



## ILLINOIS RACING BOARD

### MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

On Tuesday, July 26, 2018, a regular meeting of the Illinois Racing Board was held at the Arlington Park, Arlington Heights, Illinois starting at 11:00 a.m. The following Board members were present at Arlington Park: Chairman Brincat and Commissioners Robert Lunt, Thomas McCauley, Arlene Mulder, Hugh Scates, and Travis Swoope. Telephonic: Commissioner Shelley Kalita. Absent: Commissioners Jason Barclay, Robert Muriel, Edgar Ramirez, and Gregory Sronce. Staff members Domenic DiCera, Mike Pieczonka, Marc Laino, and Mickey Ezzo were also present.

Chairman Brincat moved to allow Commissioner Kalita to attend the meeting telephonically pursuant to Section 7(a) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act. Commissioner Mulder seconded the request. The motion passed unanimously (6-0) by roll call vote.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTARY**

Kathy Gilroy discussed Historical Horse Racing.

#### **LICENSEE REQUESTS**

Chairman Brincat moved to approve a disbursement of \$59,200 for Fairmount Park, Inc. from the Quarter Horse Purse Fund authorized under Sections 26.9 and 27 (a-5) of the Illinois Horse Racing Act. Commissioner Mulder seconded the request. The motion passed unanimously (7-0) by roll call vote.

Commissioner Scates moved to approve a request submitted by Brown County Fair Association, Inc. for an organization license to conduct pari-mutuel wagering on August 4 and 5, 2018 at the Brown County Fair in Mt. Sterling, Illinois. Commissioner Swoope seconded the request. The motion passed unanimously (7-0) by roll call vote.

Commissioner Mulder moved to approve a request submitted by the Illinois Department of Agriculture for organization licenses to conduct pari-mutuel wagering on August 10, 11, 14, and 15, 2018 at the Illinois State Fair and on August 28 and 29, 2018 at the DuQuoin State Fair. Commissioner Swoope seconded the request. The motion passed unanimously (7-0) by roll call vote. Tim Norman was introduced as Bureau Chief of Horse Racing at the Illinois Department of Agriculture.

Commissioner Mulder moved to approve racing official Brent Bridges as the Assistant Racing Secretary at Suburban Downs, Inc. Commissioner Scates seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (7-0) by roll call vote.

Commissioner Mulder moved to approve a request submitted by Suburban Downs, Inc. to vacate live racing on August 9, 16, 23, and 30, 2018. Commissioner Swoope seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (7-0) by roll call vote.

**BOARD ITEM**

Commissioner McCauley presented a report on behalf of the Historical Horse Racing Committee. Discussion ensued regarding the Board's authority to authorize historical horse racing pursuant to administrative rules.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Commissioner Mulder moved to approve the minutes of the closed session on March 27, 2018. Commissioner Swoope seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Chairman Brincat and Commissioners Kalita and McCauley abstained from voting.

Commissioner Mulder moved to approve the minutes of the June 26, 2018 Board meeting. Commissioner Swoope seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Commissioners Kalita, Lunt and Scates abstained from voting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

Respectfully submitted,



Domenic DiCera  
Executive Director