

OKLAHOMA HORSE RACING COMMISSION
REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING
THURSDAY, JANUARY 18, 2024, AT 9:30 A.M.

MINUTES

Call to Order

Chairman Keith called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m.

Roll Call

Commissioners answering roll call were, Commissioner Murray, Commissioner Brookover, Commissioner Craig, Commissioner Carter, Secretary Anderson, Vice Chairman Pilcher, and Chairman Sanders. Commissioner(s) absent were Commissioner Burget and Commissioner Gilbert.

A. MINUTES

The Minutes from the **November 16, 2023**, meeting were considered.

Vice Chairman Pilcher moved, and Commissioner Carter seconded to approve the minutes from the November 16, 2023 meeting. The vote was as follows:

Motion passed 7-0-0

THE FOLLOWING MATTERS ARE PRESENTED FOR CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, DEEMED APPROPRIATE BY THE COMMISSION.

B. WILL ROGERS DOWNS REQUEST TO AMEND CY 2024 LIVE RACEDAYS FOR THE THOROUGHBRED RACE MEET

Background

Mr. John Lies, Racing Secretary at Will Rogers Downs, requests Commission approval to modify the dates of the Will Rogers Downs CY 2024 Thoroughbred Race Meet.

Vice Chairman Pilcher moved to approve the request to amend the race meet days. Commissioner Carter seconded the motion. The vote was as follows.

Motion passed: 7-0-0

C. CONTINUED DELIBERATIONS FOR FELIPE MARTINEZ-MORALES (OWNER/TRAINER), REGARDING THE APPEAL OF STEWARDS ORDER 20-RP-038A, 20-RP-038B, AND 20-RP-038C

Background

Chairman Sanders announced consideration of Item C, after which, Vice Chairman Pilcher moved to go into Executive Session with Commission Legal Advisor, Ms. Batt, and Executive Director, Dr. John Chancey. The motion was immediately amended to exclude the Executive Director.

Commissioner Brookover seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

Motion passed 7-0-0

The Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission entered Executive Session at 9:38 am. without the participation of Commissioner Carter.

Secretary Anderson moved to reconvene in Open Session. Commissioner Brookover seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

Motion passed 7-0-0

The Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission returned to Open Session at 9:45 am.

Vice Chairman Pilcher moved to affirm Final Order 2024-OHRC-001. Secretary Anderson seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

Motion passed 6-0-1

D. CONTINUED DELIBERATIONS FOR ETNIEL SANABRIA (OWNER/TRAINER), REGARDING THE APPEAL OF STEWARDS ORDER 22-RP-099B.

Background

Chairman Sanders announced consideration of Item D, after which, Vice Chairman Pilcher moved to go into Executive Session with Commission

Legal Advisor, Ms. Batt and without Executive Director Dr. John Chancey. Commissioner Carter seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

Motion passed 7-0-0

The Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission entered Executive Session at 9:50 am.

Secretary Anderson moved to reconvene Open Session. Commissioner Brookover seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

Motion passed 7-0-0

The Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission returned to Open Session at 10:01 am.

Commissioner Brookover moved to affirm final order 2024-OHRC-002. Commissioner Murray seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

Motion passed 7-0-0

E. POSSIBLE ACTION ON PROPOSED RULE AMENDMENTS TO CERTAIN CHAPTERS IN RULES OF RACING AND RULES OF RACETRACK GAMING UNDER PERMANENT RULEMAKING

Background

Chairman Sanders announced consideration of Item E, after which, Executive Director Dr. John Chancey and General Counsel Richard Herren presented to the Commission. Dr. Chancey stated that no one attended the public hearing and no public comments were received.

Vice Chairman Pilcher moved to adopt the rules as submitted. Commissioner Carter seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

Motion passed 7-0-0

F. DIRECTIVE REGARDING A CHANGE TO THE STEWARDS TO DETERMINE INTERFERENCE AND PLACEMENT RULE AT 325:60-1-20 (2024-D-1)

Background

Chairman Sanders announced consideration of Item F, after which, Executive Director Dr. John Chancey spoke to the Commission about the need for a

directive regarding interference and placement prior to the 2024 quarter horse meet. Dr Chancey recommended adoption of a directive consist with the Commissions proposed changes to OAC 325:60-1-20.

Commissioner Carter moved to approve a directive consistent with the proposed rule changes regarding rule 60-1-20 concerning interference and placement. Secretary Anderson seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

Motion passed 7-0-0

G. DIRECTIVE REGARDING A CHANGE TO THE LISTED THRESHOLDS OF THOURGHBREDS RULE AT 325:45-1-6.1 (2024-D-2)

And

H. DIRECTIVE REGARDING A CHANGE TO THE LISTED THRESHOLDS OF QUARTER HORSES, PAINTS, AND APPALOOSAS RULE AT 325:45-1-6.2 (2024-D-3)

Background

Chairman Sanders announced Item G and Item H would be considered together, after which, Executive Director Dr. John Chancey spoke to the Commission about the need for directive regarding changes made to OAC:325:45-1-6.1 and 6.2 for the health, safety and welfare of the horse, jockeys, and integrity of the sport. Dr Chancey recommended adoption of a directive consist with the Commissions proposed changes to OAC:45-1-6.1 and 6.2 regarding medications.

Commissioner Carter moved to approve a directive consistent with the proposed rule changes regarding rule 45-1-6.1 and 6.2 concerning medications. Secretary Anderson seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

Motion passed 7-0-1

I. DIRECTIVE REGARDING A CHANGE TO THE PROHIBITED PRACTICES RULE AT 325:45-1-27 (2024-D-4)

Background

Chairman Sanders announced consideration of Item I, after which, Executive Director Dr. John Chancey spoke to the Commission about the need for a

directive to prohibit certain practices as proposed in OAC 325:45-1-27.

Vice Chairman Pilcher had some questions and concerns regarding this directive as submitted and moved to continue this matter to the next meeting. Commissioner Carter seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

Motion passed 7-0-0

**J. DIRECTIVE REGARDING A CHANGE TO THE HORSES
INELIGIBLE TO START IN A RACE RULE AT 325:25-1-10
(2024-D-5)**

Background

Chairman Sanders announced consideration of Item J, after which, Executive Director Dr. John Chancey spoke to the Commission about the need for a directive regarding horses that have not raced in twelve months and are older than four years and have never started a race. Dr. Chancey recommended adoption of a directive consistent with the Commissions proposed changes to OAC 325:25-1-10.

Vice Chairman Pilcher moved to approve the directive consistent with the proposed rule changes regarding rule 25-1-10 concerning horse ineligible to start due to inactive or age. Commissioner Craig seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

Motion passed 7-0-0

**K. ANY MATTER NOT KNOWN ABOUT OR WOULD NOT HAVE
BEEN REASONABLY FORSEEN PRIOR TO POSTING THE
AGENDS 25O.S. § 311 (A)(10)**

Executive Director Dr. John Chancey introduced the new Director of Law Enforcement, Brady Robison.

L. ANNOUNCEMENTS

02/01/2024- Agenda Topic Submission Deadline for February 15, 2024 Meeting

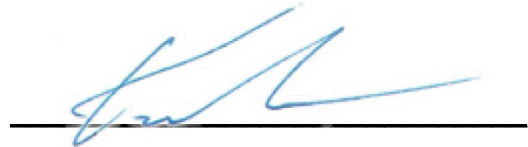
02/15/2024- Regularly Scheduled Commission Meeting

02/19/2024- Presidents' Holiday

M. ADJOURNMENT..... Chairman Sanders

Chairman Sanders adjourned the meeting at 10:31 a.m.

Approved this 15th day of February 2024.



Chairman Keith Sanders

On the behalf of the Commission:

ATTEST:



Dr. John Chancey, Executive Director & Director of Equine Welfare

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In conformity with the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act, advance notice of this regular Commission meeting was originally transmitted to the Oklahoma Secretary of State on September 22, 2023; and public notice of this meeting, together with the agenda was posted in prominent view in the lobby of the Department of Agriculture, Food and Forestry, Oklahoma City on January 11, 2024. The announcement of the CY 2024 Commission meetings was posted on the OHRC website on September 7, 2023. The agenda for this meeting was posted on the OHRC Website, www.ohrc.ok.gov, on January 11, 2024.