



## ILLINOIS RACING BOARD

### MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

On Tuesday, April 26, 2016, a regular meeting of the Illinois Racing Board was held at the James R. Thompson Center, Chicago, Illinois at 10:00 a.m. The following Board members were present: Chairman Jeffrey Brincat, Commissioners Robert Lunt, Arlene Mulder, Robert Muriel, Hugh Scates, Robert Schiewe, Jr., Gregory Sronce, and Travis Swoope. Absent: Commissioner Shelley Kalita. Staff members Domenic DiCera, Mike Pieczonka, Marc Laino, Bob Lang, and Mickey Ezzo were also present.

#### LICENSEE REQUESTS

Commissioner Scates moved to approve the list of racing officials submitted by Arlington International Racecourse, LLC for 2016. Commissioner Sronce seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (8-0) by roll call vote.

Commissioner Lunt moved to approve Carl Inman as a racing official (Outrider) at Fairmount Park, Inc. Commissioner Sronce seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (8-0) by roll call vote.

Commissioner Sronce moved to approve Alcides Rodriguez, Jr. (Paddock Judge) and Jose Nava (Outrider) as racing officials at Hawthorne Race Course, Inc. Commissioner Mulder seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (8-0) by roll call vote.

Commissioner Lunt moved to approve Robin Schadt as a racing official (Assistant Racing Secretary) at Suburban Downs, Inc. Commissioner Scates seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (8-0) by roll call vote.

Commissioner Sronce moved to approve a request submitted by Suburban Downs, Inc. to vacate live racing on May 8, 2016 and Wednesdays in May and June. Commissioner Swoope seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (8-0) by roll call vote.

Commissioner Sronce moved to approve Nicholas Bono as the new President of Reprise Corporation (McHenry OTB). Commissioner Scates seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (8-0) by roll call vote.

Requests submitted by the Brown County Fair Association and Lien Games Racing were tabled until the next Board meeting.

Commissioner Sronce moved to approve the initiation of rulemaking to create rules governing contracting goals for organization and intertrack wagering licensees. Commissioner Swoope seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (8-0) by roll call vote.

Commissioner Sronce moved to approve the initiation of emergency rulemaking to amend IRB rule Part 1413. Commissioner Scates seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (8-0) by roll call vote.

Chairman Brincat moved to enter into closed session, pursuant to Section 2(c)(11) of the Open Meetings Act (5 ILCS 120), to discuss pending litigation. Commissioner Sronce seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (8-0) by roll call vote.

Chairman Brincat moved to suspend the closed session. Commissioner Swoope seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Commissioner Mulder moved to approve the minutes of the March 22, 2016 Board meeting. Commissioner Sronce seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (7-0) by voice vote. Commissioner Swoope abstained.

#### **ADJOURMENT**

At 11:50 a.m., Commissioner Sronce moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Mulder seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Domenic DiCera". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent loop at the end.

Domenic DiCera  
Executive Director