Minutes of Meeting of the New York State Racing and Wagering Board

May 20, 1980, 10:30 a.m.

A meeting of The New York State Racing and Wagering Board was held on May 20, 1980, 10:30 a.m., at the Board Office, Two World Trade Center, New York N.Y. 10047.

The meeting being called on Thursday, June 15, 1980, 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: Richard P. Corbisiero, Jr., Executive Director; John Dailey, Director of Policy and Planning; Victor Cocozziello, Director of Wagering Systems; Sal Curiale, Counsel; Dean Alfange, Director o: Quarter Horse Racing; Jacob Iberger, Chief of Racing Operations; Bernard Golar, Assistant Commissioner and Director of OTB Regulations; Kenneth Beh, Director of Public Relations; Domonic Coppotelli, Director of Bingo; David Vaughan, Assistant Counsel; Ted Garrison, Assistant Counsel; Dr. Norman Lewis, State Chief Veterinarian and Thomas C. Davide, Secretary to the Board.



Α. Minutes.

- 1. The Board approved the minutes of its meeting held April 22, 1980.
- The Board approved the minutes of its special meeting held April 29, 1980. 2.
- The Board approved the minutes of its special meeting held May 5, 1980. 3.

For Entry Into the Minutes:

NYCOTB- Preakness Stakes. The Board's prior approval of May 5, 1980 of request by NYCOTB dated April 29, 1980 to open negotiations with the Maryland Jockey Club of Baltimore City and where necessary the Maryland State Racing Commission to take advance wagering beginning on the Friday before The Preakness Stakes for The Preakness Stakes to be run at Pimlico Race Course in Baltimore, Maryland on Saturday, May 17, 1980.

- 2. NYCOTB/Calder Race Course. The Board's prior approval of May 5, 1980 of request by NYCOTB dated April 28, 1980 to provide delayed audio broadcasts of the race calls from Calder Race Course on "dark" Tuesdays and on any continuing through July 5, 1980. Racing in Florida switches from Gulfstream Park to Calder Race Course on May 7, 1980. They intend to use the Calder Race Course delayed audio broadcasts in conjunction with the branch offices no earlier than fifteen (15) minutes after the running of the races at the track.
- NYRA/Reduced Admission. The Board's prior approval of May 6, 1980 of reque by NYRA dated April 23, 1980 to hold the following reduced admission program: 1. "Invitaions" good for one free Clubhouse admission on weekends during the Belmont Spring 1980 meeting will be available to visitors at the "That Belmont Look" exhibition at the N.Y. Historical Anniversary, NYRA will be offering free Grandstand Admission (or \$2.00 off Clubhouse admission) on June 1, 1980; and 3. NYRA's new volume of its Grandstand admission (or \$2.00 off Clubhouse admission) on Second Se
- 4. Proposed Rule 4101.37 Restrictions on Veterinarians and Farriers. The Board's prior approval of April 25, 1980 of the submitted compromise rule regarding the Hearing that was held on February 6, 1980.
- Roosevelt Raceway/Suffolk OTB. The Board's prior approval of May 8, 1980 of request by Roosevelt Raceway dated April 30, 1980, in conjunction with Suffolk Regional OTBC, to promote group attendance, Roosevelt Raceway will offer ¢.50 grandstand admission to groups leaving from Off-Track Betting Branch Offices by bus and include bus fare for a total of \$3.50 to \$4.00 per person.
 - 6. Monticello Raceway "Special Olympics Night". The Board's prior approval of May 5, 1980 of request by Monticello Raceway dated April 30, 1980 to hold a "Special Olympics Night" at Monticello Raceway on June 4th, 1980. At this time a group of approximately 150 children (all of whom are participants in the "Special Olympics") together with their parents would receive free admission to the race track.
 - 7. Monticello Raceway Waiver of 30 Day Rule 4113.5 (a) (1). The Board's prior approval of May 6, 1980 of request by Monticello Raceway dated May 4, 1980 to waive the 30 Day Rule, due to the shortage of horses at Monticello. They will have 9 races rather than the normal 10 on Monday through Thursday.
 - 8. Monticello Free Daily Double. The Board's prior approval of May 8, 1980 of request by Monticello Raceway dated May 6, 1980 for permission to offer a free daily double ticket to every patron who has paid admission, on Monday, May 19, 1980.

- New York City Off-Track Betting Corporation, Inc. Kentucky Derby.
 The Board's prior approval of May 1, 1980 of request by NYCOTB dated
 April 30, 1980 to accept wagers on the Kentucky Derby to be run
 on Saturday, May 3, 1980 at Churchill Downs. They will begin to accept
 wagers on Friday, May 2, 1980, NYCOTB will act as agent for the
 other regional OTB's in this request.
- NYCOTB-Pimlico Race Course. The Board's prior approval of May 12, 1980 of request by NYCOTB dated May 12, 1980 to accept wagers on the "Black-Eyed Susan Stakes" to be run at Pimlico Race Course on May 16, 1980. *The Board's denial of May 12, 1980 of request by NYCOTB dated May 8, 1980 to conduct a specail "Double Exacta" on the "Black-Eyed Susan Stakes" to be run at Pimlico Race Course on May 17, 1980. The details of this special wager are outlined in their letter of request.
- 11. <u>Jose Amy/Licensed Jockey</u>. The Board's prior approval of May 13, 1980 of a prehearing suspension (pursuant to SAPA 401) of the license of Jockey Jose Amy, upon his admission, under oath, in Eastern District Federal Court, to his race fixing activities.
- Saratoga Harness 3000 General Admission Tax Exempt Passes. The Board' prior approval of May 15, 1980 of request by Saratoga Harness dated April 29, 1980 to print 3000 General Admission Tax Exempt passes and distribute the passes as a promotional item to all members of the "Saratoga Harness Horseplayers Club". This club is non profit and is defined as only a mailing list of interested parties.

C. For Board Approval:

- 1. Yonkers Raceway Additional Exacta. The Board denied request by Yonkers Raceway to add an Exacta to its current wagering program in the second race, beginning on May 23, 1980.
- Finger Lakes Additional Races. The Board approved request by Finger Lakes Race Track for permission to run 10 races at Finger Lakes Race Track on the following days: Sunday, May 23; Monday, May 26; Friday, July 4; Sunday July 6; Saturday, July 12; Sunday, August 17; Sunday, August 31; Monday, September 1; Sunday, September 21, 1980.
- 3. Buffalo Raceway -Programs. The Board approved request by Buffalo Raceway for permission to distribute their programs to Western New York OTB, who would sell them to their customers at a price that will be agreed upon between Buffalo Raceway and Western Regional OTB, to commence on Monday, June 16, 1980 until the end of their summer meet, July 26, 1980. With respect to the provisions of Section 5204.7 of the Official Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations of the State of New York.
- 4. Finger Lakes 1980 Promotions. The Board approved request by Finger Lakes Race Track to conduct promotions as outlined in their letter of request dated April 21, 1980.
- 5. NYCOTB- Delaware Racing Association. The Board approved OTBC Contract
 No 131C This contract is between New York City Off-Track Betting
 Corporation, Inc. and the Delaware Racing Association. The basic
 provisions provide that during the term of this Agreement (July 12, 1980 September 7, 1980) the NYCOTB will accept wagers on races run at
 Delaware Park on Tuesdays when NYRA is dark.
 - 6. Yonkers Raceway Promotions 1980 Summer Meeting. The Board approved request by Yonkers Raceway of the listed promotions for the 1980 Summer meet as outlined in their letter of request dated May 5, 1980.
 - 7. Yonkers Raceway American Tote 300 System. The Board approved the submitt copy of the contract between Yonkers Raceway and American Tote for the installation of the Tote 300 System.
- 8. Repeal of 41 .4. The Board deferred action on this matter until a later date.
- 9. Vernon Downs Promotion Changes and Additions. The Board approved request by Vernon Downs dated April 29, 1980, for the following changes and additions for their 1980 racing season. 1. The opening promotion in which every patron paying a regular admission to the track on the first two nights of racing was given a perforated strip of three tickets that were each redeemable for one free admission to the track on a Monday through Thursday night basis, up to and including May 1st, met with such success that they would kike to extend this period through Thursday, May 8th because they were closed for three nights due to inclement weather the second week of racing. 2. The opening "Bounce Back" ticekt promotion has met with such success that they propose the following promotion to cover the period up until the school vacation period. Namely, anyone who pays admission on Friday or Saturday, May 16 or 17, 1980 will get three free tickets good for free admission to

the track any Monday through Thursday from May 19 through June 19th. This ticket giveaway will be part of the Niatross Weekend Bonus which will also feature giveaway of a four-color "Help Harness Racing" brochure. The track will have 8,000 of these brochures on hand so that everyone who comes to the track on May 17th will receive one of these brochures free. 3. Party Night Bounce Back Ticket- Last season, they had over 25,000 people that came in one of their group plans. To encourage these people to come back to the track again without their group, they respectfully request that every person who attends a party night gets a free "BounceBack" ticket which would be good for free admission to the clubhouse on any Monday through Friday night of their choosing for the balance of the season. 4. Twenty-Eighth Anniversary Celebration Tuesday July 1st- on Tuesday, July 1, they propose to celebrate their twenty-eighth anniversary, granting free admission to everyone and free general parking. In addition they would sell beer, coffee, soft drinks, and hot dogs for ¢.30 each.

- 10. Roosevelt Raceway Stakes #8. The Board deferred action on this matter until a later date.
- 11. Finger Lakes New York Derby. The Board approved request by Finger Lakes Racing Association, Inc. to allow W.C.G.R., a Canandaigua radio station to broadcast live the New York Derby on July 20, 1980 and the Rochester Cup on August 17, 1980.
- 12. Saratoga Raceway Children 12 years and under Free admission. The Board denied request by Saratoga Raceway to offer free admission to all children 12 years of age and younger effective Monday, May 26, 1980, and continuing throughout every racing program scheduled at Saratoga Harness Racing, Inc. for its entire 1980 Season.
- 13. Saratoga Raceway \$2,500 Claiming Races. The Board deferred action on this matter until a later date.
- Hearing Officer Report in the Matter of The Appeal of the Perinton Booster Club, ID# 26-303-99-06886. The Board approved recommendation of Hearing Officer Garrison affirming on appeal the determination of the Village of East Rochester dated, January 29, 1980, denying the issuance of a bingo license to the Perinton Booster Club, Inc. after a finding that appellant was not domiciled within its territorial limits.
- 15. NYCOTB- Pick-Four at Yonkers. The Board approved request by NYCOTB to continue the Pick-Four wager at Yonkers Raceway during its upcoming meeting. Details of this request are outlined in their letter of request dated May 13, 1980.
- 16. Hearing Officer Report in the Matter of Ted Wing (Driver). 8th race, Roosevelt Raceway = 2/29/80 "Interference". The Board confirmed the recommendation of Hearing Officer Rooks for five day suspension of driver's license.

- 17. Apprentice Jockey Mike Gonzalez. The Board approved request by Apprentice Jockey Mike Gonzalez for an extension on his apprenticeship Mr. Gonzalez was injured on July 13, 1979 and re-instated on August 18, 1979, losing 36 days. Mr. Gonzalez's apprentice allowance originally expired on July 10, 1980, it is being extended for an additional 36 days. Mr. Gonzalez's apprenticeship now ends on August 17, 1980.
- 18. With, Rahner, Pincus; Reconsideration of Board's order of 12/29/78 as per Appellate Division Decision and Order in this matter. The Board deferred action on this matter until a later date.

- D. For Board Notice and Discussion:
- New York State Register 4/23/80 Emergency Action no Hearing Scheduled - Grounds for the Refusal, Suspension and Revocation of Licenses at Thoroughbred Race Tracks - 4002.9 - NOTED
- 2. Letter of L. Doobin, 5/5/80 Meadowlands official programs from Saturday, May 3, showing the add whereby patrons bringing this program to Monticello were admitted free of charge. NOTED
- Letter of M. Zwerin, 4/30/80 Autotote expiration of present labor agreement with Local #3 IBEW. NOTED
- 4. Letter of S. Gross 5/13/80- OTBC Contract No. 075G between NYCOTB and Maryland Jockey Club of Baltimore City. NOTED
- 5. WROTB Seminar -NOTED