



LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT of
AGRICULTURE & FORESTRY

MIKE STRAIN, DVM *Commissioner*

MINUTES

**LOUISIANA EQUINE PROMOTION AND RESEARCH BOARD
GRANT APPLICATION REVIEW SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING
DECEMBER 9, 2024**

9:30 a.m.

**LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY
VETERANS MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM
5825 FLORIDA BOULEVARD, 1ST FLOOR
BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA 70806**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was held in-person and was called to order by Dr. Neely Heidorn at 9:30 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Dr. Neely Heidorn led the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken by Dr. Neely Heidorn and a quorum was called.

Members present:

Dr. Neely Heidorn, Jim Gauthier, Marc Browning and Dr. Bill Davis.

Members absent:

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were made at this time.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Jim Gauthier to approve the minutes from the committee's November 19, 2024 meeting; motion was seconded by Marc Browning. This motion passed unanimously.

REVIEW OF GRANT APPLICATIONS

The committee reviewed the grant applications received for 2024. This included:

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A. Lacey's Legacy Western Riding and Horsemanship

Motion was made by Marc Browning to not move forward with the application from Lacey's Legacy Western Riding and Horsemanship; motion was seconded by Jim Gauthier.

Motion was made by Jim Gauthier to ratify the following award recommendations previously reviewed and discussed by the committee at its November 19, 2024, meeting; motion was seconded by Dr. Bill Davis. The motion passed unanimously.

- The committee recommends an award in the amount of \$40,000.00 to Acadian Cutting Horse Association.
- The committee recommends an award in the amount of \$10,000.00 to Acadiana Jr. High/High School Rodeo.
- The committee recommends an award in the amount of \$50,000.00 to DeSoto Parish Police Jury.
- The committee recommends an award in the amount of \$15,000.00 to Gaitway Therapeutic.
- The committee recommends an award in the amount of \$20,000.00 to Just Believe.
- The committee recommends an award in the amount of \$50,000.00 to United States Team Penning.
- The committee recommends an award in the amount of \$60,000.00 to Beauregard Parish Police Jury.
- The committee recommends an award in the amount of \$10,000 to Bell City High School Rodeo.
- The committee recommends an award in the amount of \$20,000.00 to Cajun Little Britches.
- The committee recommends an award in the amount of \$70,000.00 to CAjun Rodeo Association.
- The committee recommends an award in the amount of \$10,000 to Feliciana Youth Rodeo Association.
- The committee recommends an award in the amount of \$5,000.00 to Greater New Orleans Therapeutic.

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- The committee recommends an award in the amount of \$10,000.00 to Livingston Horse Show Association.
- The committee recommends an award in the amount of \$5,000.00 to Louisiana Quarter Horse Association.
- The committee recommends an award in the amount of \$80,000.00 to Southern Reined Cow Horse.
- The committee recommends an award in the amount of \$10,000.00 to TXC Memorial Scholarship.
- The committee recommends an award in the amount of \$24,000.00 to Haughton Riding Club.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were made at this time.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Pending

MOTION TO ADJOURN

A motion was made by Marc Browning to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Jim Gauthier. This motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Chair