

Virginia Racing Commission

MINUTES

OF THE

COMMISSION MEETING

October 15, 2008

9:30 a.m.

**HORSEMEN'S BUILDING
COLONIAL DOWNS
10700 HORSEMEN'S ROAD
NEW KENT, VA**

In Attendance

Commission Members:

Peter C. Burnett, Chairman
Mark Brown, Vice Chairman
William H. (Trip) Ferguson
I. Clinton Miller
David C. Reynolds

Commission Staff:

Victor I. Harrison, Executive Secretary
David S. Lermond, Jr., Deputy Executive Secretary
Kimberly M. Carter, Office Administrator
Joseph M. Roney, Director of Operations & Enforcement

Attorney General's Office:

Amy K. Dilworth

At 9:30 a.m., Chairman Burnett called the regular monthly meeting of the Commission to order.

The minutes of the September 17, 2008 meeting were approved.

During Commissioners Comments, Vice Chairman Brown expressed congrats to Iain Woolnough and his crew for last Saturday nights race. A horse from up north called _____ came down and made the fastest trotting mile in history. Colonial Down received a lot of publicity.

Iain Woolnough commented that, "We are really proud of that."

Vic Harrison commented that the races put together by the Racing Secretary thus far more horses have crossed the finish line during this meet than any other.

Commissioner Reynolds, Chairman of the Marketing and Promotion Committee, introduced Julie McCracken of CRT/tanaka who provided an update on the marketing activities to date.

Chairman Burnett commented that fifty copies of the Educational piece, "Project Hoofbeat" teaching booklets.

Acting on the recommendation from Mr. Harrison, the Commission approved Colonial Downs' November simulcast schedule including the additions of: the Fair Grounds, Sam Houston, Turfway Park, Dover Downs, The Meadowlands and possibly Rosecroft.

Dawn Martin with the Auditor of Public Accounts gave a brief review of the findings for the year end July 30, 2008. During the audit, it was determined that there weren't any instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported.

Colonial Downs' representatives, President Ian Stewart and Iain Woolnough, General Manager of Colonial Downs, gave an update on the harness meet.

There was a discussion on the Advanced Deposit Account Wagering. Glen Petty expressed .

The next meeting was set for Wednesday, November 19, 2008.

There being no further business, the monthly meeting was adjourned at 11:11 a.m.