

Minutes of Meeting of the New York

State Racing and Wagering Board

Tuesday, September 18, 1979 10:30 AM

A meeting of the New York State Racing and Wagering Board was held on Tuesday, September 18, 1979 at the Board Office, Two World Trade Center, New York.

The meeting being called on Friday, September 14, 1979, 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 D. Sarafan, Member; Dr. Joseph O'Dea, Member

ALSO PRESENT: John Dailey, Director of Policy and Planning; Richard Corbisiero, Director of Wagering Systems; Sal Ferrara, Director of Audits, Investigations and Licensing; Dean Alfange, Director of Quarter Horse; Jacob Iberger, Chief of Racing Operations; Kenneth Beh, Director of Public Relations; Bernard Golar, Assistant Commissioner and Director of OTB Regulation; Sal Curiale, Assistant Counsel; Lois A. White, Assistant Counsel; Ted Garrison, Assistant Counsel and Thomas C. Davide, Secretary to the Board.

A. Minutes.

1. Minutes. The Board approved the minutes of its meeting held September 6, 1979.

B. For Entry Into the Minutes:

1. NYRA-NBC Sports. The Board's prior approval of request by NYRA dated September 4, 1979 for the approval of the submitted agreement between NYRA and NBC Sports for the telecast of the Marlboro Cup, on Saturday, September 8, 1979.
2. Monticello Raceway - "Buck Night". The Board's prior approval of request by Monticello Raceway dated September 3, 1979, to conduct "Buck Nights" on every Tuesday in September whereby all patrons will be admitted at the reduced price of \$1.00.
3. NYRA/Lottery Promotion. The Board's prior approval of request by NYRA dated July 26, 1979, to participate in a joint promotion with the N.Y.S. Lottery, whereby NYRA, during the period August 29, 1979 through October 15, 1979, would grant free admission to the grandstand

at Belmont Park to patrons presenting a stub from designated lottery tickets, in addition, the N.Y.S. Lottery would provide to NYRA 125,000 lottery tickets to be distributed free to patrons over the Labor Day weekend, September 1, 2, & 3.

4. NYCOTB/Arlington Park Race Track. The Board's prior approval of request by NYCOTB dated September 7, 1979, to consummate an agreement with Arlington Park Race Track, whereby NYCOTB would accept wagers on races run at the track on NYRA dark dates.
5. Saratoga Harness - Labor Day. The Board's prior approval of request by Saratoga Harness dated August 29, 1979, to admit persons 65 and over free to their afternoon Labor Day program on September 3, 1979.
6. Finger Lakes/Reserved Grandstand Seats. The Board's prior approval of request by Finger Lakes dated September 7, 1979, to provide grandstand reserved seats to cover weekends through Sunday, September 23, New York Breeders' Futurity Day.

C. For Board Approval:

1. Ramon Figueroa/Apprentice Allowance. The Board approved request by Apprentice Jockey Ramon Figueroa to extend his apprentice allowance for an additional sixty-three (63) days for the period September 26, up to and including November 25, 1979, representing days lost from June 14, 1979 through August 15, 1979.
2. Saratoga Raceway - "Play Saratoga Harness". The Board denied request by Saratoga Raceway to institute a "Play Saratoga Harness" promotion.
3. Genesee Monroe Racing Association, Inc./Construction. The Board approved request by Genesee Monroe Racing Association, Inc. to construct a new barn. The Board also conditionally approved the agreement and specifications submitted for the installation of a parking light pole plus two lights on the Clubhouse. This approval is contingent upon the approval of the Board's consulting architect James Summers.
4. Vernon Downs/"Fan Appreciation Night" - amendment to proposal and "College Night". The Board approved request by Vernon Downs to amend their proposal to not only grant free admission on the night of Friday, September 28th, (Fan Appreciation Night), but to give all patrons who attend that evening three tickets that can be used for one free admission to the Track on any Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday evening through October 18th. The Board also approved request to conduct "College Night" on Friday October 5th. They will grant free admission to the Grandstand to any college student showing his college i.d. on that night.

5. Proposed Rule (new) 4009.10. Proposed Rule (new) 4009.10. Machines locked at off time. The proposed rule will authorize the placing judge to lock the pari-mutuel machines. The Board deferred action on this proposed rule until a later meeting.
6. Hearing Officer Report in the Matter of Long Beach Elks #2066. The Board deferred action on this matter.

D. For Board Information:

1. New York State Register, September 5, 1979. Agency Action re: Payment of Harness Track Drivers. Noted.
2. Memo of B. Golar, 9/13/79 re: OTB Corporations' options when no interface on-track. Noted.
3. Letter of J. Summers, 9/12/79 re: Vernon Downs Wastewater Facility. Noted.