



NORTH DAKOTA RACING COMMISSION

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Director

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NDRC Meeting

State Capitol Building, Fort Totten Room

600 East Boulevard Avenue, Bismarck, ND

Thursday, November 29, 2018 – 10:30 a.m. (Central Time)

Minutes

Present: Chairman Mary Ann Durick, Commissioner John Hanson, Commissioner Tim Kreidt, Commissioner Dave Piepkorn, Legal Counsel Allyson Hicks, Director Gunner laCour, and Administrative Officer Gail Allensworth

Not Present: Commissioner Shane Martin

Others Present: Doug DeMontigny, John Bubel, Jack Schulz, Leon Glasser, Blair Thoreson, Mike Schmitz, Ryan Kelly and Ben Stacer.

Call to Order: Chairman Durick called the meeting to order at 10:32 a.m.

AGENDA

1. **Approval of Minutes – November 15, 2018 Meeting**
2. **Executive Director Hire**
3. **Historic Horse Racing Update**
4. **No other business to come before the Commission**
5. **Adjournment**

1. **Approval of Minutes – November 15, 2018 Meeting**

Previously, all Commissioners had received a copy of the minutes to review.

A motion was made by Commissioner Piepkorn and seconded by Chairman Durick to accept the minutes of November 15, 2018 as presented. Piepkorn -Y, Durick -Y, Hanson -Y, and Kreidt -Y. Motion passed.

2. **Executive Director Hire**

Director laCour provided an update regarding the search to find a new Director and introduced Jack Schulz as the new Director. Mr. Schulz will start as a temporary on December 3 as he will be attending the Racing Symposium in Tucson the first week of December. He will then start his duties full-time on January 2, 2019.

Jack Schulz spoke about his background. The Commissioners asked Mr. Schulz questions and Mr. Schulz responded.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hanson and seconded by Commissioner Durick to hire Jack Schulz as the new Director of the Racing Commission at \$6,500 per month with a benefits package. Hanson -Y, Durick -Y, Kreidt -Y, and Piepkorn -Y. Motion passed.

3. **Historic Horse Racing Update**

Director laCour provided a brief synopsis on the status of the Historic Horse Racing bill that is to be introduced during the next Legislative session but stated that there isn't a copy of the bill available yet.

Mr. Ryan Kelly of Synergetic Endeavors was introduced as a contract lobbyist for PariMAX. Mr. Kelly provided an update of the historic horse racing bill for the next session. Questions were asked by the Commissioners which Mr. Kelly answered.

No motions needed.

Commissioner Piepkorn commended Director laCour for his extensive work with the Racing Commission and horse racing in North Dakota.

4. **No other business to come before the Commission**

5. **Adjournment**

A Motion was made by Commissioner Hanson and seconded by Commissioner Kreidt to adjourn the meeting. All voted aye and hearing no negative vote the motion passed.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:31 a.m.