



ILLINOIS RACING BOARD

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

On Thursday, July 25, 2013, a regular meeting of the Illinois Racing Board was held at 10:30 a.m. at Arlington International Racecourse, Arlington Heights, Illinois. The following Board members were present: Chairman William Berry, Commissioners Kathy Byrne, Michael LaPidus, Allan Monat, Benjamin Reyes, Hugh Scates, Robert Schiewe, Jr., Gregory Sronce and Roger Whalen. Staff members Marc Laino, Katherine Laurent, Bob Lang and Mickey Ezzo were also present.

BOARD ITEM

The Racing Medication and Testing Consortium Board of Directors adopted recommendations for thresholds and withdrawal times for 24 therapeutic medications identified by the Association of Racing Commissioners International and the American Association of Equine Practitioners. The recommended thresholds are intended to be a guide for testing laboratories in determining the level at which the presence of a substance would violate the rules and become a violation.

The Board heard testimony on the Association of Racing Commissioners International Controlled Therapeutic Medication Schedule from the following witnesses:

RCI President Ed Martin, RMTTC Executive Director Dr. Dionne Benson, Dr. Richard Sams from the HFL Sport Science Laboratory, Dr. Adam Negrusz, Director of the Animal Forensic Toxicology Laboratory at the University of Illinois at Chicago, Michael Campbell representing the Illinois Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association, David McCaffrey representing the Illinois Harness Horsemen's Association, Gail Radke and David Block representing the Illinois Thoroughbred Breeders and Owners Foundation, and Dr. Dawn Folker-Calderon and Dr. David Fitzpatrick representing the Illinois Racing Board.

ORGANIZATION LICENSE REQUESTS

Commissioner Reyes moved to approve the 2013 Hawthorne Race Course fall stakes schedule. Commissioner Whalen seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by a roll call vote.

Commissioner Byrne moved to table to the August meeting a request by Maywood Park Trotting Association, Inc. for a license to conduct advance deposit wagering for the remainder of calendar year 2013. Commissioner Sronce seconded the motion. The motion failed by a roll call vote of 7-2. William Johnston, III and Jim Hannon appeared on behalf of Maywood Park, Tony Somone

on behalf of the Illinois Harness Horsemen's Association, Glen Berman on behalf of the Illinois Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association, and Lanny Brooks on behalf of the Illinois HBPA.

Commissioner LaPibus moved to approve an advance deposit wagering license for 2013 for Maywood Park Trotting Association, Inc., conditioned upon a detailed year-end report to the Board. Commissioner Whalen seconded the motion without the condition but not agreeing to the condition, withdrew his second. Commissioner Monat seconded the motion. The motion passed by a roll call vote of 6-2 with Commissioner Sronce voting present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Berry moved to approve the minutes of the June 25, 2013 Board meeting. Commissioner Monat seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

ADJOURNMENT

At 1:45 p.m., Chairman Berry motioned to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Marc Laino". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Marc Laino
Executive Director