## MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 29, 1984

A meeting of the New York State Racing and Wagering Board was held on October 29, 1984 at 10:30 a.m. at the Board office, 400 Broome Street, New York, New York 10013.

The meeting being called on October 26, 1984, public notice of the meeting was given to the Associated Press and UPI and to the public by posting in the Board lobby.

PRESENT:

John Van Lindt, Chairman

Michael Lee, Member

Joseph P. Neglia, Member

ALSO PRESENT:

Richard F. Corbisiero, Jr., Executive Director John Dailey, Director of Policy and Planning

David Vaughan, Counsel

Victor A. Cocozziello, Director of Wagering

Systems

Kenneth Beh, Director of Public Relations Jacob Iberger, Chief of Racing Operations

Robert Feuerstein, Assistant Counsel

Gale Berg, Assistant Counsel Steve Richman, Assistant Counsel Danny Goldberg, Chief of Licensing

Eileen Clarke, OTB Operations Coordinator Steve Cipot, Assistant Director of Audits

and Investigations

and

Thomas C. Davide, Secretary to the Board

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#### A. MINUTES:

1. The Board approved its minutes of Board meeting held on September 17, 1984.

#### B. FOR ENTRY INTO THE MINUTES:

- 1. NEW YORK CITY OTB STATEN ISLAND. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of August 8, 1984 of request by New York City Off-Track Betting Corporation to amend their plan of operation to initiate the simulcasting of races from Saratoga Racetrack into two branch offices on Staten Island.
- 2. CAPITAL DISTRICT OTB SARATOGA. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of August 30, 1984 of request by Capital District Off-Track Betting Corporation to amend their plan of operation in order to receive the simulcast of races from Saratoga Harness Racetrack into four branch offices.
- 3. WESTERN REGION OTB RIPLEY. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of August 31, 1984 of request by Western Region Off-Track Betting Corporation to amend their plan of operation in order to receive the simulcast of NYRA races from Belmont into one branch office in Ripley.
- 4. SUFFOLK REGION OTB BELMONT. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of September 10, 1984 of request by Suffolk Region Off-Track Betting Corporation to amend their plan of operation to receive the simulcast of NYRA races from Belmont into two branch offices.
- 5. NYRA POCONO DOWNS. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of September 20, 1984 of request by New York Racing Association to enter into agreement with Pocono Downs for the acceptance of pari-mutuel wagers on the Turf Classic on September 22, 1984.
- 6. NYRA LOS ANGELES COUNTY FAIR. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of September 20, 1984 of request by New York Racing Association to enter into agreement with Los Angeles County Fair Association for the acceptance of pari-mutuel wagers on the Turf Classic on September 22, 1984.
- 7. ROOSEVELT RACEWAY SUPER PICK SEVEN. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of September 20, 1984 of request by Roosevelt Raceway to conduct a handicapping contest to introduce the new form of super exotic wagering, as outlined in their letter of September 14, 1984.

- 8. FINGER LAKES REDUCED ADMISSION. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of September 21, 1984 of request by Finger Lakes Racing Association to reduce their clubhouse admission price to \$1.50 on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from September 25, 1984 thru the balance of their 1984 meeting.
- 9. ROOSEVELT RACEWAY \$WEEP \$EVEN. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of September 21, 1984 of request by Roosevelt Raceway to introduce their new super exotic wager (\$weep \$even) to the public by offering free Grandstand admission on Monday thru Thursday, September 24 thru September 28, 1984.
- 10. NEW YORK CITY OTB SUPER DERBY V. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of September 14, 1984 of request by New York City Off-Track Betting Corporation to accept wagers on the Super Derby V to be run at Louisiana Downs on September 22, 1984.
- 11. NEW YORK CITY OTB WAIVE RULE 4011.22. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of September 20, 1984 of request by New York City Off-Track Betting Corporation to waive Rule 4011.22 for the Super Derby V to be held on Saturday, September 22, 1984.
- 12. ROOSEVELT RACEWAY PETER HAUGHTON MEMORIAL PACE. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of September 28, 1984 of request by Roosevelt Raceway to simulcast the Peter Haughton Memorial Pace Saturday, September 29, 1984 and the Messenger Stakes on Saturday, October 6, 1984.
- 13. NOTICE OF SUSPENSION AND HEARING DR. LEO SUGAR. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of October 1, 1984 of Notice of Suspension and Hearing of Dr. Leo Sugar, based upon Dr. Sugar's indictment for possession with the intent to distribute, and Distribution of controlled substances.
- 14. JOCKEY BRIAN LAFLER APPRENTICE ALLOWANCE EXTENSION. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of September 25, 1984 of request by Jockey Brian Lafler for an extension of his apprentice allowance for 57 days due to an injury received in the gate at Finger Lakes on July 13, 1984. His present apprentice allowance expires on October 1, 1984, his new extension date will be November 17, 1984.
- 15. ROOSEVELT RACEWAY COLLEGE PROMOTION. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of September 20, 1984 of request by Roosevelt Raceway to allow free Grandstand admission to college students with their school identification badges on Friday, September 21 and Friday, September 28, 1984.

- 16. FINGER LAKES PROMOTIONS IN OCTOBER. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of September 28, 1984 of request by Finger Lakes Racing Association to offer the following promotions: free admission to all patrons on October 6, 1984; free tote bags to the first 5,000 paid admissions on October 7, 1984 and to hold an Italian Festival on October 8, 1984.
- 17. MONTICELLO RACEWAY CHARITY PROMOTION. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of September 28, 1984 of request by Monticello Raceway to offer free admission to patrons on Columbus Day, October 8, 1984 but require a minimum \$1 contribution to the Center for Missing Children of Rochester, New York.
- 18. CAPITAL DISTRICT OTB FINGER LAKES. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of September 25, 1984 of request by Capital District Off-Track Betting Corporation to simulcast Finger Lakes Racetrack into one OTB parlor in Schenectady, New York.
- 19. BATAVIA DOWNS THIRTY DAY RULE. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of October 1, 1984 of request by Batavia Downs to add ten additional days to the thirty day rule for racing eligibility. The change would allow horses to go forty days between starts without having to re-qualify.
- 20. FINGER LAKES FREEFECTA. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of September 28, 1984 of request by Finger Lakes Racing Association for a promotion involving the trifecta whereby they would give the first 2,200 patrons a special trifecta ticket good for any racing day during the remainder of the meet. A winner will receive the same amount of money as the winning trifecta pays on that day.
- 21. BATAVIA DOWNS COLUMBUS DAY PROMOTION. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of October 2, 1984 of request by Batavia Downs to add a matinee on the Columbus Day Holiday on October 8, 1984 and to issue free admission to all patrons, but require a \$1.00 contribution to the Center for Missing Children of Rochester, New York.
- 22. NYRA CHANGE IN POST TIME. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of October 2, 1984 of request by New York Racing Association to set the first race post time at 12:30 p.m. on all days, except for the traditional early post time on Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Eve, and including Sundays, that racing is conducted at NYRA's Aqueduct Racetrack commencing October 24, 1984 and continuing through the balance of 1984.

- 23. NYRA FOX VALLEY. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of October 5, 1984 of request by New York Racing Association to enter into agreement with Fox Valley Trotting Club, running a race meet at Sportsman's Park, for the acceptance of pari-mutuel wagers on the Jockey Club Gold Cup on October 20, 1984.
- 24. NYRA TURF PARADISE. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of October 5, 1984 of request by New York Racing Association to enter into agreement with Turf Paradise, Inc. for the acceptance of pari-mutuel wagers on the Jockey Club Gold Cup on October 20, 1984.
- 25. NYRA BAY MEADOWS. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of October 5, 1984 of request by New York Racing Association to enter into agreement with Bay Meadowns Racing Association for the acceptance of pari-mutuel wagers on the Jockey Club Gold Cup on October 20, 1984.
- 26. NYRA ARLINGTON PARK. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of October 5, 1984 of request by New York Racing Association to enter into agreement with Arlington Park Racetrack for the acceptance of pari-mutuel wagers on the Jockey Club Gold Cup on October 20, 1984.
- 27. CAPITAL DISTRICT OTB FRANKLIN COUNTY. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of September 14, 1984 of request by Capital District Off-Track Betting Corporation to simulcast NYRA at Belmont into the Malone parlor in Franklin County for 30 days.
- NEW YORK CITY OTB ROOSEVELT RACEWAY. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of September 21, 1984 of request by New York City Off-Track Betting Corporation to accept exacta wagering on the fourth race at Roosevelt Raceway as an OTB exclusive beginning Monday, September 24, 1984.
- 29. SUFFOLK REGION AND NASSAU REGION OTB \$1.00 BETS.
  For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of September 28, 1984 of request by Suffolk Region and Nassau Region Off-Track Betting Corporations to waive Rule 5204.4 and offer \$1.00 bets in their branch offices.
- 30. FINGER LAKES POST TIMES. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of October 16, 1984 of request by Finger Lakes Racing Association to change their current post times to 12:45 p.m. on weekdays and 1:15 p.m. on Sundays, effective October 28, 1984 due to the end of Day Light Savings Time.
- 31. NYRA WAGERING POOLS. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of October 16, 1984 of request by New York Racing Association to offer a quinella on the 2nd race and an exacta and quinella on the 4th and 6th race daily.

- 32. NYRA GRANDSTAND AND CLUBHOUSE PROMOTION. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of October 18, 1984 of request by New York Racing Association to offer Grandstand admission at 25¢ and Clubhouse admission at \$1.75 on Saturday, October 27, 1984 and Sunday, October 28, 1984.
- 33. NEW YORK CITY OTB WASHINGTON D.C. INTERNATIONAL.

  For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of October 16, 1984 of request by New York City OffTrack Betting Corporation on behalf of Nassau, Suffolk, Catskill, Capital and Western Region Off-Track Betting Corporations to accept wagers on the Washington D.C. International and to broadcast the call of the race on a delayed basis.
- 34. NEW YORK CITY OTB STATEN ISLAND. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of August 29, 1984 of request by New York City Off-Track Betting Corporation to amend their plan of operation in order to simulcast NYRA races from Belmont and Aqueduct into two branch offices in Staten Island.

#### C. FOR BOARD APPROVAL:

- 1. YONKERS RACEWAY EXOTIC WAGERING. The Board approved the request by Yonkers Raceway to hold a Pick-Eight multiple exotic wager commencing with the start of their meet, November 5, 1984.
- 2. NYRA BREEDERS' CUP DAY RACES. The Board deferred the request by New York Racing Association to accept pari-mutuel wagers on certain Breeders' Cup Day races pursuant to Section 903 of the Racing, Pari-Mutuel Wagering and Breeding Law on November 10, 1984.
- 3. YONKERS RACEWAY CONDITIONS. The Board approved the request by Yonkers Raceway for conditions for their 1985 Early and Late Closers, along with the conditions for the 1987 Can Pace, Bronx Pace and the Yonkers and Hudson Trots.
- 4. SARATOGA RACEWAY RADIO STATION WWWD. The Board approved the request by Saratoga Raceway to print and distribute 15,000 general admission tax-exempt passes to Radio Station WWWD to be valid on Sunday, November 4, 1984.
- 5. FINGER LAKES TICKETS. The Board approved the request by Finger Lakes Racing Association to sell books of ten prepaid grandstand admission tickets for the 1985 racing season at \$10. per book.
- 6. HEARING OFFICER REPORT IN THE MATTER OF JOSEPH BESZCZYNSKI III. The Board approved the Hearing Officer's recommendation that the Harness Division's 60 day suspension be confirmed.

- REMOVED 7. SUFFOLK REGION OTB YONKERS RACEWAY. (Duplicate of C-14.)
  - 8. CAPITAL DISTRICT OTB NYRA/ROOSEVELT/YONKERS. The Board deferred the request by Capital District Off-Track Betting Corporation to amend their plan of operation in order to simulcast NYRA and Roosevelt/Yonkers into seven additional OTB branch offices.
  - 9. ROOSEVELT RACEWAY CONDITIONS. The Board approved the request by Roosevelt Raceway of the conditions for the 1987 Messenger Stakes and Dexter Cup Stakes.
  - 10. REPEAL OF RULE 4002.4. The Board approved the repeal of Rule 4002.4 concerning thoroughbred license fees.
- WITHDRAWN -11. HEARING OFFICER REPORT IN THE MATTER OF GARY
  LEONARDI. (Withdrawn at the request of the Hearing
  Officer.)
  - 12. HEARING OFFICER REPORT IN THE MATTER OF JOHN CUMMINGS, JR. The Board approved the Hearing Officer's recommendation that the suspension of John Cummings, Jr. for 8 days be confirmed.
  - HEARING OFFICER REPORT IN THE MATTER OF RICHARD BLAUN. The Board approved the Hearing Officer's recommendation that the 8 day suspension imposed against Richard Blaun be confirmed.
  - 14. SUFFOLK REGION OTB YONKERS. The Board deferred the request by Suffolk Region Off-Track Betting Corporation to simulcast Yonkers Raceway into 8 branch offices: Huntington, Copiagua, Hauppauge, Smith Grove, Ronkonkoma, Bay Shore, Shirley and Sun-Vet.
  - 15. BATAVIA DOWNS LICENSE AMENDMENT. The Board denied the request by Batavia Downs to add a second trifecta to their betting program.
  - 16. HEARING OFFICER REPORT IN THE MATTER OF THOMAS DURAND. The Board approved the Hearing Officer's recommendation that the suspension of Thomas Durand for 8 days, and the placing of "Royal Hello" from first to last, be confirmed.
  - 17. HEARING OFFICER REPORT IN THE MATTER OF RAY

    SCHNITTKER. The Board approved the Hearing Officer's recommendation that the 8 day suspension of Ray Schnittker, and the placing of "Keystone Trot" from first to last, be confirmed.

### D. FOR BOARD NOTICE AND INFORMATION:

- NYS REGISTER October 17, 1984, re: Conduct of Bingo -NOTED.
- Memo of J. Iberger to R. Corbisiero, dated
   October 2, 1984, re: Batavia Downs Withdrawn Capital
   Improvement Request NOTED
- Memo of E. Clarke to T. Davide, dated October 11, 1984, re: Capital OTB branch Closing - NOTED.
- 4. Memo of E. Clarke to T. Davide, dated October 10, 1984, re: Proposed Teletheater Colonie, N.Y. NOTED.
- 5. Memo of J. Iberger to R. Corbisiero, dated October 1, 1984, re: Capital Construction Fund NOTED.
- 6. Memo of E. Clarke to T. Davide, dated October 23, 1984, re: Western Region OTB Relocations NOTED.
- 7. Memo of J. Dailey to Members of the Board, dated October 24, 1984, re: Licensing of New Thoroughbred Track and Concession Employees NOTED.