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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the State Racing Commission held on due notice at the office of the Commission, 745 Fifth Avenue, New York City, on Wednesday, January 11, 1956, at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon.

## PRESENT:

Mr. Ashley T. Cole, Chairman  
Mr. William C. Langley, Commissioner

Also present was Mr. Harry J. Millar, Secretary.

The Commission discussed at length the matter of United Hunts Racing Association which is desirous of conducting a two-day hunt meeting at Belmont Park in October, 1956.

Other matters of interest to the Commission were discussed.

There being no further business, on motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned.



Secretary

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Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting of the State Racing Commission  
held at the office of the Commission, 745 Fifth Avenue, New York City, on Wednesday,  
February 8, 1956, at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon.

PRESENT:

Mr. Ashley T. Cole, Chairman

The Chairman reported that due notice of the meeting had been given to  
all Commissioners.

In view of the inability of the other Commissioners to be present, the  
meeting was adjourned to Thursday, February 9, 1956, at the same time and place.



Secretary.

Minutes of an Adjourned and Special Meeting of the State Racing Commission held at the office of the Commission, 745 Fifth Avenue, New York City, on Thursday, February 9, 1956, at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon.

PRESENT:

Mr. Ashley T. Cole, Chairman  
Mr. William C. Langley, Commissioner

Also present were Mr. Harry J. Millar, Secretary and Mr. Francis P. Dunne, Steward.

The Secretary reported that due notice of this Special Meeting had been given to all Commissioners.

The Commission discussed the applications of United Hunts Racing Association, dated February 7, for a two-day meeting with pari-mutuel betting, to be conducted at Belmont Park, October 18 and 19, 1956.

The Chairman presented and read the following telegram, dated February 8, from Commissioner Swirbul:

"I hereby agree to give United Hunts Racing Association two days racing on dates agreeable to Greater New York Association and Commission and United Hunts I have discussed this with Tompkins who is agreeable to giving of dates and I feel it is in best interest of racing if the Association amends its license to give dates to United Hunts Racing Association as originally intended or to grant the dates to United Hunts through Greater New York Association."

The Chairman stated that it was his opinion that such a meeting might be illegal for the reason that The Greater New York Association Inc. will be obligated by the provisions of 7507-a to pay to the State in 1957 for the exercise of its racing and betting franchises in 1956, an amount equal to the taxable income of such Association, as provided in such Section of the Law, with a minimum fee of \$1,000 per day; and that if it leased its premises to United Hunts Racing Association, and the latter derived and retained a profit from its operations, the result could be action by the State against The Greater New York Association Inc. to recover the lost profits of the two days. The Chairman further stated, however, that if The Greater New York Association Inc. advised the Commission that it was willing to make such a lease, he would favor granting a license for such a meeting with pari-mutuel wagering, to United Hunts Racing Association.

Commissioner Langley offered the following resolution which, upon motion duly made and seconded, was adopted:

RESOLVED, that in order to conform the Racing Franchise of The Greater New York Association Inc., dated September 27, 1955, with paragraph 4 of the Application of the Association dated September 16, 1955, the second paragraph of said Franchise be and it hereby is amended, pursuant to the Association's request, by inserting after the phrase "in no event less than 196 days" the parenthetical phrase "(less such number of days not more than two in any year for which a license to conduct hunt meetings shall have been granted)".

The Commission considered the application of Peter Salmore for a revision and correction of Rule No. 124, or, in the alternative, for the calling of an open hearing with respect to such application.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Chairman was authorized and directed to advise the attorneys for Mr. Salmore that the application was denied.

Upon motion of the Chairman, the Commission approved his action in appointing Francis P. Dunne as Director of Licensing for the 1956 season to date from January 17 to March 31, inclusive, at \$75.00 per day, plus such additions thereto as may be made by law.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Commission duly approved the following list of seasonal employees for the season commencing April 1 and ending November 15, 1956, subject to further action by the Commission:

Francis P. Dunne, Steward	
Samuel Ziegler, Assistant to Steward	
Dr. Jordan G. Woodcock, Supervisor of Drug Tests	
George W. Thompson, Assistant to Supervisor of	
	Drug Tests
James J. Kiernan .....	Inspector
Lawrence J. McMahon .....	"
David F. Malone .....	"
John J. Schult .....	"
William Brennan .....	"
Raymond A. Breton .....	"
Edmund A. Caulfield .....	"
William B. Dean .....	"
John Donohue .....	"
William Gates .....	"
Howard J. Gotterup .....	"
John A. Hendricks .....	"
Frederick L. Kennedy ...	"
Thomas E. McKnight .....	"
John Shelepets .....	"
Thomas F. Willoe .....	"
Harry S. Neuman .....	"
Hyman Solomon .....	"

Upon motion duly made and seconded the Commission, in accordance with Rule 80, approved the following officials having to do with the actual conduct of racing for the 1956 season, viz.:

Racing Officials for the 1956 New York Racing Season:

Steward representing The Jockey Club .....	Marshall Cassidy
Deputy to Mr. Marshall Cassidy, Steward	
representing The Jockey Club .....	Calvin Rainey
Racing Secretary and Handicapper .....	Frank E. Kilroe
Assistant Racing Secretary .....	Julius Reeder
Assistant Handicapper .....	Fred H. Parks
Starter .....	George B. Cassidy
Placing Judge .....	William A. Murphy Jr.
Clerk of the Scales .....	Joseph Kyle
Assistant Clerk of the Scales .....	F. W. Meinz
Paddock and Patrol Judge .....	Myron D. Davis
Assistant Paddock and Patrol Judge .....	Walter J. Mara
Patrol Judge .....	Austin McLaughlin
Timer .....	John E. O'Hara

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Commission approved Mr. Harold O. Vosburgh as Steward representing The Greater New York Association Inc., for their 1956 race meetings.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Commission approved Mr. Fred H. Parks as Steeplechase Steward and Mr. John Cooper as Steeplechase Racing Secretary and Handicapper at race meetings of The Greater New York Association Inc., in 1956.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Commission approved the following officials having to do with the actual conduct of racing for temporary positions during the 1956 season, viz.:

Clifford McCartney	Racing Secretary's Office
Clarence Minner	" " "
Thomas Trotter	" " "
Dr. J. G. Catlett	Horse Identification Dept.
Dr. M. A. Gilman	" " "
Dr. Herbert Cox	" " "
John Breen	" " "
Gerard A. Burke	" " "
N. J. Hyland	" " "
Warren Mehrstens	" " "
William T. O'Connor	" " "
Donald Peregoy	" " "
Howard Storms	" " "
Frank Ritz	Assistant Starter
James Dailey	Outrider
Lucas Dupps	Outrider
William Knapp	Timer's Flagman
John F. Kennedy	The Jockey Club

Providing, however, that no persons hereby approved for temporary positions shall be designated as temporary stewards except Dr. J. G. Catlett and Mr. John F. Kennedy.

The Commission considered the applications of Adjacent Hunts Racing Association for licenses to conduct a hunt meeting with pari-mutuel betting, at Purchase, New York, May 26, 1956.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the aforesaid applications were granted, and the Chairman was authorized to execute and deliver such licenses to Adjacent Hunts Racing Association upon payment of the daily fee therefor, which is hereby fixed at \$25.00. The Commission also fixed the reimbursement fee for supervisory services at \$35.00.

The Commission discussed the amendment of the disqualification rules (300 and 335), considered specific amendments thereto and agreed to hold a public hearing on the subject early in April. The Jockey Club and National Steeplechase and Hunt Association are to be consulted, as these rules are rules of racing.

There being no further business, on motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned.

  
Secretary.



Minutes of a Special Meeting of the State Racing Commission held on due notice at the office of the Commission, 745 Fifth Avenue, New York City, on Thursday, March 8, 1956, at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon.

PRESENT:

Mr. Ashley T. Cole, Chairman  
Mr. William C. Langley, Commissioner

Also present were: Mr. Harry J. Millar, Secretary and Mr. Francis P. Dunne, Steward.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Chapter 12 of the Laws of 1956, Rule 28 now reading as follows:

"28. Each applicant for a license shall pay to the Commission an annual license fee as follows: Owner's license, five dollars; trainer's license, fifteen dollars; assistant trainer's license, fifteen dollars; jockey's license, twenty-five dollars; jockey agent's license, ten dollars; and stable employee's license, one dollar."

be, and the same hereby is amended to read as follows:

"28. Each applicant shall pay to the Commission an annual license fee as follows: Owner's license if a renewal, ten dollars, and if an original application, twenty-five dollars; trainer's license, fifteen dollars; assistant trainer's license, fifteen dollars; jockey's license, twenty-five dollars; jockey agent's license, ten dollars; and stable employee's license, two dollars fifty cents."

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Commission approved the prices to be charged for admissions and all other similar facilities by The Greater New York Association Inc., at its Spring Meeting at the Jamaica Race Track, commencing April 2, 1956 and terminating May 12, 1956, as set forth in schedule accompanying letter of Mr. B. A. Tompkins dated February 24, 1956, with the exception that the Commission did not approve the charges for grandstand taxable complimentary tickets and badges and the special horsemen clubhouse badges. In view of the provisions of the law with respect to the minimum charge for admission to race tracks, these two items were disallowed on the understanding that the track would abolish those particular forms of tickets and badges.

The Commission also discussed at length the situation of The Greater New York Association Inc., with special reference to the bills introduced into the Legislature on its behalf which would award an additional 1% of the pari-mutuel pools to an enfranchised track. Other matter with respect to the GNYA were also discussed at length.

The Commission considered and took appropriate action with respect to applications for occupational licenses. In view, however, of the fact that information with respect to "card checks" had not been received from Pinkerton's National Detective Agency and the Thoroughbred Racing Protective Bureau, approval was given subject to reports from these agencies showing no objections.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned.

*Harry J. Millar*  
Secretary.

Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting of the State Racing Commission held on due notice at the office of the Commission, 745 Fifth Avenue, New York City, on Wednesday, April 11, 1956, at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon.

PRESENT:

Mr. Ashley T. Cole, Chairman  
 Mr. William C. Langley, Commissioner  
 Mr. L. A. Swirbul, Commissioner

Also present were: Mr. Harry J. Millar, Secretary, Mr. Francis P. Dunne, Steward and Mr. John P. Powers, Counsel.

The Chairman made a statement to the meeting with respect to the Annual Meeting of the National Association of State Racing Commissioners to take place at Chicago, Ill., from June 22 to 28, with headquarters at the Edgewater Beach Hotel, and stated that if anyone was desirous of attending they should arrange for reservations through Secretary Millar.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Commission approved the prices to be charged for admissions and other similar facilities by The Greater New York Association Inc., at its Summer Meeting at Belmont Park Race Track, commencing May 14, as set forth in schedule accompanying letter of Mr. Edward L. Kilroe dated April 3, 1956.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Commission approved the list of officials for the 1956 meeting of the Adjacent Hunts Racing Association, Inc., on May 26th, as follows:

Stewards

John McNamee Sullivan, representing Hunts Committee of National Steeplechase and Hunt Association  
 Richard I. Robinson and Alvin Untermeyer, representing Adjacent Hunts Racing Association  
 John E. Cooper, Racing Secretary and Handicapper

Placing Judges

Frederic H. Bontecou	Chester J. LaRoche
John E. Cooper	Daniel M. McKeon
Richmond Meyer	Carlo M. Paterno

Patrol Judges

Beaufort E. Buchanan	R. D. Mellick, Jr.
Franklin G. Chapin, Jr.	R. L. Parish, Jr.
Harry T. Gibson	A. Porter Waterman
Thomas Glynn	R. H. Waterman
Henry L. Heming	

Harold A. Plumb, Starter  
 Lawrence J. Abbundi, Clerk of Scales  
 Frederic H. Bontecou, Paddock Judge  
 Thomas M. Waller, Timer  
 Rodney H. Waterman, Clerk of Course

Physicians

Dr. Howard P. Serrell  
 Dr. John W. Gerster, Jr.

Dr. W. F. Vail, Veterinarian

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Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Commission approved the prices to be charged for admissions and other similar facilities by the Adjacent Hunts Racing Association, Inc., for its meeting on May 26, as follows:

General Admission	\$2.00
Clubhouse Admission	4.50
Membership Subscription	15.00
Clubhouse Exchange	2.50
Box Seats	7.92
Box Seat Exchange	3.42
Complimentary Tax (General Admission)	.35

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the following resolutions were adopted:

RESOLVED, that the Commission does hereby fix the sum of \$35.00 as the fee for providing supervisory functions at the race meeting of Adjacent Hunts Racing Association, Inc.

RESOLVED, that Robert B. Young be, and he hereby is appointed Official Steward of the Racing Commission for the one-day hunt meeting of Adjacent Hunts Racing Association, Inc., to serve without compensation.

RESOLVED, that Dr. Jordan G. Woodcock and George W. Thompson be, and the same hereby are designated to attend the meeting of Adjacent Hunts Racing Association, Inc., May 26, for the purpose of taking saliva and urine specimens for analysis by the Commission Laboratory.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Commission approved the contract between CBS Television and The Greater New York Association Inc., for the televising of certain feature races at Belmont Park, Jamaica and Saratoga race tracks during 1956.

The Chairman stated that in view of the Commission's position with respect to the licensing of a meeting for United Hunts Racing Association to be held at Belmont Park on two days to be hereafter determined, it is necessary to amend the Racing Franchise and the Pari-Mutuel Betting Franchise heretofore granted to The Greater New York Association Inc. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Commission approved the execution of an Amended Racing Franchise and an Amended Pari-Mutuel Betting Franchise for The Greater New York Association Inc., which would permit that Association to make a lease of its facilities at Belmont Park to United Hunts Racing Association, Inc., for a two-day meeting at a date to be hereafter determined. The three Commissioners thereupon executed copies of the said Franchises for delivery to The Greater New York Association Inc.

The Chairman acquainted the Commissioners with the negotiations conducted by himself and Chief Auditor O'Brien with The Greater New York Association Inc., with a view to bringing its system of accounting into line with Commission requirements.

The Chairman stated to the Commissioners the steps he had taken in connection with the increase of fares on the Long Island Rail Road transportation to the race tracks from 75 cents to \$1.00 each way, pointing out that the Public Service Commission had really forced the application by the Long Island Rail Road and had approved it without any opportunity to be heard. The Chairman also stated that

Commissioner Jacoby, who signed the order of approval, suggested to him that it would be conducive to much better public relations for the Public Service Commission if this Commission would not press its application for a hearing on the subject of the increased fares. It is understood that no further steps are to be taken by the Commission in this matter at the present time.

The Chairman reported the receipt of tentative plans for a race track near Canandaigua, N. Y. The meeting especially considered the proposed length of the track and upon advice of Counsel to the Commission the plan for the racing strip was rejected for the reason that it provided for a strip of three-quarters of a mile, whereas the law requires that the circumference of the track should be not less than one mile.

The Commission discussed, at considerable length, the rules concerning disqualifications and apprentices' allowances with respect to which it had called a public hearing to be held at Belmont Park on Thursday, April 19, 1956.

The Commission considered a proposed letter to Mr. John W. Hanes, President of the Board of Trustees of The Greater New York Association Inc., stating its preference for the complete rebuilding of the Aqueduct plant and for minor improvements at Belmont Park. The Chairman was duly authorized to prepare such a letter and the same was signed by all Commissioners.

The Commission considered and took appropriate action with respect to applications for occupational licenses.

There being no further business, on motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned.

  
Secretary.

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the State Racing Commission held on due notice in the Trustees' Room in the Clubhouse at Belmont Park Race Course on Thursday, April 19, 1956, at twelve o'clock noon.

PRESENT:

Mr. Ashley T. Cole, Chairman  
Mr. William C. Langley, Commissioner  
Mr. L. A. Swirbul, Commissioner

Also present were: Mr. Harry J. Millar, Secretary and Mr. Francis P. Dunne, Steward.

Following a public hearing called by the Commission at this place at 10:30 in the forenoon for the purpose of considering amendments to the disqualification rule and the apprentice rule, the Commission considered amendments to the said rules.

The Chairman presented a letter from Mr. Alex M. Robb, Assistant Secretary of The Greater New York Association Inc., requesting its approval for the issuance of special tax tickets for group attendance to be sold at \$1.75 each to be good only on a specified date and at a specified track. Upon motion duly made and seconded, such approval was granted.

The Commission thereupon adjourned to the Stewards' Box at Jamaica Race Course for the purpose of further considering the disqualification rule.

  
Secretary

Minutes of an Adjourned Special Meeting of the State Racing Commission held in the Stewards' Box at Jamaica Race Course, Borough of Queens, City of New York on Thursday, April 19, 1956, at 12:45 o'clock in the afternoon.

PRESENT:

Mr. Ashley T. Cole, Chairman  
 Mr. William C. Langley, Commissioner  
 Mr. L. A. Swirbul, Commissioner

Also present were: Mr. Harry J. Millar, Secretary, Mr. Francis P. Dunne, Steward, Mr. Marshall Cassidy, Steward of The Jockey Club and Mr. Harold O. Vosburgh, Steward, representing The Greater New York Association Inc.

The Commissioners discussed with the Stewards the adoption of a new rule 300 (i) and the amendment of Rule 335 with respect to disqualifications.

After a lengthy discussion, the Commission adopted, by a vote of two to one, Commissioner Langley voting in the negative, the following amendment to Rule 335 so that the same will now read as follows:

"335. The Stewards are vested with the power to determine the extent of disqualification in case of fouls. They may place the offending horse behind such horses as in their judgment it interfered with, or they may place it last."

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Commission adopted a new rule 300 (i) to read as follows:

"300 (i) The extent of disqualification shall be determined by the Stewards as in these rules provided."

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned.

  
 Secretary.

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the State Racing Commission held on due notice at the office of the Commission, 745 Fifth Avenue, New York City, on Tuesday, April 24, 1956, at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon.

## PRESENT:

Mr. Ashley T. Cole, Chairman  
Mr. William C. Langley, Commissioner

Also present were: Mr. Harry J. Millar, Secretary and Mr. Francis P. Dunne, Steward.

The Chairman presented to the meeting a form of statement to be given publicity, but not in the form of a press release, with respect to the proposed changes in the apprentice allowance rule and the same was duly approved for distribution.

The Chairman presented an application by letter dated April 20 of The Greater New York Association Inc., by Edward L. Kilroe, Assistant Secretary, for approval of certain plans to provide additional pari-mutuel facilities in the Grandstand area of the paddock at Belmont Park, and for the erection of a wind screen to be installed at the Clubhouse end of the Grandstand. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the application was granted, the plans approved and the Chairman was authorized to issue the usual permits for the construction of these improvements.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Commission repealed Rule 124 (1) reading as follows:

"No disqualified horse shall be considered in any mutuel pay-off."

The Commission discussed the subject matter of proposed plans which it is believed will be submitted to it on or about July 1st for the improvement of the race tracks in the Metropolitan area and it was agreed that the Commission would retain engineering advice with respect to such plans when submitted.

The Commission considered and took appropriate action with respect to applications for occupational licenses.

There being no further business, on motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned.




Secretary

Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting of the State Racing Commission,  
held on due notice at the office of the Commission, 745 Fifth Avenue, New York City,  
on Wednesday, May 9, 1956 at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon.

PRESENT:

Mr. Ashley T. Cole, Chairman

The Chairman reported that in view of the inability of the other  
Commissioners to be present, the meeting was adjourned without date.

  
Secretary.

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Minutes of a Special Meeting of the State Racing Commission held on due notice at the Office of the Commission at Belmont Park, Elmont, Nassau County, New York, on May 14, 1956, at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

PRESENT:

Mr. Ashley T. Cole, Chairman  
Mr. L. A. Swirbul, Commissioner

Also present were: Mr. Harry J. Millar, Secretary and Mr. Francis P. Dunne, Steward.

The Commission considered and took appropriate action with respect to applications for occupational licenses.

In view of the fact that Mr. Robert B. Young is unable to act as Steward for the Commission at the Adjacent Hunts meeting at Purchase, New York, May 26, the Chairman was authorized to request Mr. Stephen C. Clark, Jr. to serve in such capacity, and in the event that Mr. Clark is unable to serve, to select a Steward to represent the Commission for such meeting.

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commission approved the charge for reserved seats in the Turf and Field Section in the Club House at Belmont Park for the 1956 meetings at \$3.00.

The Commission considered at length the application of Nelson J. Waterbury dated May 2, 1956, for an owner's license for the 1956 season. In the opinion of the Commission, Mr. Waterbury fails to meet the statutory requirements of financial responsibility, experience, character and general fitness, and is of opinion that his participation in racing as an owner would not be consistent with the public interest, convenience or necessity, or with the best interests of racing generally, in conformity with the requirements of Chapter 440 of the Laws of 1926, as amended. In coming to this conclusion, the Commission considered the decision of the Court of Appeals rendered March, 1956, in Matter of Fink vs. Cole et al, and has availed itself of the information obtained in the investigations made in connection with Mr. Waterbury's two previous applications and the testimony taken thereon, all of which information and testimony is in the files of the Commission, and the Commission also considered the decision of the Supreme Court, New York County, rendered on or about April 16, 1956, on Mr. Waterbury's application for a review of the Commission's refusal to issue to him an owner's license for 1955.

There being no further business, on motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned.

  
Secretary.

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the State Racing Commission, held on due notice, at the office of the Commission at Belmont Park, Elmont, Nassau County, New York on Saturday, May 26, 1956, at 3:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

PRESENT:

Mr. Ashley T. Cole, Chairman  
Mr. L. A. Swirbul, Commissioner

Also present were: Mr. Harry J. Miller, Secretary and Mr. Francis P. Dunne, Steward.

The Chairman stated that the Secretary of State had designated Mr. Lionel K. Levy, Architect, address 158 East 35th Street, New York, for consideration by the Commission as its representative to advise the Commission respecting the forthcoming plans of The Greater New York Association Inc., for the rehabilitation of Aqueduct race-track and Belmont Park race-track. A statement of his professional activities submitted by Mr. Levy was presented to the meeting.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, Mr. Levy was designated pursuant to Section 7579 Unconsolidated Laws, to advise the Commission with respect to the plans of The Greater New York Association Inc., for the rehabilitation of Aqueduct race-track and Belmont Park race-track.

The Chairman informed the meeting that he had discussed with Mr. Levy the subject matter of his fee for services to be rendered and had suggested that the Commission would much prefer that Mr. Levy agree upon the amount of his fee with Messrs. Stone & Webster, engineers for The Greater New York Association Inc. Mr. Levy stated that he would do so and, in fact, it was his custom to do so.

There being no further business, on motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned.

  
Secretary.

Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting of the State Racing Commission held on due notice at the office of the Commission, 745 Fifth Avenue, New York City, on Wednesday, June 13, 1956 at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon.

PRESENT:

Mr. Ashley T. Cole, Chairman.

The Chairman reported that in view of the inability of the other Commissioners to be present, the meeting was adjourned without date.

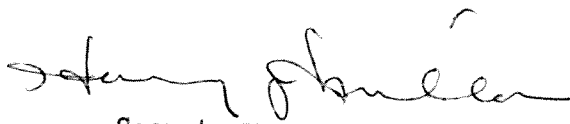
  
Secretary.

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the State Racing Commission held on due notice at the office of the Commission, 745 Fifth Avenue, New York City, on Monday, July 2, 1956 at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon.

PRESENT:

Harry J. Millar, Secretary

The meeting called for this date is hereby adjourned at the request of the Chairman to Wednesday, July 4, 1956 at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon, at the Commission office at Belmont Park Race Course, Elmont, Nassau County, New York.

  
Secretary.

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the State Racing Commission, held on due notice, at the office of the Commission at Belmont Park, Elmont, Nassau County, New York, on Wednesday, July 4, 1956, at 3:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

PRESENT:

Mr. Ashley T. Cole  
Mr. L. A. Swirbul, Commissioner

Also present were: Mr. Harry J. Millar, Secretary; Mr. Francis P. Dunne, Steward, and Mr. John P. Powers, Counsel.

The Chairman presented to the meeting a letter to him from Mr. Powers expressing the opinion that a meeting of the Commission for the transaction of business could be legally held on a legal holiday. A copy of the opinion follows:

"Dear Commissioner Cole:

In connection with the proposed meeting of the Racing Commission on July 4th, I have examined the provisions of Section 62 of the Public Officer Law in connection therewith.

I find that it has been held in Flynn v. Union Surety, Etc., Co., 170 N. Y. 145 and Cohn v. Townsend, 48 Misc. 47, that the purpose of the Sections of the General Construction Law establishing holidays is to relieve public officers and employees from the duty of performing official services on such days, but that such Section does not prohibit a public officer from voluntarily performing an official act on such days, or render such acts void or voidable.

Similar views were expressed by the Attorney General in his 1913 Opinions at page 180.

It is, therefore, my opinion that any action taken by the Racing Commission at our meeting on the 4th of July is perfectly valid and that we need not be disturbed about the Section of the statutes dealing with holidays.

With kind personal regards.

Cordially yours,

(sgd.) John P. Powers

John P. Powers  
Counsel."

Upon motion duly made and seconded the Commission duly approved the application of The Greater New York Association Inc., dated June 27, 1956, for racing dates as follows:

Belmont Park - Monday, September 3rd through Monday, October 15th, inclusive -- 37 racing days;

Jamaica Race Track - Thursday, October 18th through Thursday, Nov. 15th, inclusive -- 25 racing days.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Commission duly approved the application of United Hunts Racing Association, dated June 28, 1956, for racing dates as follows:

Belmont Park - Tuesday, October 16th and Wednesday, October 17th, inclusive -- 2 racing days.

Upon motion duly made and seconded the Commission approved the schedule of prices for admissions and other privileges at the Jamaica meeting, July 9th to August 4, 1956, as set forth in letter of Edward L. Kilroe, Assistant Secretary, dated June 23, 1956.

Upon motion duly made and seconded the Commission ratified and approved the action of the Chairman in approving the officials having to do with the actual conduct of racing at the one day meeting of Adjacent Hunts Racing Association, Inc., May 26, 1956, at Purchase, New York.

Upon motion duly made and seconded the Commission adopted the following resolution regarding the "program" of The Greater New York Association Inc.:

RESOLVED that the Commission approve, and it does hereby approve, the program adopted by The Greater New York Association Inc., June 26, 1956, for:

- (1) An entirely new racing plant to be built at the Aqueduct site;
- (2) major improvements, in the traffic and parking facilities, with important betterments in the clubhouse and grandstand, at Belmont Park; and
- (3) the retention of the Jamaica plant in status quo during the construction period of the program above cited;

all as set forth in letter of B. A. Tompkins, President of the Administrative Division of said Association, dated June 26, 1956; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that in granting approval as aforesaid, the Commission shall not be deemed to have approved any plans described in Section 20 of Chapter 254 of the Laws of 1940, as amended; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the approval of the program set forth in the first paragraph of this resolution is conditional upon the submission by the Association to the Commission of final, full and detailed plans for the carrying out of said program as and when the same are completed for submission, with application for the approval thereof by the Commission, as provided by said Section 20 of Chapter 254 of the Laws of 1940 as amended.

The Commission also approved the proposed press release respecting its approval of said "program" and the Fall racing dates.

The Commission considered and took appropriate action with respect to applications for occupational licenses.

There being no further business, on motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned.

  
Secretary

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## PRESENT:

Mr. Ashley T. Cole, Chairman

The Chairman reported that in view of the inability of the other  
Commissioners to be present, the meeting was adjourned without date.

  
Secretary.

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the State Racing Commission, held on due notice, at the office of the Commission, 745 Fifth Avenue, New York City, on Thursday, August 9, 1956 at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon.

PRESENT:

- Mr. Ashley T. Cole, Chairman
- Mr. William C. Langley, Commissioner

Also present was Mr. John P. Powers, Counsel.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Commission approved the prices to be charged for admissions and other similar facilities, by The Greater New York Association Inc. at the Saratoga Race Track, for the meeting commencing August 6 and terminating September 1, 1956 as follows:

<u>Paid Admissions Daily</u>	<u>Complimentary Admissions Daily</u>	<u>Reserved Seats Clubhouse &amp; Grandstand</u>
<u>Grandstand</u>	<u>Clubhouse</u>	
Price \$ 1.30	Service Cost \$ .84	Price \$1.00
Fed. Tax .26	Fed. Tax .17	Fed. Tax .20
State Tax .195	State Tax .495	State Tax .15
County Tax .195	County Tax .495	County Tax .15
\$ 1.95	\$ 2.00	\$1.50
 	<u>Boxes</u>	
<u>Clubhouse</u>	<u>Clubhouse</u>	
Price \$ 3.30	Price \$ 96.00	
Fed. Tax .66	Fed. Tax 19.20	
State Tax .495	State Tax 14.40	
County Tax .495	County Tax 14.40	
\$ 4.95	\$144.00	
<u>Clubhouse Exchange</u>	<u>Grandstand</u>	
Price \$ 2.00	Price \$ 72.00	
Fed. Tax .40	Fed. Tax 14.40	
State Tax .30	State Tax 10.80	
County Tax .30	County Tax 10.80	
\$ 3.00	\$108.00	

The Chairman stated the substance of a conversation which he had with Mr. E. A. Tompkins of The Greater New York Association Inc. with respect to the utilization of \$1.00 tickets for the Field Stand at Saratoga Springs in connection with an advertising campaign. The Chairman offered the following resolution which, upon motion duly made and seconded, was unanimously adopted.

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 15 of Chapter 254 of the Laws of 1940, The Greater New York Association Inc., be and it is hereby permitted to maintain at its race course at Saratoga Springs, New York, a fieldstand located between the end of its grandstand and the head of the home stretch and not within its infield, to which the minimum charge shall be not less than one dollar, inclusive of taxes.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Commission approved the request of The Greater New York Association Inc., for the usual radio and television broadcasting at Saratoga during the month of August, as outlined in letter dated July 9, 1956 from Mr. Robert F. Kelley.

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Upon motion duly made and seconded, Rule 278(a) with respect to apprentice allowances, now reading as follows:

278. (a) Any male between the ages of sixteen and twenty-five, who has never previously been licensed as a jockey in any country, and has of his own free will, and, if under age, with the written consent of his parents or guardian, bound himself to an owner or trainer for a period of four years by written contract approved by and filed with The Jockey Club, and after at least one year service with a racing stable, may claim in all overnight races, except handicaps, the following allowances.

- (1) Five pounds until he has ridden 100 winners.
- (2) Two pounds additional until he has ridden 100 winners, if riding for his contract holder.
- (3) Five pounds will continue while riding for his contract holder until the expiration of one year after he rides his first winner, in the event that he rides 100 winners before that year expires.
- (4) Two pounds only while riding for his contract holder after he has ridden 100 winners and after expiration of one year after riding first winner, for remainder of contract.

The above allowances for the contract holder will apply when the apprentice is riding horses which are actually owned by the holder of the apprentice contract and will not apply when the apprentice is riding horses trained by the contract holder, but owned by someone else. The contract holder is defined as the holder of the apprentice contract at the time the apprentice rode his first winner.

be and the same hereby is amended to read as follows:


"Any male between the ages of sixteen and twenty-five years who has of his own free will, and, if under age, with the written consent of his parents or guardian, bound himself to an owner or trainer for a term of not less than three nor more than five years (subject to written extension if made for less than five years) by written contract approved by and filed with The Jockey Club, and after at least one year service with a racing stable, may claim in all overnight races, except handicaps, the following allowances.

- (1) Five pounds until he has ridden forty winners; if he has ridden forty winners prior to the end of one year from date of riding his first winner, the five pound allowance continues until the end of that year.
- (2) After the completion of conditions above, for one year he may claim three pounds when riding horses owned or trained by his original contract employer provided his contract has not been transferred or sold since he rode his first winner.
- (3) The holder of the contract at the time the boy rides his first winner shall be considered the original contract employer."

The Commission discussed the Stewards report with respect to the charges against Jerome Hirsch, holder of an owner's and a trainer's license. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Secretary was authorized to advise Mr. Hirsch that the suspension of his licenses imposed by the Stewards was continued; and further that he be required to show cause before the Commission September 6, 1956, at 11:00 o'clock in the forenoon, why his licenses should not be revoked, the grounds of such action to be set forth in a letter read to the meeting and approved by the Commissioners.

The Chairman presented a letter from Arthur F. Helliwell, at one time licensed in New York as a jockey's agent, asking how he might proceed to requalify in the State of New York. Upon suggestion of the Chairman, action was deferred to permit further discussion with members of the staff.

There being no further business, on motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned.

  
Secretary

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the State Racing Commission, held on due notice, at the Office of the Commission, Saratoga Race Track, Saratoga Springs, New York, on Saturday, August 18, 1956, at four o'clock in the afternoon.

PRESENT:

Mr. Ashley T. Cole, Chairman


Mr. William C. Langley, Commissioner

Also present were: Mr. Harry J. Millar, Secretary and Mr. Francis P. Dunne, Steward.

The Commission considered and took appropriate action with respect to applications for occupational licenses.

The Commission considered the recommendation of the Stewards with respect to Jerome Hirsch, holder of an owner's and a trainer's license and fixed Thursday, September 6, 1956, at 11:00 o'clock in the forenoon, at the office of the Commission, No. 745 Fifth Avenue, Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, as the time and the place for a hearing. The Chairman was authorized to forward all the material in the Commission file with respect to Mr. Hirsch to Mr. John P. Powers, its Counsel, to prepare for the hearing.

There being no further business, on motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned.

  
Secretary.

Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting of the State Racing Commission, held on due notice, at the office of the Commission, 745 Fifth Avenue, New York City, on Wednesday, September 12, 1956, at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon.

## PRESENT:

Mr. Ashley T. Cole, Chairman  
Mr. William C. Langley, Commissioner

Also present were: Mr. Harry J. Millar, Secretary, Mr. Francis P. Dunne, Steward and Mr. John P. Powers, Counsel.

Mr. Francis P. Dunne presented a letter dated September 12, requesting the permission of the Commission to serve as Racing Secretary at Tropical Park Race Course, Florida, from November 28, 1956 to January 16, 1957, both dates inclusive.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Commission approved the request of Mr. Dunne to serve as Racing Secretary at Tropical Park from November 28, 1956 to January 16, 1957.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Commission approved the prices to be charged for admissions and other similar facilities by the United Hunts Racing Association for its 1956 race meeting at Belmont Park race track on October 16 and 17, 1956, as follows:

PAID ADMISSIONS DAILY

<u>Club House</u>		<u>Grand Stand</u>		<u>Club House Exchange</u>		<u>Turf &amp; Field Guest</u>	
Price		Price		Price		Price	
Federal Tax	.66	Federal Tax	.26	Federal Tax	.40	Federal Tax	.66
State Tax	.495	State Tax	.195	State Tax	.30	State Tax	.495
N.Y.C. Tax	.495	N.Y.C. Tax	.195	N.Y.C.	.30	N.Y.C. Tax	.495
	<u>\$4.95</u>		<u>\$1.95</u>		<u>\$3.00</u>		<u>\$4.95</u>

COMPLIMENTARY ADMISSIONS DAILY

<u>Club House</u>	
Service Cost	\$ .63
Federal Tax	.13
State Tax	.495
N.Y.C. Tax	.495
	<u>\$1.75</u>

UNITED HUNTS MEMBERS

State Tax	\$ .495
N.Y.C. Tax	.495
	<u>\$0.99</u>

BOXES

<u>Turf &amp; Field - Daily</u>		<u>Club House - Daily</u>		<u>Grand Stand - Daily</u>		<u>Grand Stand Box Seats-Daily</u>	
Price		Price		Price		Price	
Federal Tax	2.00	Federal Tax	1.60	Federal Tax	.80	Federal Tax	.20
State Tax	1.50	State Tax	1.20	State Tax	.60	State Tax	.15
N.Y.C. Tax	1.50	N.Y.C. Tax	1.20	N.Y.C. Tax	.60	N.Y.C. Tax	.15
	<u>\$15.00</u>		<u>\$12.00</u>		<u>\$6.00</u>		<u>\$1.50</u>

RESERVED SEATS

<u>Grand Stand - Daily</u>	
Price	\$1.00
Federal Tax	.20
State Tax	.15
N.Y.C. Tax	.15
	<u>\$1.50</u>

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Commission approved the following list of officials for the 1956 meeting of the United Hunts Racing Association at Belmont Park race track on October 16 and 17:

Stewards

Francis P. Dunne, representing State Racing Commission  
 Marshall Cassidy, representing The Jockey Club  
 Harold O. Vosburgh, representing National Steeplechase and Hunt Association  
 F. S. von Stade, Invited Member of The Jockey Club and National Steeplechase  
 and Hunt Association

Franke E. Kilroe	Racing Secretary and Handicapper
Julius G. Reeder	Assistant Racing Secretary
Fred H. Parks	Assistant Handicapper
John E. Cooper	Racing Secretary and Handicapper for Steeplechases
George B. Cassidy	Starter
Wm. T. O'Connor	Placing Judge
William A. Murphy, Jr.	" "
John E. O'Hara	" "
Joseph E. Kyle	Clerk of Scales
Fred W. Meinz	Assistant Clerk of Scales
Myron D. Davis	Paddock and Patrol Judge
W. J. Mara	Patrol and Assistant Paddock Judge
Lucas Dupps	Patrol Judge
Austin McLaughlin	Patrol Judge
Donald Peregoy	Timer
Fred L. Capossela	Announcer
Dr. M. A. Gilman	Examining Veterinarian
Dr. J. G. Woodcock	Supervisor of Drug Tests for State Racing Commission
Dr. John J. Kilgallen	Physician
Dr. Philip Tuths	Physician

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Commission approved the prices to be charged for admissions and other similar facilities by The Greater New York Association Inc., at the Jamaica Race Track, from October 18 through November 15, 1956, as follows:

PAID ADMISSIONS DAILY

<u>Clubhouse</u>		<u>Clubhouse Exchange</u>		<u>Grandstand</u>	
Price	\$3.30	Price	\$2.00	Price	\$1.30
Federal Tax	.66	Federal Tax	.40	Federal Tax	.26
State Tax	.495	State Tax	.30	State Tax	.195
City Tax	.495	City Tax	.30	City Tax	.195
	<u>\$4.95</u>		<u>\$3.00</u>		<u>\$1.95</u>

COMPLIMENTARY ADMISSIONS DAILY

<u>Clubhouse</u>	
Service Charge	\$ .63
Federal Tax	.13
State Tax	.495
City Tax	.495
	<u>\$1.75</u>

RESERVED SEATS

<u>Clubhouse (Saturdays Only)</u>	
Price	\$1.00
Federal Tax	.20
State Tax	.15
City Tax	.15
	<u>\$1.50</u>

BOXES


<u>Clubhouse</u>	
Price	\$100.00
Federal Tax	20.00
State Tax	15.00
City Tax	15.00
	<u>\$150.00</u>

GRANDSTAND (DAILY)

Price	\$1.00
Federal Tax	.20
State Tax	.15
City Tax	.15
	<u>\$1.50</u>

The Commission considered and took appropriate action with respect to applications for occupational licenses.

There being no further business, on motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned.

  
Secretary.

11-11-46

Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting of the State Racing Commission, held on due notice, at the office of the Commission, 745 Fifth Avenue, New York City on Wednesday, October 10, 1956, at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon.

PRESENT:

Mr. Ashley T. Cole, Chairman  
Mr. William C. Langley, Commissioner

Also present were: Mr. Harry J. Millar, Secretary and Mr. Francis P. Dunne, Steward.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Commission approved the designation by The Jockey Club and The Greater New York Association Inc., of Colonel C. H. Barnes of 11 King Street West, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, as a patrol judge on a temporary basis for the Jamaica meeting commencing October 18, 1956.

The Chairman read to the meeting letter dated October 8 of President Sol Rutchick of the New York Division of the Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association, requesting the Commission's support for an extension of the period of racing in New York, to be effected by statutory amendment. After discussion of the subject the Commission decided to defer any action on Mr. Rutchick's request.

The Chairman stated that various oral communications had been made to him and to Secretary Millar by Mr. Karl Schlegel of Rochester, with respect to the financing of a race track in or near Canandaigua, N. Y.; that Mr. Schlegel had presented orally for consideration several plans of financing through different groups, all of which indicated that the greater part of the financing would have to come from outside sources; that on an estimated cost of \$2,500,000, local interests would subscribe not more than \$750,000. After discussion of the matter the Commission decided that it would not look favorably upon any proposition for financing unless a majority of the money required was subscribed locally. Secretary Millar was instructed to advise Mr. Schlegel orally as to the Commission's position in the matter.

The Chairman stated that he was proposing certain amendments to the Rules and Regulations and that with respect to Rules 222(b) and 222(c), he had consulted with The Jockey Club and had received letters from Mr. Cassidy, its Executive Secretary, approving the proposed changes and stating that The Jockey Club would consider making the same changes in its Rules of Racing. The amendments approved were as follows:

Upon motion duly made and seconded, present Rule 25 was repealed and a new Rule 25 adopted reading as follows:

"25. Each member of the Commission upon retirement, shall have the title of Honorary Commissioner in recognition of his services, with such duties, rights and privileges as may be specified by the Commission."

Upon motion duly made and seconded, Rule 38 was amended by adding thereto a new paragraph (c) to read as follows:

"38(c). Disqualification of a husband or wife from having a license applies equally to both."

Upon motion duly made and seconded, Rule 216, now reading as follows:

"No horse is qualified to be entered or run which is wholly or partly the property of or leased to, or in any way under the care or superintendence of, a disqualified person. Disqualification of a husband or wife from racing horses or having any license applies equally to both."

be and the same hereby is amended to read as follows:

"216. No horse is qualified to be entered or run which is wholly or partly the property of or leased to, or in any way under the care or superintendence of, a disqualified person. Disqualification of a husband or wife from racing horses applies equally to both."

Upon motion duly made and seconded, Rule 222(b), now reading as follows:

"All horses owned wholly or in part by the same owner or trained by the same trainer must be coupled and run as an entry."

be and the same hereby is amended to read as follows:

"222(b). All horses owned wholly or in part by the same owner or the spouse of any such owner or trained by the same trainer, must be coupled and run as an entry."

Upon motion duly made and seconded, Rule 222 was amended by adding thereto a new paragraph (c) to read as follows:

"222(c). Not more than two horses trained by the same person shall be drawn into any overnight race, or on the also-eligible list, to the exclusion of another horse."

The Commission considered and took appropriate action with respect to applications for occupational licenses.

There being no further business, on motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned.



Secretary.



Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting of the State Racing Commission,  
held on due notice at the office of the Commission, 745 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City on Wednesday, November 14, 1956 at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon.

PRESENT:

Mr. Ashley T. Cole, Chairman

The Chairman declared the Regular Monthly Meeting adjourned to Friday,  
November 16, 1956 at 10:30 A. M. for which due notice has been given.



Secretary.

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the State Racing Commission, held on due notice, at the office of the Commission, 745 Fifth Avenue, New York City, on Friday, November 16, 1956, at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon.

PRESENT:

Mr. Ashley T. Cole, Chairman  
Mr. William C. Langley, Commissioner

Also present were: Mr. Harry J. Millar, Secretary, Mr. Francis P. Dunne, Steward and Mr. John P. Powers, Counsel.

The Chairman presented a letter dated October 26, 1956 from Mr. John W. Hanes, President of the Board of Trustees of The Greater New York Association Inc., stating that action had been taken by the Board to submit to the Commission the of Mr. Joseph Walker, Jr., for approval as a Trustee to fill the vacancy which presently exists. Commissioner Langley presented a letter dated November 14 from Mr. George D. Widener, Honorary Chairman of the Board of Trustees of The Greater New York Association, requesting that the Commission postpone consideration of Mr. Walker's name until a later date, as the resignation of a Trustee was expected and the Association would submit two names at the same time. Accordingly, no action was taken upon the request of Mr. Hanes.

The Steward presented a report by the Board of Stewards dated October 20 which was issued in the form of a press release, with respect to the report of the laboratory showing the presence of procaine in the urine of the horse TACLOS which finished 2nd in the 5th race at Jamaica on October 16. In view of the statement by the Stewards that they found no evidence of an attempt to alter the racing condition of the horse and that the presence of procaine was due entirely to a medication administered to the horse for an infection of the larynx, by Dr. William C. Reed, the action of the Stewards was approved in disqualifying Taclos from second position and redistributing the money, excluding Taclos from any participation therein.

The Steward also presented a report by the Board of Stewards dated November 12 which was issued in the form of a press release with respect to the report of the Laboratory showing the presence of caffeine in the body fluids of the horse HUESO which won the 4th race at Jamaica on November 1. The Stewards stated that they were satisfied from the evidence that there was no responsibility for the administration of the drug on the part of either the trainer, Bernard Fields or his groom, Louis Hernandez. The action of the Stewards in redistributing the purse, excluding Hueso from participation therein, was approved.

At the instance of the Chairman the following amendments were made to the Commission Rules and Regulations.

Adopted new Rule 41A to read as follows:

"41A. All persons holding or applying for occupational licenses are forbidden to employ in any capacity in or in connection with their licensed occupations, any person determined or adjudged by the Commission to be ineligible for an occupational license."

Adopted new Rule 75A to read as follows:

"75A. Any person going upon the racing strip or any part thereof or into the winners' enclosure, at any time between fifteen (15) minutes before post-time of the first race and fifteen (15) minutes after the finish of the last race on the day's program, without the permission of the Stewards, shall be ejected promptly from the premises of the Association."

Amended Rule 278(a) with respect to apprentice jockeys so that the rule would read as follows, the new matter being underlined.

"278. (a) Any male between the ages of sixteen and twenty-five years, who has never previously been licensed as a jockey in any country, and who has of his own free will, and if under age, with the written consent of his parents or guardian, bound himself to an owner or trainer for a term of not less than three nor more than five years (subject to written extension if made for less than five years) by written contract approved by and filed with The Jockey Club, and after at least one year service with a racing stable, may claim in all overnight races, except handicaps, the following allowances:"

Adopted new Rule 301 B to read as follows:

"301 B. The Stewards shall have the authority to declare a race void and to order all wagers made thereon refunded if they shall determine that any occurrence before or during the running of such race calls for such action by them."

A discussion was had with respect to the talk by the Steward and Mr. Marshall Cassidy and Dr. Jordan Woodcock with veterinarians Drs. Reed, Wright and Allen, concerning complaints by the veterinarians about Rule 94A. Upon motion duly made and seconded, Rule 94A was amended to read as follows, the new matter being underlined.

"94A. No owner or trainer or his representative, shall employ a veterinarian who is not duly licensed as such by the Department of Education of the State of New York. Licensed associations shall use all reasonable efforts to prevent non-licensed veterinarians from practicing on their premises.

Every such veterinarian who shall prescribe or use any medication or treatment which contains a drug or drugs which he has reason to believe are of such character as would affect the racing condition of a horse in a race, shall at the time of such prescribing or use deliver to the Steward of the State Racing Commission and the trainer of the horse under treatment a written statement setting forth the names of the horse and of the trainer and the fact that such medication or treatment, as the case may be, contains a drug, stimulant or narcotic which, in the opinion of the veterinarian, is of a character as could affect the racing condition of the horse in a race."

The Commission then discussed the possibility of a violent demonstration occurring on the New York tracks similar to that which recently occurred at Yonkers Raceway, a conference for the consideration of which has been called for Tuesday, November 20.

The matter of the hearing with respect to the revocation of jockey's license of Ronald Ralph Wilson, set for Tuesday, November 20 at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon, was briefly considered.

The Commission considered and took appropriate action with respect to applications for occupational licenses.

There being no further business, on motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned.

  
Secretary

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the State Racing Commission held at the office of the Commission, 745 Fifth Avenue, New York City, on November 20, 1956 at 11:00 o'clock in the forenoon, all Commissioners being present.

PRESENT:

Mr. Ashley T. Cole, Chairman  
 Mr. William C. Langley, Commissioner  
 Mr. Leon A. Swirbul, Commissioner

Also present were: Mr. Harry J. Millar, Secretary and Mr. John P. Powers, Counsel.

This meeting was held to permit a general conference between the Commissioners and representatives of thoroughbred racing with a view of taking measures to deal with possible disturbances at our tracks. Those in attendance were Chairman Ashley T. Cole, Commissioner William C. Langley, Commissioner Leon A. Swirbul and Secretary Harry J. Millar for the Commission. Mr. George D. Widener, Chairman of The Jockey Club, Messrs. Robert A. Pinkerton and Jerome V. O'Grady of Pinkerton's National Detective Agency, Messrs. Spencer Drayton and Edmund P. Coffey of the Thoroughbred Racing Protective Bureau (TRPB), Mr. Marshall Cassidy, Secretary General, Mr. Edward L. Kilroe, Assistant Secretary and Mr. Robert F. Kelley for The Greater New York Association Inc., Deputy Chief Inspector Michael J. Ledden, New York City Police Department in charge of the uniformed force in the Borough of Queens and Assistant Chief Inspector Francis B. Looney of the Nassau Police Department.

Commissioner Monaghan had told Commissioner Cole by telephone that he expected to have Deputy Commissioner Michael J. Monz and Counsel Michael J. McGrath attend the meeting to represent the State Harness Racing Commission. However, neither of these officials attended and no word was received from Commissioner Monaghan.

The discussion was directed to finding ways and means to prevent interference with racing programs by unruly patrons intruding upon the racing strip. The result of the conference was agreement upon measures for tightening up protection both by the municipal and the private police to more effectually handle such a situation.

In thanking those present for attending, Commissioner Cole suggested that any person who had recommendations which would contribute to the desired end, should please submit them to the Commission in writing.

There being no further business, on motion duly made and seconded the meeting was adjourned.



Secretary.

D-11116

Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting of the State Racing Commission, held on due notice at the office of the Commission, 745 Fifth Avenue, New York City on Wednesday, December 12, 1956 at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon.

PRESENT:

Mr. Ashley T. Cole, Chairman

Also present was Harry J. Millar, Secretary.

The Chairman declared the Regular Monthly Meeting adjourned to Thursday, December 13, 1956 at 10:30 A. M.



Secretary.

Minutes of an Adjourned Regular Meeting of the State Racing Commission held at the office of the Commission, 745 Fifth Avenue, New York City, on Thursday, December 13, 1956, at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon.

PRESENT:

- Mr. Ashley T. Cole, Chairman
- Mr. William C. Langley, Commissioner

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commission approved the following items of capital expenditure made during 1956 by The Greater New York Association Inc.:

JAMAICA

Water lines and catch basins	\$ 16,696.74
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BELMONT PARK

Sewer line	\$143,926.22
Paddock betting booths	27,816.68
Grandstand Windscreen	<u>2,420.00</u>
	<u>\$174,162.90</u>

SARATOGA

New bunkhouse	\$ 25,830.00	
54-Stall Barn	56,262.00	
2373 stadium seats	<u>36,164.10</u>	
	<u>\$118,256.10</u>	<u>\$309,115.74</u>

The Commission discussed its position with respect to the legislation which would be requested by The Greater New York Association in the 1957 Legislature and the Chairman was authorized to state that it favored the allowance to the GNYA of an additional 1% of the pari-mutuel pools in both the first and second zones and also the extension of the racing season beyond November 15.

The Commission discussed the question of vaccination against Equine Encephalomyelitis and decided to postpone action thereon until opportunity is had for a discussion of the matter with Dr. Woodcock and Mr. Marshall Cassidy.

The Commission also considered various matters for inclusion in its Annual Report.

There being no further business, on motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned.

Secretary.

D-11110

