



## ILLINOIS RACING BOARD

### MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING

On Thursday November 21, 2024, a regular meeting of the Illinois Racing Board was held at 555 West Monroe, Chicago, Illinois starting at 1:00 p.m. The following Board members participated: Chairman Dan Beiser, Commissioners Eddie Arroyo, Leslie Breuer Jr, Lydia Gray, Alyssa Murphy, Benjamin Reyes, and Michael Schmidt. Commissioner Marc Laino was absent. Staff members Domenic DiCera, Lindsay Evans, Bob Denneen, Michael Belmonte, and Donald Marquez also participated.

#### LICENSEE REQUESTS:

Commissioner Reyes moved for approval of the following totalizator licensees for calendar year 2025:

- Amtote International, Inc
- United Tote Company
- Global Tote

Commissioner Saccone seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (8-0) by roll call vote.

Commissioner Reyes moved for approval of the following advance deposit wagering licensees for calendar year 2025:

- ODS Technologies, DBA TVG and FanDuel Racing
- Xpressbet, also doing business as Horse Tourneys and operating the white label affiliate Daily Racing Form.
- Churchill Downs Technology Initiatives Company, doing business as Twin Spires and Bet America, and operating their white label affiliates Keeneland Select and DK Horse.
- Hawthorne Race Course, Inc
- NYRA Bets, also operating their white label affiliate American Wagering Inc, doing business as Caesars Racebook.
- AmWest Entertainment, LLC

Commissioner Murphy seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (8-0) by roll call vote.

Commissioner Gray moved for approval of the following intertrack wagering licensees for calendar year 2025:

- Fairmount Park, Inc
- Hawthorne Race Course, Inc
- Suburban Downs, Inc.

Commissioner Schmidt seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (8-0) by roll call vote.

Commissioner Arroyo moved for approval of the following intertrack wagering location (OTB) licensees for calendar year 2025:

- Fairmount Park, Inc. – locations in Springfield, Sauget, and Alton.
- Hawthorne Race Course, Inc. – locations in Mokena, Joliet, Lansing, Prospect Heights, Crestwood, Oakbrook Terrace, Evergreen Park, Hoffman Estates, McHenry, North Aurora, Rockford, and Villa Park.

Commissioner Gray seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (8-0) by roll call vote.

Commissioner Reyes moved for approval of the following occupation licensees to operate as concessionaires for calendar year 2025.

- Entree You, LLC servicing the Crestwood OTB.
- Glass Half Full, LLC servicing the Crestwood OTB.
- Stoney Point Grill, LLC servicing the Mokena OTB.
- Pony Up OTB, LLC servicing the Oakbrook Terrace OTB.
- En Fuego OTB, LLC doing business as Driftwood Grille servicing the Oakbrook Terrace OTB.
- Salerno’s McHenry, Inc. servicing the McHenry OTB
- Frank GF, Inc doing business as Crazy Pour servicing the Villa Park OTB.
- Don Carter Lanes, Inc. servicing the Rockford OTB.
- Players Pub & Grill, LLC servicing the Prospect Heights OTB.
- The Turfroom servicing the North Aurora OTB
- G&J Food Service Corp servicing Hawthorne Race Course.
- Post Time Catering, Inc servicing Hawthorne Race Course.
- Voska Ventures, LLC doing business as Black Eyed Susan servicing the Lansing, Evergreen Park, and Joliet OTB’s.
- The Saddle Room, LLC servicing the Hoffman Estates OTB.
- Fairmount Park, Inc. at Fairmount Park servicing Fairmount Park and the Springfield OTB, and
- Van Lenhardt, Inc. servicing the Alton OTB.

Commissioner Schmidt seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (8-0) by roll call vote.

**STAFF REQUEST:**

Commissioner Saccone moved for approval of the following Board meeting schedule for calendar year 2025.

- Thursday, January 23 at 555 West Monroe
- Thursday, March 20 at 555 West Monroe
- Thursday, April 17 at 555 West Monroe
- Thursday, May 15 at 555 West Monroe
- Tuesday, June 17 at 555 West Monroe
- Thursday, July 17 at 555 West Monroe
- Thursday, August 14 at 555 West Monroe
- Thursday, September 18 at 555 West Monroe
- Thursday, October 9 at 555 West Monroe
- Thursday, November 20 at 555 West Monroe
- Thursday, December 18 at 555 West Monroe

Commissioner Arroyo seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (8-0) by roll call vote

Commissioner Gray moved for approval of the pari-mutal tax credit authorized under Section 32.1 of the Illinois Horse Racing Act. Commissioner Breuer seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (8-0) by roll call vote.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Commissioner Gray moved to approve the minutes of the October 10, 2024, board meeting. Commissioner Saccone seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (8-0) by roll call vote.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 2:06 PM., Commissioner Arroyo moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Reyes seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (8-0) by roll call vote.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Domenic DiCera". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent initial "D" and a long horizontal flourish at the end.

Domenic DiCera  
Executive Director