



Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission

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Oklahoma City, OK 73105

Regular Meeting
Thursday, June 18, 2026
Oklahoma Department of Agriculture
9:30 a.m.
Board Room
2800 N Lincoln
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105

Minutes

Governor
J. Kevin Stitt

Blayne Arthur
Secretary of Agriculture

Brian Burget
Chairman

Kurt Murray
Vice-Chairman

Dr. Bryant Craig
Secretary

Clint O. Brookover
Member

G. R. Carter
Member

Kathleen McNally
Member

Courtney Gregg
Member

James Fuser
Member

Ryan Terry
Member

Amanda English
Executive
Director

Michael P. Copeland
General Counsel

Robert Duvall
Director of Law
Enforcement

A. Call to Order

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

B. Roll Call and Announcement of Quorum

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

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

Chairman Burget announced item C.

Commissioner McNally moved to approve minutes from May 21, 2026, Commissioner Gregg seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

Motion passed 5-1-0.

D. Executive Staff Reports

Chairman Burget announced consideration of item D.

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

E. Presentation and Discussion from Fuego Racing Incentive Program Regarding New Oklahoma Racing Opportunities.

Chairman Burget announced item E was tabled.

No Action was taken.

F. Discussion, Consideration, and Possible Action on FY-2027 Agency Budget

Chairman Burget announced consideration of item F.

Commissioner Craig moved to approve the FY-2027 Budget as presented Commissioner Murray seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

Motion passed 6-0-0.

G. Discussion, Consideration, and Possible Action on the Election of Commission Officers (FY- 2027)

Chairman Burget announced consideration of item G.

On behalf of the Nominating Committee, Commissioner McNally presented the proposed slate of FY2027 Commission Officers: James Fuser as Chairman, Courtney Gregg as Vice Chairman, and Ryan Terry as Secretary.

Commissioner McNally moved to approve the FY2027 Commission Officers as presented by the Nominating Committee. Chairman Burget seconded the motion.

Motion passed 6-0-0.

H. Executive Session – Pending Litigation / Confidential Attorney – Client Communications

Chairman Burget announced consideration of item H.

Commissioner Fuser moved to enter Executive Session pursuant to 25 O.S. § 307 (B) (4) for confidential communications between the commission and its attorneys concerning the pending litigation. Commissioner Gregg seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

Motion passed 6-0-0.

The Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission entered Executive Session at 10:05a.m.

I. Reconvene in Open Session

Chairman Burget announced consideration of item I.

Commissioner Murray moved to reconvene the Open Session. Commissioner Gregg seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

Motion passed 6-0-0.

The Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission reconvened in Open Session at 10:24a.m.

J. Discussion, Consideration, and Possible Action Regarding Petition for Declaratory Ruling - Trainer Robert Meraz

Chairman Burget announced consideration of item J.

Chairman Burget stated that, at the previous meeting, the Commission had declined the request to issue a declaratory ruling based on legal counsel's advice that the requested action was outside the Commission's

authority. He explained that the proposed order memorialized the Commission's action taken at the prior meeting.

Commissioner McNally moved to approve the order. Chairman Burget seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

Motion passed 6-0-0.

K. Announcements

Chairman Burget announced announcements.

L. Adjourn

Chairman Burget adjourned the meeting at 10:27am.

Approved this 20th day of August



Chairman Fuser

On behalf of the Commission: ATTEST:
