Minutes of the

New York State Racing Commission

1961

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 Thursday, January 12, 1961, at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon.

PRESENT:

Ashley T. Cole, Chairman Joseph A. Gimma, Commissioner

Also present were: Harry J. Millar, Secretary and James A. Flood, Counsel.

The meeting discussed at length the situation presented by a lease by Canandaigua Enterprises Corporation to Finger Lakes Racing Association, Inc., of the entire proposed racing plant at Farmington and also the petition filed with the Commission on January 11 for approval of a further amendment to the certificate of incorporation of Finger Lakes Racing Association, Inc. The Commission agreed that it would adjourn this meeting to Monday morning, January 16, at 10:30 A. M. to discuss the subject matter with those interested in the construction and operation of the proposed track. The Chairman was authorized to notify Mr. Cyrus S. Jullien, President of Finger Lakes Racing Association with respect to the Commission's desire for such a meeting.

The Chairman presented an application dated January 5, 1961 by The New York Racing Association for the Commission's approval for the 1961 racing season of the following officials having to do with the actual conduct of racing:

Steward Appointed by The New York Racing Association - Myron D. Davis Supervisor of the Racing Department - John F. Kennedy Assistant Supervisor of the Racing Dept. - David H. Carnahan Racing Secretary and Handicapper - Thomas E. Trotter Assistants to the Racing Secretary and Handicapper - Nathaniel J. Hyland Patrick W. O'Brien Racing Secretary and Handicapper for Steeplechasing - John E. Cooper Starter - George B. Cassidy Clerk of Scales - Joseph E. Kyle Assistant Clerk of Scales - Fred W. Meinz Paddock and Patrol Judge - Walter J. Mara Patrol and Assistant Paddock Judge - Austin McLaughlin Patrol Judges - Gerard A. Burke Warren C. Mehrtens Placing Judges - William A. Murphy, Jr. William T. O'Connor Howard T. Storms, Jr. Timer - John E. O'Hara Chief Examining Veterinarian - Dr. Manuel A. Gilman Examining Veterinarians - Dr. Herbert M. Cox Dr. Arthur B. Christian Announcer - Fred L. Capossela Physicians - Dr. John J. Kilgallen

Dr. Philip Tuths

Upon motion duly made and seconded the Commission approved the said officials.

The same application dated January 5, also requested the approval of the following employees to be temporarily assigned to official positions in the actual conduct of racing:

> Theodore F. Atkinson Clifford D. McCartney Lucas Dupps Donald L. Peregoy Frank D. Ritz Robert F. Kelley, Jr.

Upon motion duly made and seconded the Commission approved the said officials.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the following were approved for temporary employment as Deputy Stewards representing The New York Racing Association:

Walter J. Mara
Gerard A. Burke
Warren C. Mehrtens
Joseph E. Kyle
John F. Kennedy

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Commission approved the application dated January 6, 1961 of The New York Racing Association Inc. for approval of the prices of admission and other facilities for the 1961 season as follows:

Admission Tickets

Grandstand:		<u>Clubhouse:</u>	
Base	\$1.33	Base	\$3.33
Federal Tax	•27	Federal Tax	.67
State Tax	•20	State Tax	.50
NYC Tax	20	NYC Tax	50
	\$2.00		\$5.00

Complimentary - Tax Payable - Clubhouse:

Service Charge	\$1.25
Federal Tax	•25
State Tax	•50
NYC Tax	50
	\$2.50

<u>Boxes</u>

	<u> 4 Seat</u>	<u> 5 Seat</u>	<u>6 Seat</u>	7 Seat
To Association	\$4.00	\$5.00	\$6.00	\$ 7.00
Federal Tax	.80	1.00	1.20	1.40
State	.60	.75	•90	1.05
City or County Tax	60	75	90	1.05
Total per diem	\$6.00	\$7.50	\$9.00	\$10.50

Reserved Seats - Clubhouse and Grandstand

Price per diem	\$1.00
Federal Tax	.20
State Tax	•15
City or County Tax	.15
Total	\$1.50

The Chairman presented a number of plans or drawings prepared by Arthur Froehlich & Associates, Architects for the Finger Lakes Racing Association track at Framington, Ontario County, New York, and read to the meeting letters of R. Maxwell James, Architect of Buffalo, dated respectively, December 5, 1960 and January 9, 1961, approving the said plans or drawings.

Upon motion duly made and seconded the construction described in said plans or drawings was approved and the Chairman was authorized to issue a construction permit in customary form evidencing such approval.

The Chairman presented to the meeting briefs which he had prepared on legislative bills at the request of the Associate Counsel to the Department of State and it was agreed that the Chairman should continue to prepare these briefs in his discretion.

There was some discussion of the amendments to Rules 279(a)(1) (apprentice jockeys allowances) and 293(c) (Repeal of the recall flag) and it was agreed to withhold action on promulgating the Commission's amendments to these rules until after The Jockey Club had an opportunity to make "recommendations" at its meeting on January 19, 1961.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned to Monday, January 16, 1961, at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon at the office of the Commission at the above address.

Secretary

Minutes of an Adjourned Meeting of the State Racing Commission, held on due notice, at the office of the Commission, 745 Fifth Avenue, New York City, on Monday, January 16, 1961, at 10:30 o'clock in the forencon.

PRESENT:

Ashley T. Cole, Chairman

Also present was: James A. Flood, Counsel.

Messrs. Cyrus S. Jullien, John P. Maguire, Jr., Luke H. O'Brien, Leonard M. Tuttman, M. Duke Manacher, John V. Thornton and Arnold R. Krakower, representing the Finger Lakes Racing Association, Inc. and Canandaigua Enterprises Corporation, attended the meeting and discussed their plans and the present status of the track located in the Town of Farmington, as reported in the Chairman's Memorandum dated January 17, 1961.

The Chairman reported that in view of the inability of Commissioners Hanrahan and Gimma to be present, no business was transacted and the meeting was adjourned without date.

Chairman

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 Thursday, February 9, 1961, at 10:00 o'clock in the forencon.

PRESENT:

Ashley T. Cole, Chairman Joseph A. Gimma, Commissioner

Also present were: Harry J. Millar, Secretary and James A. Flood, Counsel.

The Chairman reported that he had been informed that Commissioner Hanrahan was absent from New York and would be unable to attend meetings of the Commission for about two months.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, that the Commission approve and confirm the action of the Chairman in letter dated January 19, 1961, to Sherrill Ward, licensed trainer, in granting an extension of 67 days from February 1, 1961 on the apprentice jockey contract of Jack Yother because of 67 days lost by said Yother due to an emergency appendectomy operation performed by Dr. Alexander Kaye October 31, 1960.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, that in the event an application be received by the Commission for an extension of the period and term of an apprentice jockey contract because of the "exceptional circumstances" mentioned in Rule 279(d), and that the application cannot be held until the next meeting of the Commission because of the earlier termination of such apprentice jockey contract, the Chairman may, in his discretion, grant such extension in the name of the Commission and report the circumstances to the Commission at its next meeting for confirmation.

The Commission ratified and confirmed the action of the Chairman in approving the appointment of John E. Cooper as Steward to represent the National Steeplechase and Hunt Association during the 1961 racing season.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Commission approved the application dated February 1, by The New York Racing Association, Inc., for construction of pony stalls in the Receiving Barn area between Barns 12 and 13, according to Plan No. AFSK A-128 for Proposed Pony Stalls, dated February 1, 1961, and the Chairman was authorized to issue the usual form of permit for the construction described in said plan.

The Chairman made a statement with respect to information which had come to him concerning the progress made by the Finger Lakes Racing Association and also stated that he had referred to Pinkerton's National Detective Agency the names of the subscribers to \$1,500,000 capital stock of Canandaigua Enterprises Corporation for investigation and report.

The meeting discussed the reappointment of the seasonal staff. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned.

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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, February 28, 1961, at 10:00 o'clock in the forencon.

PRESENT:

Ashley T. Cole, Chairman Joseph A. Gimma, Commissioner

On motion of the Chairman, the following resolutions were adopted:

RESOLVED, that Francis P. Dunne be and he hereby is appointed Director of Licensing of the State Racing Commission to date from March 6 to March 18, both inclusive.

RESOLVED, that Francis P. Dunne be and he hereby is appointed Steward of the State Racing Commission to date from March 20 and to terminate on the 30th day of November, 1961.

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commission appointed the following seasonal staff to commence their duties March 20, 1961 and to terminate at the pleasure of the Commission, and the Chairman is hereby authorized and directed to make such additional appointments as may be necessary to fill all vacancies:

Hyman S George Allen S William James H Aldo J Nichola Nichola William William Howard Thomas John Sh Thomas	J. Gotterup E. McKnight
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The appointment of Arthur P. Schumann as an Inspector to date from March 23, as he is unable to report for duty before that date.

On motion duly made and seconded, Edmond A. Comans, Jr., D.V.M. was appointed Supervisor of Drug Tests for the racing season commencing March 20, 1961. The Chairman was authorized to endeavor to have Dr. Comans placed upon the payroll as of March 13 in order that he might give the intervening days to familiarizing himself with our procedures and equipment, as tending to the more efficient and speedy discharge of his duties when the season opens.



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On motion duly made and seconded, the Commission approved the filing in the office of the Secretary of State of a certificate amending the certificate of incorporation of The New York Racing Association Inc., by changing the location of its principal office from the County of New York to the County of Queens.

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commission approved the filing in the office of the Secretary of State of a certificate amending the certificate of incorporation of Finger Lakes Racing Association, Inc., to revise its authorized capitalization.

The Commission considered a letter from Bert Thompson, Managing Director of the Jockeys' Guild, dated February 3, 1961, requesting permission for Eddie Arcaro and Sam Boulmetis to appear before the Commission in opposition to the recent amendment to Rule 279(a) (1) respecting weight allowances for apprentice jockeys and requesting that the meeting be sometime between March 15 and March 17. The Chairman was authorized to inform Mr. Thompson that the Commission would be glad to hear Messrs. Arcaro and Boulmetis at its office at 745 Fifth Avenue, New York City, at 10:00 A. M. on Wednesday, March 15.

The Chairman reported to the meeting that he had requested Pinkerton's National Detective Agency to make an investigation of the subscribers to capital stock and the members of the proposed Board of Directors of Canandaigua Enterprises which, the Commission is advised, will build the track to be operated by Finger Lakes Racing Association, Inc.

On motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned.

Chairman.

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 Thursday, March 9, 1961, at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon.

PRESENT:

Ashley T. Cole, Chairman Joseph A. Gimma, Commissioner

Also present were: Harry J. Millar, Secretary, Francis P. Dunne, Steward and James A. Flood, Counsel.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was

RESOLVED, that the Commission approve and it does hereby approve the plans and drawings of Arthur Froehlich & Associates submitted March 7, 1961 for certain construction by the Finger Lakes Racing Association, Inc. at its proposed race track in the Town of Farmington, Ontario County, New York (with the exception of plans described as Sheets 1 to 8, inclusive and Sheets 12, 14, 15 and 18, heretofore approved by the Commission) subject to approval thereof by R. Maxwell James, Architect, retained to advise the Commission with respect thereto; and the Chairman is hereby authorized to make, execute and deliver the usual form of permit for the construction described in such plans and drawings.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was

RESOLVED, that, pursuant to the provisions of Section 1-a of paragraph 3, of Chapter 812 of the Laws of 1955, the Commission approve and it does hereby approve the nomination of Gerard S. Smith, to fill a vacancy in the Board of Trustees of The New York Racing Association Inc.

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commission approved the filing in the office of the Secretary of State of a certificate amending the certificate of incorporation of The New York Racing Association Inc. to provide for the annual election of all Trustees of the corporation.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was

RESOLVED, that Rule 267(f) now reading as follows:

"In all overnight races except handicaps, not more than six pounds may be deducted from the scale of weights for age, except for allowances, but in no case shall the total allowances of any type reduce the lowest weight below 101 lbs., except that this minimum weight need not apply to two year olds or three year olds when racing with older horses."

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

"267(f) In all overnight races except handicaps, not more than six pounds may be deducted from the scale of weights for age, except for allowances."

The Chairman read to the meeting letter dated March 3, 1961 from Bert Thompson, Managing Director of the Jockeys' Guild, Inc., in which he stated that in view of the fact that the Guild would not be able to give any further information, the Special Meeting schedule by the Commission for March 15 to hear Edward Arcaro and Sam Boulmetis with respect to the amendment to Rule 279(a) on weight allowances for apprentice jockeys, would not be required.

The Commission decided to again call the attention of the horsemen to the fact that its Rule 354(a) forbids the use of Butazolidin on race horses and a directive dated March 9, 1961 was approved.

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

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 Thursday, April 13, 1961, at 10:30 o'clock in the forencon.

PRESENT:

Ashley T. Cole, Chairman Joseph A. Gimma, Commissioner

Also present were: Harry J. Millar, Secretary, Francis P. Dunne, Steward and James A. Flood, Counsel.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Commission approved the applications dated March 17, 1961, by Adjacent Hunts Racing Association, Inc., for a license to conduct a Hunt meeting on Saturday, May 27, 1961, at Purchase, New York, and for a license to conduct pari-mutuel betting thereat; and the Chairman is hereby authorized and directed to issue a license for such race meeting and a license for pari-mutuel betting thereat in the usual forms.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Commission fixed the daily license fee to be paid by Adjacent Hunts Racing Association, Inc. at \$25.00 and the fee for supervisory services at \$50.00.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Commission approved the appointment of Stephen C. Clark, Jr., as its official Steward for the above meeting.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the following persons were approved as officials having to do with the actual conduct of racing at the above meeting:

Stewards

Stephen C. Clark, Jr.

Representing the State Racing Commission

John McNamee Sullivan Representing the Hunts Committee of the National Steeplechase and Hunt Association

W. C. Robinson, Jr.

John E. Cooper Racing Secretary and Handicapper

Placing Judges

John E. Cooper C. J. LaRoche

Daniel M. McKeon

Richmond Meyer

Richard I. Robinson

Patrol Judges

Francis J. Cook Anthony Harraway

R. D. Mellick, Jr. A. Porter Waterman

Carlyle M. Cameron, Starter Carlyle M. Cameron, Clerk of Scales

Paddock Judge Francis J. Cook

Chris Wood, Jr., Timer

Walter B. Devereux, Clerk of the Course

Physicians

Veterinarian

Dr. Howard P. Serrell

Dr. Robert Cornell

Dr. John W. Gerster. Jr.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Commission approved the proposed admission prices submitted by Adjacent Hunts for the above meeting. They are:

BOX (Seating 6)	\$60.00
Membership	20.00
Clubhouse	5.00
Clubhouse Exchange	2.50
General Admission	2.50

The Chairman presented to the meeting an agreement dated March 20, 1961 between The New York Racing Association Inc., and Sports Network, Inc., for the televising of feature races.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the proposed agreement was approved.

The meeting discussed proposed future relations with the District Attorney of Queens County in the event that positive reactions should be reported by the Laboratory with respect to illegal medication.

The Commission also discussed the possibilities of improved security in and about the testing enclosure.

The Commission considered the lease executed October 27, 1960 between Canandaigua Enterprises Corporation and Finger Lakes Racing Association, Inc., which was sent to the Commission under cover of letter dated April 3, 1961 from Cyrus S. Jullien, President of Finger Lakes Racing Association, Inc. The Commission determined to take no action at the present time with respect to the said lease.

Other matters of interest to the Commission were discussed.

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

Upon 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 Thursday, May 11, 1961, at 10:00 o'clock in the forencon.

PRESENT:

ASHLEY T. COLE, Chairman EDMOND M. HANRAHAN, Commissioner JOSEPH A. GIMMA, Commissioner

Also present was Harry J. Millar, Secretary.

By invitation of the Commission, John W. Hanes, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of The New York Racing Association Inc., Edward T. Dickinson, its President and Frank M. Basil, its Vice-President, Treasurer and Comptroller, attended before the Commission. They outlined to the Commission an arrangement which would probably be made with United Hunts Racing Association in connection with two days of racing at Belmont Park in October, 1961. The present plan contemplates the extending of courtesies to the members of United Hunts Racing Association who wear the Club button, by giving them the privilege of free admission, The New York Racing Association to pay the various taxes thereon. The two-day meeting will be held entirely under the auspices of The New York Racing Association, in the same manner that special days are assigned to various Clubs and groups and it is agreed that no part of the "take", admissions money or other income would be given to United Hunts Racing Association.

Mr. Hanes and Mr. Basil then outlined a plan for refinancing The New York Racing Association, particularly with respect to its existing debt. They were assured that the Commission would take favorable action with respect thereto when application therefor had been made.

On behalf of The New York Racing Association, Messrs. Hanes and Dickinson presented a proposal made by OlympicParkingService to build a bridge over Belt Parkway to connect with certain lands now held under lease by the Port of New York Authority which would be subleased to The New York Racing Association and also to repave the parking space at the Aqueduct race track and on the lands to be reached by the aforesaid bridge. The Commission expressed itself as favoring the proposal and suggested that application for approval be made in due form.

The Chairman presented to the meeting original letter of Cyrus S. Jullien, President of Finger Lakes Racing Association Inc. dated April 7, 1961, in which he requested approval of the names of Directors of that Association as follows:

M. Duke Manacher
Leonard M. Tuttman
John P. Maguire, Jr.
Luke H. O'Brien
Thomas Judson

Milton D. Goldman
Milton A. Abelove
Harry E. Robinson
Arthur J. Victor, Jr.
Cyrus S. Jullien

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the said persons above-named were approved for Directors of Finger Lakes Racing Association, Inc.

The Chairman also presented a letter of Mr. Jullien dated May 4, 1961, enclosing the preliminary prospectus of Canandaigua Enterprises Corporation, which Mr. Jullien stated was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on or about May 2, 1961. The Chairman expressed the opinion, that in view of the fact that Canandaigua Enterprises Corporation was not a racing association, it was beyond the jurisdiction of the State Racing Commission to take cognizance of this preliminary prospectus.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Chairman was authorized to advise Mr. Jullien in accordance with his opinion.

The Chairman made a statement with respect to the efforts of a group of persons living in Richmond County and Putnam County, to build a race track in or near Carmel in Putnam County. It was the sense of the Commission that such a project should be discouraged as, in the Commission's opinion, there should be no additional thoroughbred race tracks built in the State of New York under present circumstances.

In view of the inability of Stephen C. Clark to act as official Steward of the Commission at the Adjacent Hunts Racing Association meeting on May 27, 1961, the Commission approved the designation by the Chairman of John McNamee Sullivan as such Steward.

The Chairman outlined to the Commissioners the situation with respect to the position of Supervising Racing Inspector and was authorized to take such steps as might be necessary or proper to have the said position abolished.

The Chairman was also authorized, that upon the official creation of the position of Confidential Racing Aide, to appoint Raymond A. Breton to such position.

The Commission discussed at some length the question of the administration of forbidden medication to race horses.

The Annual Meeting of the National Association of State Racing Commissioners at Toronto, Canada running from June 6 to June 10, 1961, with headquarters at the Royal York Hotel, Toronto, was discussed. It was agreed that Secretary Millar should represent the Commission and that Commissioners Hanrahan and Gimma should also attend during the period specified for the convention to represent the State Racing Commission.

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

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, June 13, 1961, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon.

The regular monthly meeting was not held on the appointed date, viz., Thursday, June 8, for the reason that Commissioners Hanrahan and Gimma and Secretary Millar, were attending at the 27th Annual Convention of the National Association of State Racing Commissioners at Toronto, Canada.

PRESENT:

Ashley T. Cole, Chairman Edmond M. Hanrahan, Commissioner Joseph A. Gimma, Commissioner

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

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commission approved the plans for alterations and construction at Aqueduct, Belmont Park and Saratoga, specified in letter of Mr. Dickinson, President of The New York Racing Association, Inc., dated May 17, 1961. The Chairman was authorized to issue the usual form of permit therefor.

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commission ratified the action of the Chairman in approving the changes in racing officials at the Adjacent Hunts Racing Association meeting at Purchase, N. Y. on Saturday, May 27, 1961. The changes were as follows:

Mr. William C. Robinson, Jr. to act as Steward representing the Hunts Committee of the National Steeplechase and Hunt Association.

Mr. Buckley M. Byers and Mr. Amory L. Haskell to act as Stewards.

Mr. Walter B. Devereux to replace Mr. Richard F. Meyer as Placing Judge.

Mr. Anthony M. DelBalso to act as Patrol Judge.

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commission ratified the action of the Chairman in approving the temporary assignments of racing officials applied for in letter of Mr. Dickinson, President of The New York Racing Association, Inc., dated May 10, 1961. The temporary assignments are as follows:

Patrol Judges
William T. O'Connor
John E. O'Hara

Placing Judge Donald L. Peregoy

Timer Francis E. Thacker

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

On motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned.

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Secretary

Minutes of the regular monthly meeting of the State Racing Commission held at the office of the Commission at the Saratoga Race Course, Union Avenue, Saratoga Springs, New York, on Thursday, August 10, 1961, at 11:00 o'clock in the forenoon.

PRESENT:

Ashley T. Cole, Chairman Edmond M. Hanrahan, Commissioner Joseph A. Gimma, Commissioner

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

The Secretary presented to the meeting a letter from Sam Kanchuger, Director of Press Relations for The New York Racing Association Inc., requesting the Commission's approval for the broadcasting of certain races at the Saratoga race course during the August meeting.

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commission ratified the action of the Chairman in giving temporary approval to this program subject to the action of the Commission.

Other matters of interest to the Commission and to racing were discussed.

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 without notice, at the office of the Commission at the Saratoga Race Course, Union Avenue, City of Saratoga Springs, New York, on Saturday, August 12, 1961, at 6:00 P. M.

PRESENT:

Ashley T. Cole, Chairman Edmond M. Hanrahan, Commissioner Joseph A. Gimma, Commissioner

The Commissioners discussed at length an oral request by Mr. John W. Hanes, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of The New York Racing Association Inc. to change the place of the next race meeting from Aqueduct to Belmont Park to commence August 28 and to terminate September 30.

 $\mbox{Mr.}$ Hanes was requested to attend the meeting and furnish additional information.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was then adjourned at 7:00 P. M. to the Glubhouse at 8:30 P. M.

Upon resumption of the meeting in the Clubhouse at 8:30 P. M. with Mr. Hanes and Mr. Edward T. Dickinson, President of the Association, present as invited guests, Mr. Hanes presented a letter, of which the following is a transcript.

"Mr. Ashley T. Cole, Chairman New York State Racing Commission

August 12, 1961

Dear Mr. Cole:

Pursuant to our several conversations earlier today — the New York Racing Association respectfully requests that the New York State Racing Commission reallocate the dates for racing formerly assigned to Aqueduct beginning August 28th ending September 30th to be reassigned to Belmont Park.

It is necessary that we have a prompt answer to this request because so much remains to be done by all of our personnel between now and August 28th, the date we will open at Belmont Park.

Respectfully submitted.
(Sgd.) John W. Hanes
Chairman of the Board"

The matter was discussed further and, on motion duly made and seconded, it was

RESOLVED, that the place of the race meeting commencing August 28 and terminating September 30 be changed from Aqueduct to Belmont Park, and the Chairman was authorized to make and issue a press release containing information of such change.

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

Coleman

Minutes of the regular monthly meeting of the State Racing Commission called to be held at the office of the Commission, 745 Fifth Avenue, New York City, on Thursday, September 14, 1961, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon.

PRESENT:

Ashley T. Cole, Chairman

In view of the fact that Commissioner Hanrahan was absent in Ireland and that Commissioner Gimma had an imperative business engagement at his office and, further, that the only matter awaiting action by the Commission was the consideration of applications for occupational licenses, the Chairman adjourned the meeting without date.

Chairman.

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the State Racing Commission, all Commissioners being present, held on due notice, at the office of the Commission, 745 Fifth Avenue, New York City, on Tuesday, October 10, 1961, at 10:00 o'clock in the forencon.

PRESENT:

Ashley T. Cole, Chairman Edmond M. Hanrahan, Commissioner Joseph A. Gimma, Commissioner

Also present were: Harry J. Millar, Secretary, James A. Flood, Counsel, and Francis P. Dunne, Steward.

The Chairman stated that the Commission meeting had been called to take action upon a number of rules, some requiring amendment, some enactment, and some repeal.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the number of Rule 34. (b) was changed to 34. (d).

Upon motion duly made and seconded, new Rules 34. (b) and (c) were enacted to read as follows:

- "34. (b) No license as an owner shall be granted to the lessee or lessees of any corporation which has more than ten stockholders or members each of whom shall be the owner in his own right of stock or membership in such corporation; nor shall any such corporation have the power to lease for racing purposes to any natural person or persons or partnership any horse owned or controlled by it.
 - (c) All the stockholders or members of a corporation eligible to lease horses for racing purposes and any such eligible corporation shall make and file with the Commission as and when requested by it, a report or reports containing such information as the Commission may specify; and upon refusal or failure to file such report or reports the Commission may refuse a license to any lessee or lessees of such corporation or may revoke any such license which it may have granted."

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the following Rules were amended.

Rule 148. (c) now reading as follows:

"The order of proof in hearings shall be:

- 1. Evidence of the violations alleged.
- 2. Cross examination of Commission's witnesses.
- 3. Evidence by the person charged in defense or explanation.
- 4. Cross examination of the person charged and his witnesses.
- 5. Such rebuttal or other evidence on behalf of the Commission or any party in interest as may be regarded as pertinent by the Chairman.

Motions may be made at any time during a hearing by Counsel to the Commission or by the person charged or his counsel, but will not be deemed necessary to protect the rights of the person charged.

A reasonable time after the close of the hearing may be allowed by the Commission for the filing of briefs or memoranda by or on behalf of the person charged and any other person or persons interested; and in such case five (5) copies of any such brief or memorandum must be filed with the Commission."

is hereby amended to read as follows:

- "148. (c) Unless varied by the Commission the order of proof in hearings shall be:
 - 1. Evidence of the violations alleged.
 - 2. Cross examination of Commission's witnesses.
 - 3. Evidence by the person charged in defense or explanation.
 - 4. Cross examination of the person charged and his witnesses.
 - 5. Such rebuttal or other evidence on behalf of the Commission or any party in interest as may be regarded as pertinent by the Chairman.

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A reasonable time after the close of the hearing may be allowed by the Commission for the filing of briefs or memoranda by or on behalf of the person charged and any other person or persons interested; and in such case five (5) copies of any such brief or memorandum must be filed with the Commission."

Rule 212. (b) now reading as follows:

"No horse shall be allowed to enter or start unless a Jockey Club Registration Certificate is on file in the office of the Racing Secretary; except that the Stewards may, in their discretion, for good cause, waive this requirement if the horse is otherwise properly identified."

is hereby amended to read as follows:

"212. (b) No horse shall be allowed to enter or start unless a Jockey Club registration certificate or racing permit is on file in the office of the Racing Secretary; except that the Stewards may, in their discretion, for good cause, waive this requirement if the horse is otherwise properly identified."

Rule 221 now reading as follows:

"Entries to all races, excepting those which are opened and decided during the meeting, must be published in the Racing Calendar or in such other publication as the Commission may designate."

is hereby amended to read as follows:

"221. Entries to all races, excepting those which are opened and decided during the meeting, shall be posted on the bulletin boards at the track where meeting is being held."

Rule 268. (a) now reading as follows:

"In estimating the value of a race to the winner there shall be deducted the amount of the winner's stake and of money or other prizes payable to other horses or to any person out of the stakes or out of the added value. Entrance money to races and entrance money going to the Association shall also be deducted; provided, however, that the winnings of a horse in a stakes race shall be computed on the value of the gross earnings on and after January 1, 1961."

is hereby repealed and in place thereof the following Rule is enacted:

"268. (a) In estimating the value of a race to the winner, there shall be deducted only the amount of money payable to the owners of the other horses and to other persons out of the stakes and out of the added money."

The second paragraph of Rule 312. (a) now reading as follows:

"Provided, however, that the Racing Secretary, at any time and in his entire discretion, may write a special claiming race restricted to two-year-old horses that have either been bred by their then owner or purchased by him prior to their two-year-old year, in which any horse in that race may be claimed by an owner having a starter in the race."

is hereby repealed and in place thereof the following Rule is enacted:

"Where the owner is a partnership, all members of the partner-ship shall be bound by this rule."

Rule 313 now reading as follows:

"All claims shall be in writing, sealed and deposited in a locked box provided for this purpose by the Clerk of the Course, at least fifteen minutes before post time. No money shall accompany the claim. Each person desiring to make a claim, unless he shall have such amount to his credit with the Association,

must first deposit with the Association the whole amount of the claim in cash, for which a receipt will be given. All claims shall be passed upon by the Stewards, and the person determined at the closing time for claiming to have the right of claim shall become the owner of the horse whether it be alive or dead, sound or unsound, or injured before or during the race, or after it. If more than one person should enter a claim for the same horse, the disposition of the horse shall be decided by lot by the Stewards. An owner shall not be informed that a claim has been made until after the race has been run, and any horse so claimed shall then be taken to the paddock for delivery to the claimant."

is hereby amended to read as follows:

"313. All claims shall be in writing, sealed and deposited in a locked box provided for this purpose by the Clerk of the Course, at least fifteen minutes before post time. No money shall accompany the claim. Each person desiring to make a claim, unless he shall have such amount to his credit with the Association, must first deposit with the Association the whole amount of the claim in cash, for which a receipt will be given. All claims shall be passed upon by the Stewards, and the person determined at the closing time for claiming to have the right of claim shall become the owner of the horse when the start is effected, whether it be alive or dead, sound or unsound, or injured before or during the race, or after it. If more than one person should enter a claim for the same horse, the disposition of the horse shall be decided by lot by the Stewards. An owner shall not be informed that a claim has been made until after the race has been run, and any horse so claimed shall then be taken to the paddock for delivery to the claimant."

The Commission Steward recommended repeal of Rules 314. (b) and 314. (c) now reading as follows:

- "(b) No authorized agent, although representing more than one owner, shall submit more than one claim in any one race.
- (c) When a stable consists of horses owned by more than one person, trained by the same trainer, not more than one claim may be entered on behalf of such stable in any one race."

However, after discussion it was determined to retain these two Rules, at least for the present.

The Chairman stated that the Commission had received from The Jockey Club suggestions to change a number of the Commission Rules having to do with partnerships and assumed names. As these Rules are principally the concern of The Jockey Club, the Commission thought it proper to amend its Rules to accord with those of The Jockey Club in these respects.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, Rule 222. (a) now reading as

"A horse of a partnership cannot be entered or run in the name of an individual partner unless that individual's interest is equal at least to the interest or property in that horse of any other person."

is hereby amended to read as follows:

"222. (a) A horse of a partnership cannot be entered or run in the name, whether real or assumed, of an individual partner unless that individual's interest or property in the racing qualities of that horse is equal to at least twenty-five per cent."

Rule 222. (b) now reading as follows:

"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."

is hereby amended to read as follows:

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

A new Rule, 222. (d), is hereby enacted to read as follows:

"222. (d) For the purposes of paragraph (b) of this Rule 222, a horse shall be deemed "owned wholly or in part" by a particular person or "owned" by a particular person if that person holds the entire property interest in the horse or if, by lease or ownership, he controls the racing qualities of the horse or if he holds a proportionate interest of twenty-five per cent or more in a partnership which either holds the property interest in the horse or, by lease or ownership, controls the racing qualities of the horse."

Rule 223 now reading as follows:

"No individual can have any interest in any horses for racing purposes, except horses run in one only of the following names: his real name, or his assumed name, or the assumed name of one partnership of which he is a member, or the name of the individual in which are run in accordance with Rule 248 the horses of one partnership of which he is a member; provided, however, that the foregoing provisions of this Rule shall not apply if the horses are in the hands of the same trainer, in which case they must run as an entry. The name in which any horse is run must be the real or the assumed name of the individual owner, or the name of the

partnership owner (being its assumed name or the name of the individual in whose name the horse is run) of the entire interest in the horse. No licensed trainer shall have any ownership interest in a horse of which he is not the trainer."

is hereby amended to read as follows:

- "223. (a) No licensed trainer shall have any interest either by ownership of the horse or by lease of its racing qualities, in a horse of which he is not the trainer.
- (b) The name in which any horse is run must be the real or the assumed name of the individual owner, or the name of the partnership owner (being its assumed name or the name of the individual in whose name the horse is run) of the entire interest in the horse."

Rule 247 now reading as follows:

"All partnerships, and the name and address of every individual having any interest in a horse, the relative proportions of such interest, and the terms of any sale with contingencies, of any lease or of any arrangement, must be signed by all the parties or by their authorized agents and be lodged at the office of The Jockey Glub or with the Clerk of the Course for transmission to that office, before any horse which is a joint property or which is sold with contingencies or is leased can start in any race, and all the partners and each of them shall be jointly and severally liable for all stakes and obligations. No statement of partnership or assignment of interest will be accepted unless the proportionate interest of each partner is at least 25%."

is hereby repealed and new Rule 247 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

- "247. (a) A horse may be owned by an individual or by a partnership of any number of persons, but no horse shall be entered and run by an owning partnership if it contains more than four members or if the proportionate interest of any member is less than twenty-five per cent.
 - (b) A horse owned by a partnership in which the number of members or proportionate interest of any member does not meet the requirements of paragraph (a) of this Rule 247 may be entered and run only by a lessee of its racing qualities, which lessee shall be an individual or a partnership in which the number of members and the proportionate interest of every member meets the requirements of paragraph (a) of this Rule 247. In such a case, the lessee may be a member of or may include one or more members of the owning partnership.
 - (c) All partnerships having any property, ownership or racing interest in a horse, and the name and address of every individual having any such interest in a horse, the relative proportions of such interest, and the terms of any sale with contingencies, of any lease or of any arrangement, must be signed by all the parties or

by their authorized agents and be lodged annually at the office of The Jockey Club or with the Clerk of the Course for transmission to that office, and must be approved by The Jockey Club and a fee of \$1.00 per horse be paid, before any horse which is a joint property or which is sold with contingencies or is leased can start in any race.

- (d) In the case of a partnership which, by ownership or lease, controls the racing qualities of a horse, all of the partners and each of them shall be jointly and severally liable for all stakes and obligations.
- (e) No statement of partnership which proposes, by ownership or lease, to control the racing qualities of any horse will be accepted unless the proportionate interest of each such partner is at least twenty-five per cent."

Rule 248 now reading as follows:

"All statements of partnerships, of sales with contingencies, of leases, or of arrangements, shall declare to whom winnings are payable (which must be the name of the nominator), in whose name the horse will rum, and with whom rests the power of entry or of declaration of forfeit; and this information shall be published in the Racing Calendar or in such other publication as the Commission may designate."

is hereby amended to read as follows:

- "248. (a) All statements of partnerships, of sales with contingencies, of leases, or of arrangements, shall declare to whom winnings are payable (which must be the name of the nominator), in whose name the horse will rum, and with whom rests the power of entry or of declaration of forfeit; and this information shall be published in the Racing Calendar.
 - (b) The Jockey Club shall have the right to disapprove any partnership, sale with contingencies, lease, or other arrangement required to be lodged with and approved by it when, in the opinion of The Jockey Club, the effect of the partnership, sale, lease, or other arrangement would be to deceive or improperly mislead the public as to the identity of the persons holding an interest in a horse."

Rule 250 now reading as follows:

"No part owner of a horse shall assign his share or any part of it without the written consent of the other partners, lodged as provided by Rule 247."

is hereby amended to read as follows:

"250. No member of a partnership which owns a horse or leases the racing qualities of a horse shall assign his share or any part of or interest in it without the written consent of the other partners lodged and approved as provided by paragraph (c) of Rule 247. No assignment of an interest in a partnership, which, by ownership or lease, controls the racing qualities of a horse will be accepted if the effect of the assignment would be to create a partnership which would not be accepted under the terms of paragraph (c) of Rule 247."

Rule 251 now reading as follows:

"A person wishing to race under an assumed name may do so by registering annually, and such a registration is effective only during the calendar year. All such names are subject to the approval or disapproval of The Jockey Club."

is hereby amended to read as follows:

"251. An individual may adopt an assumed name under which to race horses by registering it annually with The Jockey Club and paying an annual registration fee of one hundred dollars. Such a registration shall be effective only during the calendar year for which it is made, and all such names shall be subject to the approval or disapproval of The Jockey Club."

Rule 252 now reading as follows:

"An individual cannot have more than one assumed name at the same time, nor can he use his real name so long as he has a registered assumed one. A partnership can have only one assumed name at the same time, and so long as it has a registered assumed name, it cannot run any horse except under that name. If the horses of a partnership are to be run in the name of a member of the partnership in accordance with Rule 248, such name need not be registered as an assumed name, but all horses of the partnership must be run under such name."

is hereby amended to read as follows:

- "252. (a) An individual cannot have registered more than one assumed name at the same time and, so long as such individual has an assumed name registered, he shall not use or permit the use of his real name to identify his ownership interest in the racing qualities of any horse.
 - (b) A partnership which, by ownership or lease, controls the racing qualities of a horse shall race such horse under the name, real or assumed, of a member of the partnership whose proportionate interest in the horse meets the requirements of paragraph (a) of Rule 222. All horses the racing qualities of which are controlled by a given partnership shall be raced under the same name."

Rule 254 now reading as follows:

"An individual or a partnership cannot register as an assumed name one which has been already registered, or one which is the real name of any owner of race horses."

is hereby amended to read as follows:

*254. An individual cannot register as an assumed name one which has been already registered, or one which is the name of a race horse, or one which is the real name of an owner of race horses."

Rule 255 now reading as follows:

"Any individual who or partnership which has registered an assumed name may at any time abandon it by giving written notice at the office of The Jockey Club; after which all entries which have been made in the assumed name shall be altered as may be approved by The Jockey Club."

is hereby amended to read as follows:

"255. Any individual who has registered an assumed name may at any time abandon it by giving written notice at the office of The Jockey Club; and notice of such abandonment shall be published in the Racing Calendar, after which all entries which have been made in such assumed name shall be altered as may be approved by The Jockey Club."

Rule 256 now reading as follows:

"No trainer of race horses shall register an assumed name."

is hereby amended to read as follows:

"256. No licensed trainer of race horses shall register an assumed name; but a partnership of which such a trainer is a member may use the assumed name of another member, provided that the use of such other member's assumed name is authorized by these Rules."

Rule 257 now reading as follows:

"The real name of a person with an assumed name shall not be disclosed."

is hereby repealed.

Upon motion duly made and seconded the Commission approved the action of the Chairman in reallocating racing dates to Belmont Park, instead of Aqueduct, to open at Belmont Park August 28 and rum through October 3, and then to open at Aqueduct on October 4 and to rum through November 30.

The Commission adopted a resolution authorizing the Chairman to convey to Mr. John W. Hanes, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of The New York Racing Association Inc., its best wishes for a speedy recovery.

On the recommendation of the Steward the Commission approved the action of the Chairman in extending the apprentice allowance of Jockey Louis Margolin because of injuries received by him, for a total of 64 calendar days.

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

Other matters of interest to the Commission were discussed.

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 Wednesday, October 25, 1961, at 8:30 o'clock in the forenoon, in the Stateowned Buick car, License No. 1000, enroute in the Borough of Queens to Municipal (LaGuardia) Airport.

PRESENT:

Ashley T. Cole, Chairman Edmond M. Hanrahan, Commissioner Joseph A. Gimma, Commissioner

Upon motion duly made and seconded, Rules 34. (b) and 34. (c) now reading as follows:-

- 134. (b) No license as an owner shall be granted to the lessee or lessees of any corporation which has more than ten stockholders or members each of whom shall be the owner in his own right of stock or membership in such corporation; nor shall any such corporation have the power to lease for racing purposes to any natural person or persons or partnership any horse owned or controlled by it.
 - (c) All the stockholders or members of a corporation eligible to lease horses for racing purposes and any such eligible corporation shall make and file with the Commission as and when requested by it, a report or reports containing such information as the Commission may specify; and upon refusal or failure to file such report or reports the Commission may refuse a license to any lessee or lessees of such corporation or may revoke any such license which it may have granted."

were duly amended to read as follows:

- "34. (b) No license as an owner shall be granted to the lessee or lessees of any corporation unless such corporation shall have no more than ten stockholders or members each of whom shall be the registered and beneficial owner of stock or membership in such corporation; nor shall any such corporation having more than ten such stockholders have the power to lease for racing purposes to any natural person or persons or partnership any horse owned or controlled by it.
 - (c) All the stockholders or members of a corporation which lease horses for racing purposes in the State of New York and also all such corporations shall make and file with the Commission as and when requested by it, a report or reports containing such information as the Commission may specify; and upon refusal or failure to file such report or reports the Commission may refuse a license to any lessee or lessees of such corporation or may revoke any such license which it may have granted."

The Commissioners proceeded by United Airlines to Finger Lakes Park in the Town of Farmington, Ontario County, New York, via Rochester, as the guests of Mr. Cyrus S. Jullien, President of the Finger Lakes Racing Association, Inc., and made a detailed and careful inspection of the premises, including grandstand and clubhouse and the stables, bunkhouses and cafeteria on the backstretch.

The Commissioners also visited the temporary offices of Finger Lakes Racing Association in the Blazey Farmhouse, where they were interrogated by reporters of the local newspapers.

The Commissioners left for Rochester on the 9:15 A.M. flight and returned on flight scheduled to leave Rochester at 4:45 P.M., which did not leave until 4:55 P.M., arriving in New York at about 6:45 P.M.

Chairman.

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 Thursday, November 9, 1961, at 10:00 oclock in the forenoon.

PRESENT:

Ashley T. Cole, Chairman Edmond M. Hanrahan, Commissioner Joseph A. Gimma, Commissioner

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

The Chairman recommended that Rule 25 now reading as follows:

"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."

is hereby amended to read as follows:

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

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the amendment was made.

The Chairman presented a group of photographs of horses in action, and the Commissioners selected one to be reproduced on the cover of the temporary issue of the Annual Report which precedes the issue in printed form.

The Chairman reported with respect to information which had come to the Commission concerning the prevalence of screw worm in Georgia and Alabama and of the steps that he had taken to advise the horsemen stabling in New York with respect thereto.

The Commission considered the matter of Irving B. Globerman, an applicant for an owner's license, and agreed that he should be permitted to withdraw his application therefor.

The relations of the Commission to the Department of State as a Division of that Department were discussed and considered at length.

The Commission also considered the present condition of the racing strip at Finger Lakes Park and, in view of Mr. Luke H. O'Brien's letter to the Chairman dated November 2, decided to take no further action with respect to expediting the work on that strip at the present time.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Commission, on the application of Mr. Francis P. Dunne, Steward of the Commission, approved his serving as a Steward at the Fair Grounds in New Orleans from Friday, December 1, 1961 to Saturday, March 10, 1962.

The Commission was informed by the Chairman with respect to the following:

- 1. That the State Racing Commission of Maryland had adopted the apprentice allowance rule now in force in New York State.
- 2. That Chairman Curry of the Committee on Uniform Rules and Procedure agreed with the suggestion of Chairman Cole to recommend to the Committee a rule similar to Rule 354 (a) of the New York State Racing Commission.
- 3. That Chairman Curry has also agreed to recommend to the Committee rules similar to Rules 34 (b) and 34 (c) of the New York State Racing Commission with respect to the control of corporations operating racing stables.

Secretary Millar reported to the Commission respecting information received by him from the Department of State relative to complaints made to that Department by a groom formerly employed on the backstretch at the New York tracks. It was agreed that upon the completion of an investigation by Mr. Millar and Mr. Dunne, the Chairman would communicate with the Secretary of State respecting the matter.

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

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

Secretary)

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the State Racing Commission held in the Trustees' Room at Aqueduct Race Course, November 18, 1961, at 1:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

The meeting was called without notice, all Commissioners being present.

The Chairman presented a letter to him from Mr. Edward T. Dickinson, President of The New York Racing Association Inc., requesting the Commission's approval of racing dates for 1962.

Upon motion of Commissioner Hanrahan, seconded by Commissioner Gimma, the following schedule of racing dates for 1962, as applied for by The New York Racing Association Inc., was approved:

Aqueduct Tuesday, March 20 through Thursday, May 31	63 days
Belmont Park Friday, June 1 through Saturday, June 30	26 days
Aqueduct Monday, July 2 through Saturday, July 28	24 days
Saratoga Monday, July 30 through Saturday, August 25	24 days
Aqueduct Monday, August 27 through Saturday, September 29	
Belmont Park Monday, October 1 through Saturday, October 27	•
Aqueduct	24 days
Monday, October 29 through Friday, November 30	29 days
TOTAL	220 days

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned.

Chairman.

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 Thursday, December 14, 1961, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon.

PRESENT:

Ashley T. Cole, Chairman Edmond M. Hanrahan, Commissioner

Also present was Harry J. Millar, Secretary.

On motion of the Chairman, the Commission duly approved a form of letter to be signed by all the Commissioners and addressed to various members of the Legislature and of the State Government, approving proposed legislation granting to Finger Lakes Racing Association a graduated scale of "take" from the pari-mutuel pools as in the bills introduced into the 1960 Legislature.

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commission approved proposed amendments to the rules of National Steeplechase and Hunt Association, Inc., as set forth in letter to the Chairman by John E. Cooper, Executive Secretary, dated November 16, 1961.

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commission approved the appointment by the Chairman of Raymond J. Snyder to the position of Supervising Racing Inspector.

The Commission considered certain matters with respect to Finger Lakes Racing Association, the completion of its plant, dates for its 1962 season, etc.

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

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

Secretary.

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the State Racing Commission held without notice, all Commissioners being present, at the office of the Commission, 745 Fifth Avenue, New York City, on Thursday, December 28, 1961, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon.

On motion of the Chairman, duly seconded, the following statement was duly adopted as expressing the sentiment of the Commission with respect to the resignation of Mr. John W. Hanes as Chairman of the Board of Trustees of The New York Racing Association Inc.:

When, for reasons of health, John Wesley Hanes retired as Chairman of the Board of Trustees of The New York Racing Association Inc., he had put the capstone on the structure of thoroughbred racing in New York which will stand for many years as the most notable contribution of anyone to the well-being and future of that great sport. A truly dedicated man, he gave unsparingly of his proven capacity for organization and direction to the affairs of The New York Racing Association Inc., to the enduring advantage of thoroughbred racing, not only in New York, but wherever notable accomplishments in the field are recognized.

The State Racing Commission, which has had the privilege of working with Mr. Hanes in the rehabilitation of New York's racing plants under the non-profit arrangement which has been widely known as The Jockey Club Plan, tenders to John Wesley Hanes its sincere thanks for his untiring and notably successful efforts in behalf of thoroughbred racing and its cordial good wishes for the early recovery of his usually abundant good health.

The Chairman was authorized to transmit a copy of the statement to Mr. Hanes.

The meeting adjourned.

Chairman.