

# MINUTES

## OREGON RACING COMMISSION FEBRUARY 7, 2003

The Oregon Racing Commission met on Friday, February 7, 2003, in the conference room of the commission office located in the Portland State Office Building at 800 NE Oregon Street, Portland, OR. Commissioners in attendance were Steve Walters, Chair; Tom Towslee, Vice Chair; Lisa Metcalf, Jeff Gilmour and Todd Thorne. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. and immediately went into executive session for the purpose of interviewing the three final candidates for the position of Executive Director.

The commission adjourned for lunch and reconvened at 1:00 p.m. in public session. Due to prior commitments, Vice Chair Towslee was excused. Chair Walters reported that while they were in executive session there was no action taken. The following items were discussed:

### **1. Oregon-bred Purse Supplement Proposal Submitted by The OTBA**

In their written request, the OTBA stated they were concerned about having sufficient resources for their Oregon-bred program for next season. With that in mind, they requested approval to change the manner in which the daily Oregon-bred races are funded now in order that the change could be reflected in the new condition book that goes to press on February 12th. Since the request was just received today, Chair Walters suggested he be delegated the authority to take action on the request after having had time to review details of the request.

ACTION: MOTION(Thorne) Delegate authority to Chair Walters to take action on the request.  
VOTE: 4 Aye, 0 Nay, 1 Excused

### **2. Request From Portland Meadows to Participate in Future Wagers on The Kentucky Derby and Kentucky Oaks**

The signed contract between Churchill Downs and Portland Meadows was received in the office yesterday. Like the OTBA request, action on this request needed to be made prior to the February 20th commission meeting as the first future wagers were to be accepted next week. It was suggested Chair Walters be delegated authority to take action on the request after having had time to thoroughly review the contract.

ACTION: MOTION(Metcalf) Delegate authority to Chair Walters to take action on the request.  
VOTE: 4 Aye, 0 Nay, 1 Excused

Following discussion on the above items, the commission returned to executive session to complete their interviews of candidates and adjourned without going back into public session.