

Virginia Racing Commission

MINUTES

OF THE

COMMISSION MEETING

January 21, 2014

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

In Attendance

Commission Members:

J. Sargeant Reynolds, Jr., Chairman
D.G. Van Clief, Jr., Vice Chairman
Carol G. Dawson
Stran Trout
Philip O'Hara, Jr.

Commission Staff:

Bernard J. Hettel, Executive Secretary
David S. Lermond, Jr., Deputy Executive Secretary
Kimberly C. Mackey, Office Administrator
C. Richard Harden, DVM, Equine Medical Director

Attorney General's Office:

Joshua Laws

Vice Chairman Sarge Reynolds opened the floor to nominations for the 2014 Chairman. Commissioner O'Hara moved to elect Commissioner Reynolds as Chairman. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Sarge Reynolds opened the floor to nominations for the 2014 Vice Chairman. Commissioner Trout moved to elect Commissioner Van Clief as Vice Chairman. The motion carried unanimously.

Prior to the regular monthly meeting, an appeal In the Matter of Trainer Leanne Hester resulting from Stewards ruling(s) #13-031 and #13-032 dated September 24, 2013 on the horse, "Good Gracious" and penalty imposed. The Commission upheld the \$1,000 fine and purse forfeiture, but overturned the 15 day suspension of Miss Hester.

The second appeal hearing and regular meeting of the Commission was postponed to January 29, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. due to severe weather expected in the area.