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## Ohio State Racing Commission

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Governor

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### Minutes of the Ohio State Racing Commission Meeting held on December 16, 2020

1-The Ohio State Racing Commission (“Commission”) held its monthly meeting December 16, 2020 via teleconference beginning at 10 am.

2-Commission Chairman Scott Borgemenke called the meeting to order. Commissioners Greg Simpson, Beth Hansen, William Patmon Jr. and Thomas Winters were present.

3-Commissioner Simpson moved to approve the November 19, 2020 Commission meeting minutes. Commissioner Hansen seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

4- Executive Director Bill Crawford discussed Executive Director approvals. Commissioner Winters moved to ratify the Executive Director’s approvals. Commissioner Hansen seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

5- The Commission discussed the 2021 Ohio Thoroughbred Race Fund. Commissioner Simpson moved to approve the 2021 Ohio Thoroughbred Race Fund. Commissioner Hansen seconded the motion. The projected race program will mostly run the same as in 2020. The Thoroughbred Race Fund projected budget is the same as in 2020. The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

6-The Commission discussed the 2021 Ohio Standardbred Race Fund. Commissioner Winters moved to approve the 2021 Ohio Standardbred Development Fund. Commissioner Hansen seconded the motion. The two- and 3-year-old Championships will be on September 5<sup>th</sup> at Northfield Park. The consolations for the two- and three-year-old’s will be at Dayton Raceway on October 2, 2021. The veteran championships for four years old’s or older will be at Scioto Downs on September 4<sup>th</sup>. The Standardbred Development Fund projected budget is the same as in 2020. The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

7-The Commission considered Resolution 2020-18 discussed endogenous, dietary and environmental substances as well as endogenic and anabolic steroids. On October 15<sup>th</sup> and October 22<sup>nd</sup>, the Medication Committee discussed endogenous, dietary and environmental substances as well as endogenic and anabolic steroids. On November 12<sup>th</sup> Commissioner Hansen, Dr. Robertson and Executive Director Bill Crawford teleconferenced with Dave Basler from the Ohio Benevolent and Protective Association and Renee Mancino from the Ohio Harness Horsemen Association to discuss endogenous, dietary and environmental substances as well as endogenic and anabolic steroids. Resolution 2020-18 was unanimously approved by roll call vote. The thresholds will become effective on March 1, 2021.

8-Commission Veterinarian Dr. James Robertson updated the Commission on horse fatalities in Ohio. Through December 16, 2020 there has been 35 fatalities with 32 from the thoroughbreds and 3 from the standardbred.

9-Sherry White, Commission Fiscal Officer, gave her monthly financial report. Through November we see that revenues are down 18% and expenses are down about 9%. The main reduction in revenue is \$117,000 less tax revenue from last year.

10A-Commissioner Hansen stated the medication committee will meet in the second quarter of 2021.

10B-Commissioner Simpson stated the Safety Committee discussed several safety issues including the use of the riding crop and the whip on November 12th. The Safety Committee will meet in February to discuss the ARCI model rule for riding crops.

11-The Chairman cautioned, the horsemen need to continue wearing masks and practicing social distancing even though the covid-19 vaccine will be distributed.


12- From the Thoroughbred Idea Foundation, Pat Cummings spoke regarding Mahoning Valley's Jackpot pick six wager and the takeout by Mahoning Valley. The Commission will respond to Mr. Cummings.

13-Commissioner Simpson moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Hansen seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved by a roll call vote. The public meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

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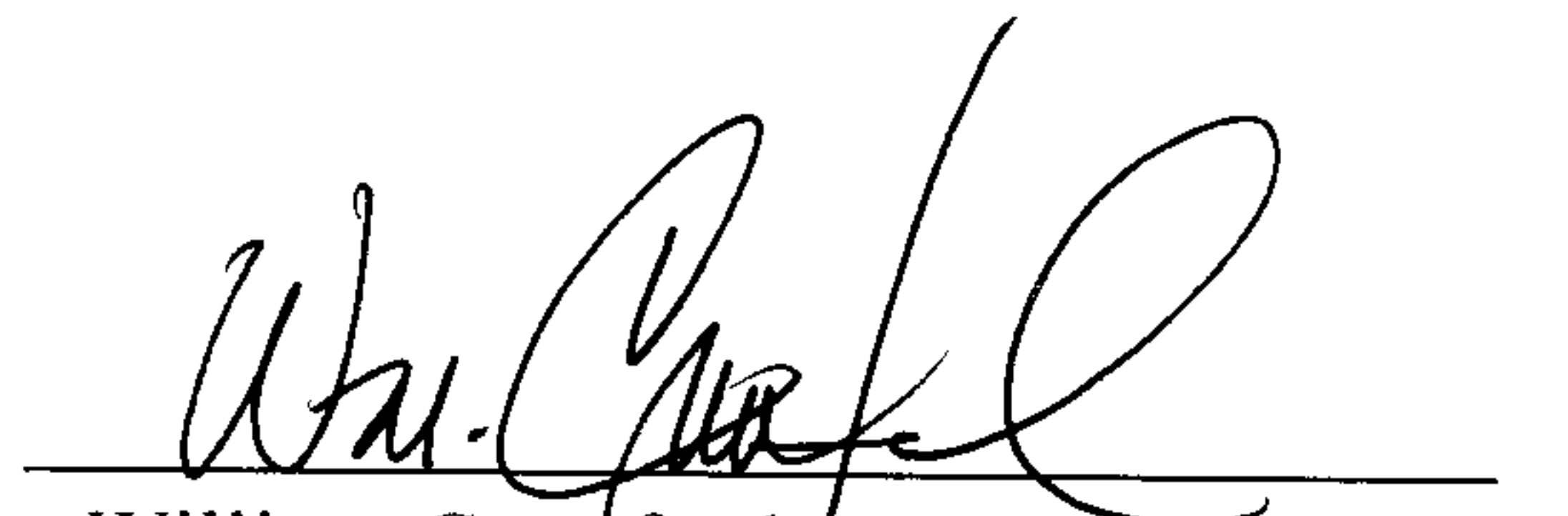
Date, Time & Place of Next Meeting  
Wednesday, January 20, 2021 @ 10 am  
via teleconference

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Scott Borgemenke, Chairman



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William Crawford, Executive Director