

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING  
HELD ON DECEMBER 21, 1983

A meeting of the New York State Racing and Wagering Board was held on December 21, 1983 at 10:30 a.m. at the Board office, Two World Trade Center, New York, New York 10047.

The meeting being called on December 20, 1983, public notice of the meeting was given to the Associated Press and UPI and to the public by posting in the Board's reception area on the 74th Floor and also on the 44th Floor.

PRESENT:

JOHN VAN LINDT, Chairman  
BERTRAM SARAFAN, Member  
JOSEPH O'DEA, Member

ALSO PRESENT:

Richard F. Corbisiero, Jr., Executive Director  
John Dailey, Director of Policy and Planning  
Victor A. Coccozziello, Director of Wagering Systems  
David Vaughan, Acting Counsel  
Kenneth Beh, Director of Public Relations  
Dean Alfange, Special Assistant to the Chairman  
Robert Feuerstein, Assistant Counsel  
Danny Goldberg, Chief of Licensing  
Nancy Rudolph, Chief of OTB Regulations  
James Gallagher, Confidential Racing Aide  
Thomas C. Davide, Secretary to the Board and  
Alison Osius, Student at Columbia School of Journalism  
116th and Broadway, New York, NY 10027

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A. MINUTES:

1. The Board approved the minutes of Board meeting held on November 30, 1983.

B. FOR ENTRY INTO THE MINUTES:

1. WESTERN REGION OTB - BUFFALO. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of November 30, 1983 of request by Western Region Off-Track Betting Corporation to broadcast Buffalo Raceway's live calls into 19 branches with late evening hours and to sell track programs.
2. CATSKILL REGION OTB - MONTICELLO RACEWAY AND ROOSEVELT RACEWAY. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of December 6, 1983 of request by Catskill Region Off-Track Betting Corporation to broadcast Roosevelt Raceway's live audio calls into two branches within 40 miles of Monticello Raceway when Monticello is dark.
3. APPRENTICE ALLOWANCE EXTENSION - JOCKEY RENE DOUGLAS. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of December 6, 1983 of request by Jockey Rene Douglas for a 57 day extension of his apprentice allowance due to the result of a race incurred injury he suffered on January 2, 1983. Rene Douglas' apprentice allowance is due to expire on December 15, 1983. His new extension will be February 10, 1984.
4. WESTERN REGION OTB - DAILY RACING FORM. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of December 13, 1983 of request by Western Region Off-Track Betting Corporation to sell the Daily Racing Form in some branches for the duration of the Greyhound strike.
5. DESIGNATION OF HARRY D. SNYDER. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of December 16, 1983 of request to have Harry D. Snyder designated as Special Hearing Officer in the matter of Lazaro Saumell.

C. FOR BOARD APPROVAL:

1. BATAVIA DOWNS - TRACK LICENSE RENEWAL. The Board approved the request by Batavia Downs for its 1984 license.
2. SARATOGA RACEWAY - TRACK LICENSE RENEWAL. The Board approved the request by Saratoga Raceway for its 1984 license.
3. SYRACUSE MILE, INC. - TRACK LICENSE RENEWAL. The Board approved the request by Syracuse Mile, Inc. for its 1984 license.

4. BUFFALO RACEWAY - TRACK LICENSE RENEWAL. The Board approved the request by Buffalo Raceway for its 1984 license.
5. NEW YORK CITY OTB - BOWIE. The Board approved the request by New York City Off-Track Betting Corporation to broadcast delayed audio calls from Bowls Race Track to all regional branches on NYRA dark days through April 1, 1984.
6. CAPITAL OTB - BATAVIA. The Board approved the request by Capital Region Off-Track Betting Corporation to broadcast Batavia Raceway's live calls into its branches and over its cable network on days when Capital accepts wagering on Batavia.
7. NYRA - COUPON. The Board approved the request by New York Racing Association to utilize a coupon which will be provided by a new machine that will accept returnable cans and bottles and provide the proper return as outlined in their letter of December 5, 1983.
8. DESIGNATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 101 UNCONSOLIDATED LAWS. The Board approved the recommendations relating to the Board's designation, pursuant to Section 101, for the designation of the following employees who shall have the power to administer oaths, examine witnesses and may issue subpoenas to compel attendance of witnesses and the production of all relevant material reports, books, papers, documents, correspondence and other evidence: Harry Snyder, Ciro Pastore and Tyrone Harison.
9. IN THE MATTER OF - KENNETH PRIMMER. The Board denied the request by Kenneth Primmer through his Attorney to reopen his hearing.
10. SARATOGA RACEWAY - PROMOTION CONTINUATION. The Board approved the request by Saratoga Raceway to continue their Horseplayer's Club, Radio Night and Winter/Summer Weekend in Saratoga Springs package promotions which were previously approved for their Winter and Summer Meets.
11. ROOSEVELT RACEWAY - CONDITIONS. The Board approved the request by Roosevelt Raceway of their conditions for the Peter Haughton Memorial Pace and the John Chapman Memorial Pace, both of which are early closing events.
12. FINGER LAKES - TRACK LICENSE RENEWAL. The Board approved the request by Finger Lakes Racing Association for its 1984 license.
13. DRUG TESTING OF JOCKEYS AND DRIVERS. The Board deferred taking any action on the proposed amendments to Rules 4006.2, 4116.2 and 4212.2 relating to the drug testing of jockeys and drivers.

14. ROOSEVELT RACEWAY - 1984 PETTICOAT AND SAGAMORE HILL LATE CLOSING SERIES. The Board approved the request by Roosevelt Raceway for the 1984 Petticoat and Sagamore Hill late closing series, which will be co-sponsored with Yonkers Raceway.
15. ROOSEVELT RACEWAY - 1984 GEORGE MORTON LEVY MEMORIAL PACE AND LATE CLOSING SERIES. The Board approved the request by Roosevelt Raceway for the 1984 conditions for the George Morton Levy Memorial Pace and the late closing series, to be co-sponsored with Yonkers Raceway.
16. CATSKILL OTB - YONKERS. The Board approved the request by Catskill Region Off-Track Betting Corporation to conduct live calls of Yonker Raceway's races into select branches commencing January 16, 1984. This approval is subject to receipt of the endorsement from Yonkers and the submission of bi-weekly handle reports by Catskill to the Board.
17. CATSKILL OTB - ROCKLAND COUNTY. The Board approved the request by Catskill Region Off-Track Betting Corporation to open a branch betting center in the Rockland County Town of Ramapo at Pomona/Mt. Ivy, N.Y.
18. SUFFOLK OTB - YONKERS. The Board approved the request by Suffolk Region Off-Track Betting Corporation to offer live calls of Yonkers Raceway's races at six select branches commencing January 16, 1984. This approval is subject to receipt of the endorsement from Yonkers and the submission of bi-weekly figures on branch conducting these live calls by Suffolk to the Board.

D. FOR BOARD NOTICE AND INFORMATION:

1. NYS REGISTER - November 23, 1983, re: Distribution of Purse Monies - NOTED.
2. NYS REGISTER - November 30, 1983, re: Occupational Licensing of Thoroughbred Track Personnel not now Required to be Licensed - NOTED.
3. Memo of N. Rudolph to T. Davide, December 8, 1983, re: Thompson Alarm Company - NOTED.
4. Letter of J. Gannon to Chairman Van Lindt, December 6, 1983, re: Conduct Hearing Within the Confines of the Western Region - NOTED.
5. Memo of D. Vaughan to T. Davide, December 19, 1983, re: Saratoga Group Dinner - NOTED.