

Board Actions

MTHA Board Meeting – September 22, 2011 – Laurel Park

Members present: Richard J. Hoffberger, President, Richard J. Meyer, Vice President, W. Robert Bailes, Christine E. Bricker Dale Capuano, Linda S. Gaudet, H. Neil Glasser, Chris W. Grove, Arnold A. Heft, Michael F. Horning, R. Larry Johnson, Tim L. Keefe, Lawrence E. Murray, Katharine M. Voss.

Members absent: Howard M. Bender

Financial Report

January 1 through June 30, 2011 was reviewed and unanimously accepted as presented.

Election of Officers

President Hoffberger and Vice President Meyer's terms as officers were unanimously extended until 2014.

MRMA Scholarship Fund

A \$5,000 contribution to the Maryland Thoroughbred Scholarship Fund for 2011 was unanimously approved.

Coupled Entries

The Board unanimously approved the following changes to coupling regulations:

- (a) In SF (11) of this regulation, “commonality of ownership” means that the same person, persons, entity, or entities own at least 25 percent of a horse entered in a race and also own at least 25 percent of another horse entered in the same race.
- (b) Except as otherwise provided in SF (11) of this regulation, horses shall be coupled for betting purposes if:
 - (1) the horses have commonality ownership; excluding stake races.
- (c) If there is no commonality of ownership, horses trained by the same trainer may be uncoupled for betting purposes in all races; unless the racing association and the trainer mutually agree to couple the horses for betting purposes. Coupled horses must be declared at the time of entry.