

Ohio State Racing Commission

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Scott Borgemenke Chairman

Minutes of the Ohio State Racing Commission Meeting held on May 22, 2019

- 1-The Ohio State Racing Commission (Commission) held its monthly meeting May 22, 2019 at the Riffe Center, 77 South High Street, Columbus, Ohio, Room 1948, at 10 am.
- 2-Commission Chairman Scott Borgemenke called the meeting to order. Commissioners William Patmon Jr., Beth Hansen, Greg Simpson and Thomas Winters were present.
- 3-Commissioner Winters moved to approve the minutes of the April 23, 2019 Commission meeting. Commissioner Simpson seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote.
- 4- Executive Director Bill Crawford discussed Executive Director approvals. Commissioner Winters moved to ratify the Executive Director's approvals. Commissioner Simpson seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote.
- 5-Executive Director Bill Crawford discussed Commission Resolution 2019-05 cost of testing. Commissioner Simpson moved to approve Resolution 2019-05. Commissioner Hansen seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote.
- 6-Dr. Beverly Byrum and Soobeng Tan spoke regarding the Analytical Toxicology Laboratory (Lab) 2018 Annual Report to the Commission. The Lab tests equine blood and urine samples looking for prohibited substances from seven commercial racetracks and county fairs. Of the 20, 413 samples analyzed, 144 samples were reported to contain prohibited substances. This was a 7.5 percent increase over 2017.
- 7-Dr. James Robertson, Commission consulting veterinarian, gave an update on catastrophic horse fatalities at Ohio racetracks. He stated in May there were five catastrophic breakdowns through May 22nd. In 2019 there has been 15 catastrophic deaths with 14 Thoroughbred and 1 Standardbred due to training or racing.
- 8-Sherry White, Commission Fiscal Officer, gave her monthly financial report. She stated that revenues are up 3 percent and expenses are up two percent over last year. Commission's rent expense was reduced from one hundred thousand dollars per year to forty-seven thousand dollars per year.
- 9-Chairman Borgemenke discussed the safety and medication subcommittees. Commissioner Simpson will be the safety committee chairperson. Commissioner Hansen has agreed to be medication committee chairperson.
- 10-There were no public comments.

11-There being no further business, Commissioner Winters moved to go into executive session to discuss personnel matters. Commissioner Simpson seconded the motion. The motion to go into executive session was unanimously approved by roll call vote. Chairman Borgemenke stated after executive session, the commission would only move to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Simpson moved to go out of executive session. Commission Winters seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote except Commissioner Patmon who was excused.

12-Commissioner Winters moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Hansen seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved.

The public meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Date, Time & Place of Next Meeting Thursday, June 27, 2019 @ 10 am 77 South High Street, Room 1948 Columbus, Ohio 43215

Scott Borgemenke, Chairman

William Cawford, Executive Director