



Delaware Thoroughbred Racing Commission Minutes of March 27, 2007

The Delaware thoroughbred Racing Commission held a meeting on March 27, 2007, at 10:00 AM, in the second floor conference room of the Horseman's Office at Delaware Park, 777 Delaware Park Boulevard, Wilmington, Delaware 19804.

The following Commission members were present:

Bernard J. Daney, Chairman
W. Duncan Patterson, Jr., Secretary/Commissioner
Edward J. Stegemeier, Commissioner

The following Commission members were excused:

H. James Decker, Commissioner
Debbie Killeen, Commissioner

The following individuals also were present:

Kimberly A. Wilson, Esq., Deputy Attorney General, Commission Counsel
John F. Wayne, DTRC, Executive Director
Francis J. Swift, DTRC, Inspector
Shelley Perkins, DTRC, Paralegal (<i>recording minutes</i>)
Randall Rolfe, Owner
Frederick Burkhardt, DTRC, Associate Steward
Greg Petkiewicz, Delaware Park, Sr. VP Racing
Joseph Rudisill, Delaware Park, Sr. VP Compliance
Joseph Strug, Dalare Associates, Laboratory Director
Ismael Trejo, Delaware Park, Racing Secretary
Bessie Gruwell, DTHA, Executive Director
Robert Colton, Delaware Jockeys Association, President
John Unick, MOC Insurance
Sara Przemielewski, MOC Insurance
Dean Kisielewski, Paddock Blacksmith
Luis F. Diaz, Jockey
Jack Ireland, The News Journal
Michael J. McCarthy, Trainer, DTHA
Travis Kinnamon, Assistant Trainer

1. **WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER**
Chairman Daney called the meeting to order at 10:10 AM and welcomed those in attendance.
2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
Upon a motion duly made (Patterson) and seconded (Stegemeier) minutes of February 27, 2007, were approved as submitted.
3. **OLD BUSINESS**
 - A. **Rule Changes**
Changes made to Rule 6, Rule 11, and Rule 15, are effective April 10, 2007. Executive Director, John F. Wayne, will issue a press release.
4. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - A. **Approval of Racing Personnel**
Upon a motion duly made (Stegemeier) and seconded (Patterson) Racing Department personnel are approved as submitted (see attached).
5. **REPORT FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**
 - A. **Transfer of horses**
Commitment from Mid Atlantic region to enforce the interpretation of rule 7.5 in reference to the legitimate transfer of horses. In addition, the DTRC will require the owners and trainers to sign sworn statements to the DTRC stating they will not have any contact with the suspended licensee. If there is a violation of the sworn statement, the Stewards then can issue a ruling against them for an integrity violation.
Commissioner Patterson / Chairman Daney questions: What was the consensus on the 15 days? Horses will not be able to run unless properly transferred to another trainer acceptable to the Stewards.
 - B. **Return to work**
Stewards return 04/02/2007 – Mr. Lima is back on 04/27/2007 (his salary is adjusted)
Veterinarians return 04/09/2007.
 - C. **Summary of Activities**
Report submitted.
6. **REPORT FROM COMMISSION VETERINARIAN**
Dr. John Peters was not available for this meeting. His regrets were expressed to the Commission.
7. **REPORT FROM DELAWARE THOROUGHBRED HORSEMEN'S ASSOCIATION**
Executive Director, Bessie Gruwell:
 - A. **Visa Program**
Mr. Pete Lizarzaburu has accepted a position as Client Services Manager with International Personnel Resources, and is heading the H2-B Visa applicant program for DTHA.
 - B. **Delaware Certified Thoroughbred Program (DCTP)**
Continuing to grow with over 1,000 horses in the program. Record number of enrolled farms for the 1st quarter of 2007. All farms are inspected, although it's up to the owner of the horse if they stable their horses at farms considered below standard. Second annual DCTP awards banquet will be held Friday, April 27, 2007, at the White Clay Country Club on the grounds of Delaware Park.

7. **REPORT FROM DELAWARE THOROUGHBRED HORSEMEN'S ASSOCIATION**
Executive Director, Bessie Gruwell: (Continued)

C. **MOC Insurance**

Mr. John Unick and Ms. Sara Przemielewski were present from MOC Insurance Services, San Francisco, CA. MOC is working with the DTHA and Delaware Park to provide worker's compensation reform for trainers. Delaware Park has agreed to fund \$1.3 million out of the purse fund to serve as collateral to get the partially self-insured plan started. Rates are predicted to go down 15-20% first year, as long as trainers report the correct payroll.

- D. Bessie Gruwell asked about the Flu and Rhinopneumonitis and that she had heard the Delaware Standardbred Owner's Association was suing the Department of Agriculture in reference to DDA restrictions regarding Equine Herpes Virus (EHV) and other equine medical concerns. Mr. Wayne advised that he could not comment on this since it was a pending legal matter, however, indicated that the two industries are different in that harness horses do not really have a stable area at Dover Downs and that Delaware Park does. The checking of the certificates of health and vaccination records is required prior to any horse coming onto the grounds at Delaware Park. The Commission lauded the efforts of Secretary Scuse in being proactive in protecting the interests of the horse industry in Delaware by ordering horses to have proper vaccination and health records prior to entry to the grounds. Notwithstanding, the track (Delaware Park) also imposed a house rule regarding the same restrictions

8. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

A. **Racing Medication & Testing Consortium (RMTC)**

Chairman Daney recognized Mr. Joe Strug, Laboratory Director, Dalare Labs, Inc. Mr. Strug addressed the commission stating the Racing Medication and Testing Consortium (RMTC) announced the elimination of Anabolic Steroids from racing by January 1, 2008. The RMTC will probably recommend that horsemen should begin elimination of the Anabolic Steroids by August 31, 2007 so that they have sufficient time to leave the horses' system.

There was continued discussion about what Pennsylvania was doing with the detection of "stacking" where more than one Anabolic Steroid is detected in samples. There is a Mid Atlantic Medication Group meeting scheduled in April, at which point some of these issues will be illuminated and discussed.

There was a question about what NSAIDS were permitted in Delaware to which the reply was that only Phenylbutazone or Oxyphenbutazone is permitted. Some of the other Mid Atlantic states permit levels of Flunixin (Banamine) but Delaware does not.

Commissioner Patterson asked if any reading over 2.5 would be considered a positive to which Mr. Strug replied in the affirmative. On the other hand, any level of Flunixin would be called a positive.

Mr. Stegemeier then added that there would be zero tolerance, which was confirmed during the meeting.

Mr. Strug added that "stacking" is not really an issue for Delaware since they only allow the form of Bute. Mr. Strug continued that any detection and confirmation of NSAIDS other than Bute would constitute a positive.

B. Blood Doping Agents

Chairman Daney recognized Mr. Randy Rolfe, owner. Mr. Rolfe commended Delaware for taking a lead in preventing blood doping with its new EPO-DPO rule adoption. Mr. Rolfe continued that blood doping is something that's out there and it adversely affects the horse. Mr. Rolfe added that he read the comments of Executive Director Wayne in the November, 2006 BloodHorse and that this commission should be commended for their position to protect the horses and maintain public confidence in the sport. Mr. Rolfe continued to state that they race all up and down the east coast and Delaware is their favorite spot. "It's nice to know that Delaware will keep being my favorite spot and Delaware has really taken the lead," Mr. Rolfe concluded.

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the commission entered into executive session at 10:46 AM.

At 11:05 AM the commission was returned from executive session.

10. ADJOURN

Chairman Daney adjourned the meeting at 11:05 AM.

From: Ismael Trejo
Sent: Mon 3/19/2007 2:18 PM
To: Wayne John (DDA)
Subject: employees

Racing Department Employee's

<u>Stewards'</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Start Date</u>
Janet Kulko	Admin. Assistant	09-Apr
<u>Racing Office</u>		
Gersom Rodriguez	Assistant Racing Secretary	
Carlos Barrera	Racing Official	19-Apr
David Bentley	Clerk Of Scales	19-Apr
Jennifer Brantner	Utility official/ Admin. Asst.	05-Mar
Geoffrey Brutscher	Paddock Judge	19-Apr
Roxanne Estrin	Asst. Horse ID	19-Apr
Sharon Gunther	Horse ID	09-Apr
George Horner	Clocker	14-Apr
Scott Jones	Racing Official	19-Apr
Alton Jordan	Stall Man	26-Feb
Pat Kisielewski	Stall Office Admin. Asst.	26-Mar
Dean Kisielewski	Paddock Blacksmith	28-Apr
Anton Luke	Racing Official	19-Apr
Bridget McFadden	Stakes Coordinator	09-Apr
Earl Macmillan	Racing Official	19-Apr
Peggy Naughton	Racing Bibs	26-Apr
Joe'Lyn Rigione	Racing Official	19-Apr
Douglas Ruccio	Asst. Clocker	02-Apr
Margie Stallings	Racing Official	19-Apr
<u>Jock's Room</u>		
Adrian Balmer	Valet	28-Apr
Glenn Deibler	Valet	28-Apr
Robert Fitzgerald	Valet	28-Apr
Jerry Glass	Valet	28-Apr
Leroy Hensley	Colorman	25-Apr
Marlene Hensley	Laundry Attendent	28-Apr
James Houghton	Jocks Room Custodian	25-Apr
Sean Jones	Valet	28-Apr
Lewis Reynolds	Porter	28-Apr
Russell Reynolds	Valet	28-Apr
Darci Rice	Valet	28-Apr
Danny Santos	Valet	28-Apr
Juan Serey	Valet	28-Apr
John Spivey	Valet	28-Apr
William Stinglin	Masseuse	28-Apr
Kevin Szymanski	Valet	28-Apr
Terry Warner	Valet	28-Apr
<u>Starting Gate</u>		
Martyn Cooper	Asst. Starter	02-Apr
Kenneth Damon	Asst. Starter	16-Apr
Dominick Garabaldi	Asst. Starter	16-Apr
Robert Greco	Asst. Starter	02-Apr
Tom Kelly	Asst. Starter	16-Apr
Jesse Kisielewski	Asst. Starter	02-Apr
Albert Paico	Asst. Starter	16-Apr
Joseph Octovio	Asst. Starter	16-Apr
Robert Sydnor	Headman	02-Apr
Phil Wasiluk	Asst. Starter	16-Apr

Outriders

Sandra Kaster	Outrider	09-Apr
Jose Nunez	Outrider	09-Apr
Joseph Shelton	Outrider	09-Apr
Gina Suiter	Outrider	09-Apr

Barn Personnel

Claudia Brown	Lasix Supervisor	16-Apr
Juan Carrasco	Barn Personnel	28-Apr
Marlene Hartman-Fifield	Asst. Lasix Supervisor	16-Apr
Jamie Martinez	Barn Personnel	28-Apr
Lila Munoz Vargas	Barn Personnel	28-Apr
Marcos Ornelas	Barn Personnel	28-Apr
Catlyn Spivey	Barn Personnel	28-Apr

Glenn Menarde (Starter) and Luis Negreiros (Asst.Starter) are already activated for the winter

Steve Kisielewski and Lance Parrot (Outrider supervisor and Asst.outrider supervisor) are already activated for the winter.