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ILLINOIS RACING BOARD MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

On Thursday, July 20, 2017, a regular meeting of the Illinois Racing Board was held at Arlington International Racecourse, Arlington Heights, Illinois at 11:00 a.m. The following Board members were present at Arlington Park: Chairman Jeff Brincat and Commissioners Shelley Kalita, Robert Lunt, Thomas McCauley, Arlene Mulder, Robert Muriel, Edgar Ramirez, Robert Schiewe, Jr., Gregory Sronce, and Travis Swoope. Absent: Commissioner Hugh Scates. Staff members Domenic DiCera, Mike Pieczonka, Bob Lang, and Mickey Ezzo were also present.

LICENSEE REQUESTS

Commissioner Sronce moved to approve Nancy Alicea as Placing/Patrol Judge at Arlington Park.

Commissioner McCauley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (10-0) on a roll call vote.

Commissioner Mulder moved to approve a request by Fairmount Park, Inc. for a disbursement of \$33,600 from the Quarter Horse Purse Fund, pursuant to Section 26.9 of the Act, to be used for quarter horse races at Fairmount Park. Commissioner Sronce seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (10-0) on a roll call vote.

Commissioner Sronce moved to approve an organization license for the Brown County Fair Association, Inc. for August 5 and 6, 2017, conditioned upon the Brown County Fair Association providing the necessary resources to conduct live racing to the satisfaction of Board staff. Commissioner McCauley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (10-0) on a roll call vote. Ed Teefey, Vice President of the Brown County Fair Association and Rhonda Jachino, Bureau Chief of Horse Racing at the Illinois Department of Agriculture, testified on behalf of the applicant.

Commissioner Sronce moved to approve organization licenses for the Illinois Department of Agriculture for August 11, 12, 15, and 16, 2017, at the Illinois State Fair and August 29 and 30, 2017 at the DuQuoin State Fair. The licenses are conditioned upon the Illinois Department of Agriculture providing the necessary resources to conduct live racing to the satisfaction of Board staff. Commissioner Swoope seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (10-0) on a roll call vote. Ed Teefey and Rhonda Jachino testified on behalf of the applicant. Jim Miller testified on behalf of Hawthorne Race Course.

BOARD REQUEST

A request by Board staff for approval to initiate rulemaking to amend Parts 200, 204, 205, 206, and 208 of the Illinois Racing Board rules was withdrawn.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Mulder moved to approve the minutes of the May 23, 2017 Board meeting. Commissioner Sronce seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Commissioners Kalita and Lunt abstained.

ADJOURMENT

At 11:45 a.m., Commissioner Sronce moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Mulder seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

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