

# Board Actions

## MTHA Board Meeting – January 25, 2016 – Phone Conference

**Members present:** Timothy L. Keefe (President), Linda S. Gaudet (Vice President), R. Larry Johnson (Vice President), Michael F. Horning (Treasurer), Katharine M. Voss (Secretary), A. Ferris Allen, Christine E. Bricker, Dale Capuano, Ellen M. Charles, JoAnn Hayden, Robert T. Manfuso, H. Graham Motion, Lawrence E. Murray, Charles J. Reed and Michael J. Trombetta.

**Members absent:** None.

### **25% Raise Claiming Rule**

The Board endorsed the current claiming rule by a vote of 12-3 that requires a claimed horse to be raised 25% within 30 days of the original claim.

***Voting in favor:*** Ms. Bricker, Mrs. Charles, Mrs. Gaudet, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Keefe, Mrs. Hayden, Mr. Horning, Mr. Manfuso, Mr. Motion, Mr. Murray, Mr. Trombetta and Ms. Voss.

***Voting against:*** Mr. Allen, Mr. Capuano, and Mr. Reed.

### **Allowance Conditions**

The Board voted 8-6 to endorse current allowance conditions with no changes in regards to a proposal to have state restricted race wins be included in the horse's conditions.

***Voting in favor:*** Mr. Allen, Ms. Bricker, Mr. Capuano, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Keefe, Mr. Reed, Mr. Motion and Mr. Trombetta.

***Voting against:*** Mrs. Charles, Mrs. Gaudet, Mrs. Hayden, Mr. Horning, Mr. Manfuso and Ms. Voss.

### **Jockey Scratches**

The Board voted unanimously to endorse an immediate House Rule and eventual regulation change that requires an automatic scratch of a horse whose jockey deemed the horse unfit to ride.