

North Dakota Racing Commission Special Meeting
Teams Meeting
701-328-0950, meeting ID: 19851107#
Monday, December 19, 2022 – 4:00 pm, Central Time

Minutes

Call to Order: Chairman Hanson called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

Present: Executive Director Jack Schulz and Administrative Officer Gail Allensworth

On the Phone: Chairman John Hanson, Commissioner Michael Nason, Commissioner Jessica Benson, Commissioner Richard LaFromboise, Commissioner Tracy Hanson, Legal Counsel Josh Amundson, and HRMS Rep. Lynn Burgard

Others on the Phone: Hugh Drexler, Tuck Miller, and Mike Weiss

AGENDA

1. **Filling the Executive Director Position**
2. **General Manager Position at ND Horse Park**
3. **2023 Legislative Session & Proposed Bills**
4. **No other business to come before the Commission**
5. **Adjournment**

1. **Filling the Executive Director Position**

Executive Director Schulz introduced HRMS Rep. Lynn Burgard who provided an update on the Executive Director job posting.

Chairman John Hanson made a suggestion to fill the Executive Director as an interim position so that there is no rush to hire for the permanent position.

HRMS Rep. Lynn Burgard stated that an interim position would be a temporary position from an HR point of view.

Executive Director Schulz stated that the Commission can appoint an Interim Director.

Legal Counsel Josh Amundson confirmed that as a temporary position the only thing to discuss is salary as there are no benefits with a temporary position.

There was discussion amongst the Commissioners regarding hiring an Interim Director.

Executive Director Schulz stated that the State Steward was interested in the position and would step away from the State Steward position if appointed Interim Director.

A motion was made by Commissioner Nason and seconded by Commissioner Hanson to hire an Interim Director. Nason – Y, T. Hanson – Y, J. Hanson – Y, Benson – Y, and LaFromboise - abstained. Motion passed.

2. General Manager Position at ND Horse Park

Executive Director Schulz stated that this is a non-issue.

No motions needed.

3. 2023 Legislative Session & Proposed Bills

Executive Director Schulz provided an update on the bill going forward in the Legislature stating that it was drafted and ready. Representative Corey is looking for co-sponsors of the bill.

No motions needed.

4. No other business to come before the Commission

5. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 5:12 p.m.