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ILLINOIS RACING BOARD MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

On Tuesday, September 26, 2017, 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 at the JRTC: Chairman Jeff Brincat and Commissioners Shelley Kalita, Robert Lunt, Thomas McCauley, Robert Muriel, Edgar Ramirez, Hugh Scates, Robert Schiewe, Jr., and Travis Swoope. Telephonic: Commissioner Mulder. Absent: Commissioner Gregory Sronce. Staff members Domenic DiCera, Mike Pieczonka, Marc Laino, Bob Lang, and Mickey Ezzo were also present.

Chairman Brincat moved to allow Commissioner Mulder to attend the meeting telephonically due to a family emergency, pursuant to Section 7 of the Illinois Open Meetings Act. Commissioner McCauley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (9-0) by roll call vote.

LICENSEE REQUESTS

Chairman Brincat moved to award 2018 organization licenses and approve the following race dates schedule for 2018. Commissioner McCauley seconded the motion. Included in the motion is the delegation of authority to the IRB Executive Director to vacate race dates for Fairmount Park. The motion passed unanimously by (10-0) by roll call vote.

<u>ARLINGTON INTERNATIONAL RACECOURSE</u> – 71 race programs.

- January 1st through March 1st dark host time, no live racing.
- April 30th through June 24th, racing 3 days per week on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays. Racing on Monday, May 28th. Dark on Sunday, May 6th and Sunday, May 20th.
- June 25th through September 8th, racing 4 days per week on Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays. Racing on Monday, September 3rd. Dark on Thursday, July 5th and Thursday, August 30th.
- September 9th through October 1st, racing 3 days per week on Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays. Dark on Thursday, September 27th, Friday, September 28th, and Saturday, September 29th.

<u>HAWTHORNE RACE COURSE</u> – 55 race programs

- March 2nd through March 29th dark host time, no live racing. However, pursuant to their joint agreement, March 4th through March 8th, March 11th through March 15th, March 18th through March 22nd, and March 25th, dark host purse monies, earned by Hawthorne Race Course on these sixteen (16) non-racing days, shall be transferred to Arlington Park's purse account.
- March 30th through April 29th, racing 3 days per week on Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays. Racing on Wednesday, April 25th.

- October 2nd through October 31st, racing 4 days per week Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays. Dark on Wednesday, October 3rd and Thursday, October 4th.
- November 1st through December 31st, racing 3 days per week on Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays.
 Racing on Wednesday, December 26th. Dark on Thanksgiving, November 22nd, Thursday, December 13th and Thursday, December 20th.

FAIRMOUNT PARK – 41 race programs

• May 1st through September 22nd, racing 2 days per week on Tuesdays and Saturdays. Racing on Monday, September 3rd. Dark on Saturday, September 1st and Tuesday, September 4th.

SUBURBAN DOWNS AT HAWTHORNE RACE COURSE - 112 race programs

- January 5th through February 19th, racing 4 nights per week, Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays. Racing on Monday, February 5th and Monday, February 19th. Dark on Thursday, January 11th and Super Bowl Sunday, February 4th.
- May 4th through September 24th, racing 4 nights per week, Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays. Racing on Monday, July 2nd and Monday, September 24th.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Swoope moved to approve the minutes of the July 20, 2017 Board meeting. Commissioner Mulder seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Commissioner Scates abstained.

ADJOURMENT

At 11:30 a.m., Commissioner Brincat moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Swoope seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Domenic DiCera
Executive Director