good program for next year but this decision will obviously have dire effects.

Motion to accept report: Lee Loebelenz **Second:** Anthony Zizza .

Objection: None **Abstain:** None

3.) Chairman's notes and comments:

George Brown told the membership that he will be meeting with Dr. Alex Lightbown, Catherine Blue and Ed Bedosian along with Andy Hunt and Kevin Considine (MTBA lawyer) on Tuesday Nov 1st. He had originally asked for the meeting with Stephen Crosby and Gayle Cameron but suspects that because our lawyer is attending, they chose to send their lawyers as well. He requested this meeting to try to work out a better arrangement over the retroactive payment due to the split.

4.) Old Business

a.) Application for award

Arlene Brown has for approval the application for the donation for rescue/rehab horses that will be posted on the website. A suggestion was made to add that the farm must be in Massachusetts.

She also presented the 2017 membership renewal form that will be mailed out in November.

5.) New Business

a.) Election of directors

Each candidate spoke for a few minutes and explained their interest in the MTBA. Bill Robbins explained the voting procedure. All went smoothly and the ballots – both absentee and live were counted by Bill and his son Eric under the supervision of Adel Salim and Donna Pereira.

Results: Elected to the Board for a 3 year term:

Anthony Zizza, Paul Umbrello, Karen Benson, Randy Andrews

As alternates: Frank Catapano, Robert Currie

5.) Next Meeting

Date: 11/17/2016 Time: 6:30PM Place: Victory Bar and Grill

7.) Adjournment: 8:00 PM

Motion to adjourn Gregg Rose Second Joyce Currie