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Director

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Telephone Meeting

**ND Racing Commission Office, 500 N 9th Street, Lower Level, Bismarck, ND
Tuesday, December 31, 2013 – 12:00 p.m. (Central Time)**

Minutes

Call to Order: Chairman Jim Ozbun called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m.

Present: Director Gunner laCour and Administrative Assistant, Gail Allensworth

By Phone: Chairman Jim Ozbun, Commissioner Steve Hartman, and Commissioner Tom Senftner

Others Present: Gail Hrdlicka

Agenda

1. **Additional Funding for 2013 Breeders' Fund Awards**
2. **No other business to come before the Commission**
3. **Adjournment**

1. **Additional Funding for 2013 Breeders' Fund Awards**

Director laCour described the problem with the 2013 Breeders' Fund awards. Gail Hrdlicka, Breed Fund Administrator, previously calculated the total breed fund points but failed to provide double breed fund points to two quarter horse races which qualified on Sunday despite having specifically designated these races as qualifying during the prior Commission meeting. Based on those erroneous calculations, Breeders Fund payments were made.

In order to remedy the situation, Director laCour asked the Commission to allocate \$5,935.62, from the Breed Fund. This amount was calculated by doubling the value of the Breed Fund payments for these races. This insured that the horsemen receiving the double breed fund points would receive the same value for their points as all other horsemen, despite the fact that all original points awarded were inflated because of the error in calculations.

A Motion was made by Commissioner Senftner and seconded by Commissioner Hartman to approve additional funding for the 2013 Breeders' Fund awards in the amount of \$5,935.62. Senftner-Y, Hartman-Y, Ozbun-Y. Motion passed.

After the motion, Commissioner Senftner asked that it be put on the record that this error was in part due to the late purse changes made by HRND to the two races in question. As a result of these changes, the purses were represented incorrectly on Equibase which caused the Breed Fund Administrator to believe they did not qualify. The Director stated that the errors in the Breed Fund Awards would be on the next Commission Meeting Agenda for further discussion and that he would specifically address this issue with HRND.

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

3. **Adjournment**

Chairman Ozbun requested the meeting be adjourned.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 12:22 p.m.