

NORTH DAKOTA RACING COMMISSION
Thursday, December 20, 2007 Meeting
4:30 p.m. (central time)
500 North 9th Street, Bismarck, ND

Call to Order:

Chairman, James Clement, called the meeting to order at 4:31 p.m. Roll call was taken by Director Blaseg and all commissioners were present. (Commissioners Frederick, Pladson, Secrest and Weir attended by phone.)

Present:

Commissioners: James Clement, Mandan; Clarence Frederick, Belcourt; DeAnn Pladson, Fargo; Tom Secrest, Hettinger; Patrick Weir, Medora; Director of Racing, Randy Blaseg; Legal Counsel Bill Peterson and Administrative Staff Officer Helen Tessmann.

Others Present:

Mike Cichy, Roger Thompson and Richard Nevins

1. Approval of Minutes – November 19, 2007 Meeting

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the November 19, 2007 meeting.
(Pladson/Frederick/unanimous) Motion passed.

2. Sky Dancer's Account Wagering Request

In the matter of Sky Dancer Hotel and Casino's request for approval of account wagering, Legal Counsel advised the Commission to deny the request. The commissioners had previously received copies of correspondence from Legal Counsel and Joe Cichy on behalf of Premier Turf Club. Mike Cichy of Premier Turf Club also addressed this request.

A motion was made to table this issue. (Secrest/Weir)

Commissioner Secrest amended his previous motion from to table to deny Sky Dancer's request for approval for account wagering. Commissioner Weir amended his previous second from table to deny. (Secrest/Weir/Clement-N, Frederick-N, Weir-Y, Secrest-Y and Pladson-Y.) Motion passed.

3. 2007 Breeders' Awards Deadline of December 31st

Discussion was held as to the process the Director, the new vendor, Staiger Consulting Group, and Roger Thompson would be using to meet the December 31st deadline for sending out the 2007 breeders' fund award payments.

4. Adjournment

(Secrest/Pladson/unanimous) Motion carried.
The meeting was adjourned at 5:25 p.m.