# LOUISIANA STATE RACING COMMISSION

# MINUTES - January 28, 2022 Meeting

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### COMMISSIONERS IN ATTENDANCE

Benjamin J. Guilbeau, Jr., Chairman
Louis Reine, First Vice Chair

Dr. Patrick Bernard, Second Vice Chair
Leslie M. Bouie
Thomas B. Calvert
Lane T. Cortez
Eddie J. Delahoussaye
K. R. "Ron" Finkelstein, O.D.
Roy Griggs
Peter J. Hamilton III

#### ABSENT

Donald "Don" Cravins Mike R. McHalffey Deano Thornton **APPROVED** 

At the Commission Meeting of

[26/2022 (Date)

July Special

Executive Director
Louisiana State Racing Commission

The meeting of the Louisiana State Racing Commission (LSRC) was called to order by the Chairman on Friday, January 28, 2022 at 10:00 AM on the Zoom Conference Call. Roll call was taken; a quorum was present.

## I. ASSOCIATION REQUESTS

## A. BOYD RACING, LLC d/b/a DELTA DOWNS RACETRACK, CASINO & HOTEL

- 1. EXOTIC WAGERING TAKEOUT (LA. REV. STAT. 4:166.7)
  - a. Request to lower take-out percentage of Pick 4 and Pick 5 wagering from 25% to 12% on Saturday, February 5, 2022 (Louisiana Premier Day) at Delta Downs.

Commissioner Reine motions to approve; Commissioner Bouie seconds; motion carries.

# B. HARRAH'S BOSSIER CITY INVESTMENT COMPANY, LLC d/b/a HARRAH'S LOUISIANA DOWNS

### **2022 QUARTER HORSE MEET**

1. REQUEST BY HARRAH'S LOUISIANA DOWNS TO ADD MARCH 5, 2022 TO AND REMOVE APRIL 7, 2022 FROM RACING DATES APPROVED ON AUGUST 25, 2021 (R.S. 4:158A) AS PROVIDED IN MEETING AGENDA.

Mr. David Heitzmann, Director of Racing for Louisiana Downs, informs that they had a record number of nominations for the Mardi Gras Futurity Trials, so they believe that they will need a second day on March 5, 2022 to run all of the trials. Mr. Bruce Salard, Executive Director of Louisiana Quarter Horse Breeders Association, indicates that his group agrees with this request.

Commissioner Reine motions to approve; Commissioner Bernard seconds; motion carries.

### II. OTHER

### A. HHR IMPLEMENTATION

1. Approval of Technical Amendments.

The Chairman informs that LSRC's consultants, Gaming Laboratories International, LLC, have proposed technical amendments to the Historical Horse Racing (HHR) rules, which have been reviewed and approved by all racing associations.

Commissioner Cortez motions to approve; Commissioner Griggs seconds; motion carries.

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Mr. Charles Gardiner III, Executive Director of LSRC, informs that the Administrative Office has been inundated with HHR requests from vendors and has been approving the requests to ship HHR machines into Louisiana, some of which have already arrived.

Commissioner Cortez informs that the Rules Committee has been in communication with the Louisiana Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association, the breeders associations, and the Jockeys' Guild to try to come to a consensus on the proposed rules that were discussed at the January 18, 2022 Commission Meeting.

## III. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioners motion to adjourn; Commissioners second; motion carries.

Charles A. Gardiner III Executive Director