



## Ohio State Racing Commission

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Governor

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### Minutes of the Ohio State Racing Commission Meeting held on January 19, 2022

1. The Ohio State Racing Commission ("Commission") held its' monthly meeting January 19, 2022, room 1948, Vern Riffe Center, beginning at 10:05am.
2. Commission Chairman Scott Borgemenke called the meeting to order. Chairman Borgemenke and Commissioners Beth Hansen, Greg Simpson and Thomas Winters were present. Commissioner Bill Patmon was present via a phone link in a non-voting capacity. Four (4) commissioners fulfilled the quorum requirements.
3. Commissioner Winters moved to approve the December 15, 2021, Commission meeting minutes. Commissioner Simpson seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote.
4. Commissioner Hansen moved to ratify the Executive Director's approvals. Commissioner Winters seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote.
5. Commissioner Hansen moved to consider and approve Resolution 2022-01 Casino Revenue Distribution. Commissioner Winters seconded the motion. Commissioner Winters brought up safety issues at tracks and possibly putting the commercial operations money into escrow. Discussion was held and the motion was left as put forth. The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote.
6. There were no items for the Executive Director's Report.
7. Commissioner Winters moved to approve the 2022 Ohio Thoroughbred Race Fund 2022 Stakes Schedule. Commissioner Simpson seconded the motion. Chairman Borgemenke thanked Thistledown representative, Patrick Ellsworth for his work on the schedule. The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote.
8. Commission veterinarian, Dr. James Robertson, updated the Commission on horse fatalities in Ohio for the 2021 year. There was a total of 48 equine catastrophic deaths; forty one (41) thoroughbred and seven (7) standardbreds. Through January 19, 2022, there have been four (4) fatalities with two (2) from the thoroughbreds and two (2) from the standardbreds.
9. Sherry White, Commission Fiscal Officer, gave her monthly financial report. Both revenue and expenses are up compared to the covid recovery year. Our income from tax

revenue is down due to a statute restriction and lower income in 2020 due to being just down for 3 months. It is expected that the last of the decrease will be seen by February. Chairman Borgemenke asked to be informed of where the 6% goes when it does not go to us.

10. Commissioner Winters gave an update on the status of HISA. HISA has hired an executive director. They are looking for a replacement for USADA but that appears a difficult prospect which leaves 2022 mostly addressing safety with no medication component.

#### 11. Committee Reports

- a. Medication Committee – Commissioner Hansen that the amicar and Lasix resolution needs some work and she expects the resolution to be ready for the February meeting.
- b. Safety Committee – Commissioner Simpson said there will be a safety committee meeting on February 1, 2022. He spoke about the accident at Northfield Park and changes needed in industry response to accidents. Chairman Borgemenke said safety is paramount and we need a commitment from tracks for upkeep and safety.
- c. Standardbred Committee-Commissioner Winters said there is not too much occurring right now but the Ohio Sire Stakes (OSS) revised sheets are available and should be approved soon.

12. Chairman's Comments – Chairman Borgemenke said the chairman has no comments.

13. There were no public comments.

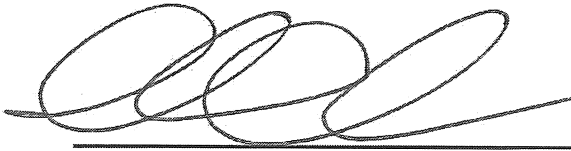
14. Chairman Borgemenke asked for a motion to move to executive session. Commissioner Winters made a motion to go to Executive Session to discuss personnel matters and pending court cases. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Simpson. The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote. Commissioner Winters made a motion to come out of executive session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Simpson.

15. Commissioner Winters made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Simpson seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote. The public meeting adjourned at 11:52am.

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Date, Time & Place of Next Meeting  
Wednesday, February 23, 2022 @ 10am Room 1948 Riffe Center

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Scott Borgemenke, Chairman

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Christopher Dragone, Executive Director