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**CALIFORNIA AUTHORITY OF RACING FAIRS**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
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- I. Date, time and location of next meeting: March 1, 2016.
- II. Public Comment.
- III. Approval of minutes.
- IV. Report, discussion and action, if any, on 2016 Legislative Program.
- V. Discussion and action, if any, on Racing Dates for 2017 and beyond.
- VI. Update on prospective membership meeting in April 2016.
- VII. Financials.
- VIII. Executive Director's Report.



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Public and members of the California Authority of Racing Fairs Board of Directors may also participate from the following locations:

Alameda County Fair  
4501 Pleasanton Ave.  
Pleasanton, CA 94566

California State Fair  
1600 Exposition Blvd.  
Sacramento, CA 95815

San Mateo County Fair  
2495 So. Delaware Street  
San Mateo, CA 94403

Antelope Valley Fair  
2551 West Ave. H, Suite 102  
Lancaster, CA 93536

Humboldt County Fair  
1250 5<sup>th</sup> Street  
Ferndale, CA 95536

The Big Fresno Fair  
1121 S. Chance Avenue  
Fresno, CA 93702

Monterey County Fair  
2004 Fairground Road  
Monterey, CA 93940

**CALIFORNIA AUTHORITY OF RACING FAIRS**  
**Board of Directors**  
**Wednesday, December 16, 2015**

**MINUTES**

A meeting of the California Authority of Racing Fairs (CARF) Board of Directors was held at 12:30 P.M., Wednesday, December 16, 2015. The meeting was hosted at the CFSA Board Room, 1776 Tribute Road, Sacramento, California.

CARF Board Directors attending: John Alkire, Jerome Hoban, and Rick Pickering.  
Joining by conference call: Dan Jacobs and Kelly Violini.

Staff and Guests attending: Christopher Korby, Larry Swartzlander, Tom Doutrich, Heather Haviland, Juliana Gomes, Raechelle Gibbons, Louie Brown, Richard Conway, Kelly Olds, Jeanne Wasserman and John Quiroz.

**Agenda Item 1 – Date, Time and Location of Next Meeting.** The next CARF Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for February 2, 2016 in Sacramento.

**Agenda Item 2 – Public Comment.** None.

**Agenda Item 3 – Approval of Minutes.** Mr. Pickering moved to approve the meeting minutes as presented. Mr. Hoban seconded, unanimously approved.

**Agenda Item 4 – Report, Discussion and Action, if any, on 2016 Legislative Program.** Mr. Brown reported that the legislature is in recess and is scheduled to be back on January 4, 2016. When they return, CARF legislative staff will most likely reintroduce the bill to modify the statewide stabling and vanning fund legislation from last session. Mr. Brown stated that the legislative strategy for that bill is a work in progress and continuing discussions with industry principals will determined if the bill language is applied statewide or regionally.

Mr. Brown reported that the Senate Governmental Organization (G.O.) Committee is meeting today to conduct an informational hearing on daily (fantasy) sports betting. The issue of regulating sports betting will play an important role this legislative session. Mr. Brown stated that the discussion regarding sports betting is going to be significantly different from Internet poker; the central issue is regulation of an existing practice and not legalizing a betting mechanism in order to create revenue for the state. Legislators consider legalizing fantasy betting as a means to regulate operators and protect consumers. Assemblyman Marc Levine

has requested that Attorney General Kamala Harris engage to temporarily shut down daily sports wagering sites until California law is made clear, as lawmakers have done in New York.

Mr. Brown reported that CARF legislative staff is working with California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) for a reconsideration to redirect license fees derived from horse racing handle back to the fairs that generate them. Secretary Karen Ross has requested a proposal from Fairs & Expositions (F&E) outlining the potential mechanics of that process. The Secretary's office is currently awaiting that proposal and Mr. Brown is meeting with the Undersecretary tomorrow for further discussion. Mr. Brown stated that he feels the Secretary's office is supportive of the concept but wants to ensure the process is handled appropriately.

**Agenda Item 5 – Discussion and Action, if any, on 2016 Agency Budget.** Mr. Korby reported 2016 CARF Agency Budget is included in the meeting packet. The budget is similar in structure to last year's budget and has been approved by the CARF Finance Committee. Mr. Korby noted that 2015 year-end projections for expenses are \$65,326 under budget. Mr. Korby reported that the CARF Live Racing Committee is supportive of the live racing portion of the budget pending a staff recommendation for managing increasing costs to the CARF Race Track Safety and Maintenance Program (RTSM) tractor fleet.

Mr. Alkire noted that Ms. Gibbons is available to answer questions.

Mr. Hoban moved to approve the 2016 CARF Agency Budget as presented. Mr. Jacobs seconded, unanimously approved.

**Agenda Item 6 – Executive Director's Report.** Mr. Korby reported that he and Mr. Alkire discussed forming a smaller working group to undertake CARF agency and live racing strategic planning, including the development of a calendar that presents the strongest possible position for fair racing in Northern California. The group will consist of Mr. Alkire, Mr. Pickering and Mr. Hoban.

Mr. Korby reported that nominations for an at-large position on the CARF Board of Directors closed December 1 with one nomination: Mr. Conway. Ballots have been distributed and the election closes today at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Haviland

# CA Authority of Racing Fairs Legislative Report - Last 10 Days 1/22/2016

IV.

## [AB 1355](#) (Gray D) Gaming: Tribal Nation Grant Fund.

**Current Text:** Introduced: 2/27/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/27/2015

**Status:** 1/15/2016-In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.

**Location:** 1/15/2016-S. RLS.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Existing federal law, the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988, provides for the negotiation and execution of tribal-state gaming compacts for the purpose of authorizing certain types of gaming on Indian lands within a state. The California Constitution authorizes the Governor to negotiate and conclude compacts, subject to ratification by the Legislature. This bill would specify that the Tribal Nation Grant Fund reflects a vision of facilitating the development of tribal institutions and improving the quality of life of tribal people throughout the state. This bill contains other existing laws.

Organization	Position
CARF	Watch

## [SB 280](#) (Stone R) Public employees: compensation.

**Current Text:** Amended: 4/15/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/19/2015

**Last Amend:** 4/15/2015

**Status:** 1/15/2016-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(1). (Last location was 2 YEAR on 5/1/2015)

**Location:** 1/15/2016-S. DEAD

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**Summary:** Existing law requires the Controller, in conformity with an accounting system prescribed by the Department of Finance, to install and operate a uniform state payroll system for state agencies. This bill would require the Controller, as part of the development and implementation of a new uniform state payroll system on and after January 1, 2016, to include in the design of the system an Internet Web site portal that allows a state employee to view and print his or her pay warrant electronically.

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**Total Measures: 2**

**Total Tracking Forms: 2**

# DRAFT A 2017 PROPOSED NORTHERN CALIFORNIA RACING DATES CALENDAR - DRAFT A

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## RACE DAYS

GGF - Total Race Days	150
Pleasanton	12
Cal Expo	11
Santa Rosa	11
Humboldt	7
Stockton	6
Fresno	9
Overlapping Race Days	

DRAFT: Jan24-2016

GOLDEN GATE FIELDS	150	CARF MEETS	45
		SANTA ROSA	11
		TOTAL FAIR DAYS	56

SIMULCAST-ONLY DAYS	61
TOTAL NORTHERN CALIFORNIA RACE DATES	206

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**California Authority of Racing Fairs  
Agency Income Statement  
2015 Year End with Proposed 2016 Budget**

	2013 Year End Actual	2014 Year End Actual	2015 Year End Projections	2015 Annual Budget	2015 Budget Variance	2015 % Budget	2016 Proposed Budget	2015 vs 2016 Budget Diff
<b>Revenue:</b>								
Other Revenue/OPEB trust Reimb	22,060	78,208	33,315	35,000	(1,685)	95%	32,000	(3,000)
Interest Income	(713)	8,229	7,700	2,500	5,200	308%	2,500	0
Member Dues	246,963	234,370	220,215	234,368	(14,153)	94%	213,258	(21,110)
CARF South Prog Admin Fee	16,259	14,608	12,160	15,000	(2,840)	81%	13,125	(1,875)
CARF Live Racing Agency Allocation	109,733	157,410	252,326	252,326	0	100%	299,797	47,471
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>400,936</b>	<b>493,212</b>	<b>525,716</b>	<b>539,194</b>	<b>(13,478)</b>	<b>98%</b>	<b>560,680</b>	<b>21,486</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>								
Salaries	201,085	176,783	179,967	182,513	2,546	99%	184,717	2,204
Employee Benefits	16,864	20,619	19,528	19,960	432	98%	21,904	1,944
Post Retirement Benefits	40,220	41,671	32,647	36,175	3,528	90%	30,500	(5,675)
Payroll Taxes	18,183	18,223	18,200	19,648	1,448	93%	24,272	4,624
Accounting Costs	16,395	16,250	17,063	16,250	(813)	105%	17,500	1,250
Audit Services	9,485	6,775	6,775	6,775	0	100%	6,775	0
Automobile Expense	218	1,267	5,247	3,000	(2,247)	175%	5,000	2,000
Contracted Services	9,071	4,222	1,330	9,500	8,170	14%	6,000	(3,500)
Depreciation	20,170	19,135	18,185	17,748	(437)	102%	10,000	(7,748)
Dues & Subscriptions	2,949	2,367	1,712	3,000	1,288	57%	2,500	(500)
Insurance Expense	47,930	50,883	46,224	50,950	4,726	91%	50,000	(950)
Legal Expenses	72,642	62,286	19,463	50,000	30,537	39%	35,000	(15,000)
Legislative Expenses	56,617	45,479	45,639	45,000	(639)	101%	45,000	0
Meetings Expense	2,730	1,360	2,683	3,000	317	89%	3,000	0
Misc. (Ag Day Sponsor)	349	499	1,020	500	(520)	204%	1,000	500
Office Supplies	24,815	24,405	20,682	25,000	4,318	83%	25,000	0
Postage & Shipping	2,693	3,161	1,394	3,600	2,206	39%	3,000	(600)
Rent (Tribute Road)	35,770	35,770	35,770	45,478	9,708	79%	35,770	(9,708)
Repairs & Maintenance	0	0	0	500	500	0%	500	0
Telephone Expense	8,592	8,375	9,629	10,000	371	96%	10,000	0
Training	0	369	604	1,000	396	60%	1,000	0
Travel Expense	15,188	18,609	17,510	17,000	(510)	103%	18,000	1,000
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>601,964</b>	<b>558,508</b>	<b>501,271</b>	<b>566,598</b>	<b>65,326</b>	<b>88%</b>	<b>536,438</b>	<b>(30,160)</b>
<b>Agency Income (Loss)</b>	<b>(201,028)</b>	<b>(65,296)</b>	<b>24,445</b>	<b>(27,404)</b>	<b>51,848</b>		<b>24,242</b>	<b>24,242</b>
<b>Southern Prog Income (Loss)</b>	<b>3,510</b>	<b>2,461</b>	<b>2,840</b>	<b>2,500</b>	<b>(5,340)</b>		<b>1,875</b>	<b>(625)</b>
<b>Total Bal Sheet Net Income (Loss)</b>	<b>(197,518)</b>	<b>(62,836)</b>	<b>27,285</b>	<b>(24,904)</b>	<b>46,508</b>		<b>26,117</b>	<b>26,117</b>

**CALIFORNIA AUTHORITY OF RACING FAIRS**  
**BALANCE SHEET**  
**September 30, 2015**

<b>ASSETS</b>			
		<b>CURRENT YTD</b>	<b>PRIOR YTD</b>
		<b>09/30/15</b>	<b>09/30/14</b>
<b>Current Assets</b>			
CASH - LAIF & INVESTMENTS		1,683,590	1,779,610
CASH - OPERATING/MM		169,797	573,418
CASH - TRUST & TOC		1,600,407	598,319
MARKETABLE SECURITIES		1,043,636	1,326,922
A/R - DUES		29,850	26,995
A/R - PROGRAMS		24,647	42,305
A/R - RACING FAIRS & SETTLEMNT		1,232,762	1,049,488
A/R - OTHER A/R		58,767	53,346
PREPAIDS/DEPOSITS		68,998	121,032
OPEB ASSETS		125,122	126,118
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		<b>6,037,577</b>	<b>5,697,554</b>
<b>Fixed Assets</b>			
AUTOMOBILE		16,499	33,252
FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT		0	0
COMPUTER HARDWARE/SOFTWARE		1,367	1,801
TRACK EQUIPMENT		0	50,078
<b>Total Fixed Assets (Net of Depr.)</b>		<b>17,866</b>	<b>85,131</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>6,055,443</b>	<b>5,782,685</b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; NET ASSETS</b>			
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
A/P & WITHHOLDINGS		699,129	1,211,029
COMPENSATED LEAVE ACCRUALS		117,821	121,851
A/P - PROGRAM ROYALTIES TO HOST		31,882	43,910
RACING DISTRIBUTIONS		2,361,865	944,935
PURSES		(455,889)	(254,814)
TRACK SAFETY/MAINT.		(205,813)	28,013
HORSEMENS RECRUITMENT PROGRAMS		(3,454)	61,342
LOU-5 - SYMPOSIUM		3,805	3,805
REV GEN PROJECT FUNDS		454,009	475,866
AUGMENTATION FUNDS		545,337	542,837
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>		<b>3,548,692</b>	<b>3,178,774</b>
<b>Non-Current Liabilities</b>			
CHANGE FUND		1,014,000	1,014,000
FAIRS - EQUIP REPLACEMENT FUNDS		688,390	881,394
<b>Total Non-Current Liabilities</b>		<b>1,702,390</b>	<b>1,895,394</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<b>5,251,082</b>	<b>5,074,168</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>			
FUND EQUITY		554,770	617,606
F&E Net Assets		0	50,078
NET INCOME/LOSS		249,591	40,834
<b>Total Net Assets</b>		<b>804,361</b>	<b>708,517</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; NET ASSETS</b>		<b>6,055,443</b>	<b>5,782,685</b>



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