# MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING HELD ON APRIL 25, 1983

A meeting of the New York State Racing and Wagering Board was held on April 25, 1983, at 10:30 AM at the Board office, Two World Trade Center, New York, New York 10047.

The meeting being called on April 23, 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. Cocozziello, Director of Wagering Systems David Vaughan, Assistant Counsel Nancy Rudolph, Chief of OTB Regulation Dr. Norman Lewis, Chief State Racing Veterinarian Ted Garrison, Assistant Counsel Dean Alfange, Director of Quarter Horse Racing Steve Cipot, Assistant Director of Audits and Investigations Danny Goldberg, Chief of Licensing Eileen Clarke, OTB Operations Coordinator Robert Feuerstein, Assistant Counsel Thomas C. Davide, Secretary to the Board

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#### A. MINUTES:

 The Board approved its minutes of its meeting held on March 22, 1983

## B. FOR ENTRY INTO THE MINUTES:

- 1. YONKERS RACEWAY PROMOTION. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of March 29, 1983 of request by Yonkers Raceway for eight separate promotions during their spring meeting April 4, 1983 through June 16, 1983, as outlined in their letter of March 24, 1983.
- 2. SARATOGA RACEWAY PROMOTION. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of March 31, 1983 of request by Saratoga Harness to distribute 10,000 daily general admission tax-exempt tickets to patrons attending the Saratoga County Home Show which will be at Saratoga Harness on April 15 through April 17, 1983.
- 3. NYRA AGREEMENTS. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of March 29, 1983 of request by New York Racing Association to enter into agreements with Inland Empire Fair and Racing Association; River Downs Race Track and Thistledowns Racing Club, Inc., as outlined in NYRA's letter of March 21, 1983.
- 4. VERNON DOWNS BLACKOUT PROMOTION. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of April 18, 1983 of request by Vernon Downs to conduct free admission to grandstand and clubhouse patrons on Thursday, April 21, 1983 due to the blackout that occurred on opening night, April 14, 1983, causing the cancellation of the ninth and tenth races.
- 5. NYRA AND CBS AGREEMENT WOOD MEMORIAL. For entry into the minutes, the Board's prior approval of March 29, 1983 of request by New York Racing Association in conjunction with CBS Radio for approval of the broadcast rights of the Wood Memorial, as outlined in NYRA's letter of March 21, 1983.

# C. FOR BOARD APPROVAL:

- 1. NEW YORK CITY OTB BUDWEISER MILLION. The Board deferred the request by New York City Off-Track Betting Corporation to accept wagering on the Budweiser Million Race to be held on August 28, 1983.
- 2. FINGER LAKES TIMER. The Board approved the request by Finger Lakes Racing Association to use Mr. Carl Anderson as an alternate in the Racing Secretary's office and also as a timer. This approval is subject to a background check.

- FINGER LAKES LICENSE AMENDMENT. The Board approved the request by Finger Lakes Racing Association to amend their license adding the names of: George W. Barker, Herbert F. Davison and Stephen B. Manion as Directors. This approval is subject to background checks.
- 4. SARATOGA RACEWAY RULE WAIVER REQUEST. The Board approved the request by Saratoga Raceway to waive Rule 4113.5 (30 day rule) prior to the beginning of their Spring Meet on April 28, 1983, as outlined in their letter of March 12, 1983.
- 5. NYRA PROMOTION. The Board approved the request by New York Racing Association to offer Saratoga Clubhouse passes at a reduced price of \$90. and Grandstand passes as a reduced price of \$36.
- 6. VERNON DOWNS PROMOTION. The Board approved the request by Vernon Downs to provide Radio Station WTLB with 5,000 "free" grandstand admission passes to be distributed, as outlined in their letter of March 29, 1983.
- 7. VERNON DOWNS LICENSE AMENDMENT. The Board approved the request by Vernon Downs to change their wagering format, program price, and format, as outlined in their letter of March 30, 1983.
- 8. HARNESS HORSE BREEDERS CONDITIONS. The Board approved the request by the Harness Horse Breeders for approval of conditions, which were submitted, for the Dr. Harry W. Zweig Memorial No. 11.
- 9. SARATOGA RACEWAY "GET ACQUAINTED WEEKEND". The Board approved the request by Saratoga Raceway to print and distribute 100,000 general admission tax exempt daily passes as part of a "Get Acquainted Weekend" and would be valid only on May 20 & 21, 1983.
- 10. FINGER LAKES JOCKEY CLUB. The Board approved the request by The Jockey Club for the appointment of Warren Mehrtens as The Jockey Club Steward and the appointment of Richard Coyne as alternate Steward at Finger Lakes Racetrack. These approvals are subject to background checks.
- 11. NYRA SIMULCASTING. The Board approved the request by New York Racing Association for agreements between NYRA and Eagle Downs Racing Association; Washington Jockey Club; Arlington Park; and, Los Alamitos Race Course, as outlined in their letter of April 4, 1983.

- 12. NYRA AQUEDUCT PROMOTION. The Board approved the request by New York Racing Association to offer free Grandstand admission and \$2.00 off Clubhouse admission on May 7, 1983, the day both the Carter Handicap (at Aqueduct) and the Kentucky Derby are run. Also approved was the request for a promotion to schedule a "Derby Sweep's" contest, as outlined in their letter of April 6, 1983.
- 13. NYRA AQUEDUCT PROMOTION II. The Board approved the request by New York Racing Association to offer free Grandstand admission or \$2.00 off Clubhouse on closing day, May 16, 1983 at Aqueduct.
- HEARING OFFICER REPORT IN THE MATTER OF MINISINK HOOK AND LADDER CO. NO. 1. The Board affirmed the Hearing Officer's recommendation that the licensee's Games of Chance Identification number and municipal license be suspended for one month, however, that execution of such suspension be suspended and that no license fees be forfeited.
- 15. WESTERN OTB NYRA. The Board deferred the request by Western Region Off-Track Betting Corporation to broadcast live New York Racing Association race calls to its branches during the 1983 season.
- 16. WESTERN REGION OTB LIVINGSTON COUNTY. The Board approved the request by Western Region Off-Track Betting Corporation to establish a branch in Geneseo, Livingston County for an initial term of one year.
- 17. WESTERN REGION OTB MONROE COUNTY DIRECTOR. The
  Board approved the request by Western Region Off-Track
  Betting Corporation for the appointment of Mr. John F.
  Jennejahn, Jr. to the Board of Directors of the
  Western Region Off-Track Betting Corporation for the
  County of Monroe. This approval is subject to a
  background check.
- 18. CAPITAL OTB FRANKLIN COUNTY. The Board approved the request by Capital District Off-Track Betting Corporation to establish a branch at Saranac Lake, Franklin County. The Board approved this request on a temporary basis for one year.
- 19. CAPITAL OTB COLUMBIA COUNTY. The Board approved the request by Capital District Off-Track Betting Corporation to permanently establish the Hillsdale branch in Columbia County.
- HEARING OFFICER REPORT IN THE MATTER OF MARBEATZE TORAH INSTITUTE & SISTERHOOD MARBEATZE TORAH. The Board affirmed the Hearing Officer's recommendation to revoke I.D. numbers and municipal licenses of both organizations; to declare both ineligible to re-apply for reinstatements of the I.D. number for a period of twelve months and the ineligibility to extend all affiliated organizations.

- 21. SARATOGA HARNESS \$25. STARTING FEE. The Board approved the request by Saratoga Harness to continue payment of the \$25. starting fee to non-purse winners.
- 22. SUFFOLK OTB KINGS PARK. The Board deferred the request by Suffolk Region Off-Track Betting Corporation to amend its plan of operation to include a new branch in Kings Park.
- 23. HEARING OFFICER REPORT IN THE MATTER OF WESTERN REGION OTB ARCADE. The Board deferred Western Region Off-Track Betting Corporation application to amend its plan of operation to include a branch in Arcade.
- 24. MULTIPLE OWNERSHIP RULES. The Board deferred the Multiple Ownership Rules, which were submitted for final adoption.
- 25. MONTICELLO RACEWAY RULE WAIVER. The Board approved the request by Monticello Raceway for a waiver of Rule 4113.5 (30 day rule) at the beginning of the meet.
- 26. PROPOSED RULE CHANGE 4025.10(c). The Board deferred the proposed rule change 4025.10(c), which was attached.
- 27. BUFFALO RACEWAY "RACING REVOLUTION". The Board approved the request by Buffalo Raceway to continue the "Racing Revolution" with free general and clubhouse admission, eleven races per night, nine horse fields in early and late doubles, and the eleventh race Trifecta, as outlined in their letter of April 12, 1983.

### D. FOR BOARD NOTICE AND INFORMATION:

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- 1. NYS REGISTER dated March 23, 1983, re: Multiple Ownership in Thoroughbred, Harness and Quarter Horse Racing NOTED.
- Memo of D. Vaughan to T. Davide, dated April 15, 1983, re: Urine Analysis for Jockeys and Drivers - NOTED.
- 3. Letter of M. Lieberman to Chairman Van Lindt, dated April 19, 1983, re: Caesars Palace NOTED.
- Memo of D. Vaughan to T. Davide, dated April 18, 1983, re: Jockey's Fees - NOTED.