



Ohio State Racing Commission

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Minutes of the Ohio State Racing Commission Meeting held on November 25, 2019

1-The Ohio State Racing Commission (Commission) held its monthly meeting November 25, 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 Beth Hansen, Greg Simpson, and Thomas Winters were present.

3-Commissioner Simpson moved to approve the minutes of the October 30, 2019 Commission meeting. Commissioner Hansen 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 Northfield Park's 2020 meet requests. Commissioner Hansen moved to approve Northfield Park's 2020 meet requests. Commissioner Simpson seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

6-Discussion for approval of policies and procedures requested by the state auditors was pulled from discussion by the Commission.

7-Sherry White, Commission Fiscal Officer, gave her monthly financial report. She stated Commission revenues are up ten percent due to the collection of fine money and a slight increase in casino revenue.

8- Dr. James Robertson, Commission consulting veterinarian, gave an update on catastrophic horse fatalities at Ohio racetracks. He stated in November there were no catastrophic breakdowns thru November 25, 2019. In 2019 there has been a total of 36 catastrophic deaths with 33 Thoroughbred and 3 Standardbred due to training or racing.

9A-Commissioner Hansen gave a Medication Committee report. Commissioner Hansen stated that the new medication thresholds are set to go into place on January 1, 2020. She asked if the tracks or the horsemen associations had any concern with these thresholds being implemented in forty-five days. No concerns were stated.

9B-Commissioner Simpson gave a Safety Committee report. He stated the first safety committee meeting is being held after the Commission meeting.

10-The Chairman asked both horsemen groups about fine money be used to provide a free thanksgiving dinner to the horsemen.

11-There were no public comments.

12-There was no executive session.

13-Commissioner Simpson moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Hansen seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved by a roll call vote.

The public meeting adjourned at 10:25 am.

Date, Time & Place of Next Meeting

Wednesday, December 18, 2019 @ 10 am

77 South High Street, Room 1960

Columbus, Ohio 43215



Scott Borgemenke, Chairman



William Crawford, Executive Director