

# **Virginia Racing Commission**

## **MINUTES**

### **OF THE**

#### **COMMISSION MEETING**

**August 17, 2017**

**State Corporation Commission**

**Tyler Building**

**Courtroom B**

**1300 East Main Street**

**Richmond, VA 23219**

#### In Attendance

##### Commission Members:

D.G. Van Clief, Jr., Chairman

I. Clinton Miller

Charles Steger, PhD

J. Sargeant Reynolds, Jr.

##### Commission Staff:

David S. Lermond, Jr., Executive Secretary

Kimberly C. Mackey, Office Administrator

Rhonda F. Davis, Pari-Mutuel and Licensing Coordinator

##### Attorney General's Office:

J. Duncan Pitchford, Esquire

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At 10:00 a.m., the regular monthly meeting of the Virginia Racing Commission (VRC) was called to order by Chairman Van Clief. Commissioner Siegel was absent due to a business scheduling conflict.

Commissioner Steger moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on July 6, 2017. Seconded by Commissioner Miller. All were in favor. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Van Clief moved to approve the Limited License submitted by the Shenandoah County Agricultural Foundation for Racing at Shenandoah Downs based on the recommendations included in the staff report. Seconded by Commissioner Reynolds. All were in favor. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Reynolds moved to approve the agreement between Shenandoah County Agricultural Foundation, VEA, and VHHA. Seconded by Commissioner Miller. All were in favor. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Steger moved to approve the racing officials for Shenandoah Downs. Seconded by Chairman VanClief. All were in favor. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Steger moved to approve the request for Amendment to 11VAC10-150-190 (Qualifying Races). Seconded by Commissioner Miller. All were in favor. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Van Clief informed the Commission that formal ownership of the Strategic Planning Committee has been transferred to the VEA.

Chairman Van Clief also informed the Commission that Carol Dawson will continue to serve on the Racing Safety and Medication Committee.

During the report from the Virginia Equine Alliance (VEA), Jeb Hannum gave an overview of various issues, including OTB development and racing at Shenandoah Downs.

With no further business set forth on the agenda, the meeting was adjourned at 10:39 a.m.