

MASSACHUSETTS THOROUGHBRED BREEDERS ASSOCIATION
Meeting Minutes
DATE August 27, 2025
PLACE 3 Allied St, Dedham

Chairman Donna Pereira called the meeting to order at 6:45 PM.

Board Members Present

Brown, Arlene
Benson, Karen-On Phone
Cramer, David
Janjigian, Armand
Pereira, Donna-Chair
Rose, Gregg-Co Chair
Spadea, Anthony
Umbrello, Paul
Zagwyn, Marie/resigned

Absent

DiRico, Joe (Alternate)

Guest

Andy Hunt

1.) Lobbyist report

Andy said there was not too much to report since the legislators are out for 2 more weeks. Tacky put out information about add-ons to the bill. The language needs some work. Some words are red flags to be avoided.

2.) Secretary's Report:

The secretaries report from July 17, 2025 was read and accepted.

Motion to accept report: Anthony Spadea **Second:** Armand Janjigian.

2.) Treasurer's Report:

David changed "out of state awards" to "racing awards" in the report. MTBA accounts were changed from Eastern Bank to Citizens Bank for better interest rates.

Motion to accept report: Gregg Rose **Second:** Arlene Brown.

4.) New Business

a) Resignation letter

Marie Zagwyn formally presented her letter of resignation to the Board of directors. The letter was accepted by the chairman and voted for acceptance by the Board.

Motion to accept resignation: Gregg Rose **Second:** David Cramer

b) Election

Gregg reported on the state of election procedures. The invitation to run for the Board must include notification that all elected officials are required to sign an NDA (non-disclosure agreement) and must be able to attend meetings in person. Candidates can send a short video to put up on website stating why they want to run for the Board. Arlene, Gregg and Donna will work to get nominations in and ballots ready. All resumes will be sent to Gregg.

5.) Old Business

a.) Breeding Program 2026

The breeding incentive guideline was presented and voted on. It will be posted on the website. If the response becomes overwhelming it will be removed and applications closed.

Motion to accept guidelines Gregg Rose **Second:** Armand Janjigian

b.) Trainer or Mid Atlantic magazine, David is checking to see how much longer our contract with Trainer Magazine runs then the switch will be made to Mid-Atlantic Monthly.

6.) Next Meeting

Date: Sep 18, 2025 Time: 6:30 PM Place: Allied Drive

7.) Adjournment 8:42 PM

Motion to adjourn Karen Benson **Second** David Cramer

Respectfully submitted,

Arlene B. Brown

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