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STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the **California Horse Racing Board Strategic Planning Committee** will be held on **Wednesday, February 21, 2007**, commencing at **1:00 p.m.**, in the **Baldwin Terrace Room at the Santa Anita Race Track, 285 West Huntington Drive, Arcadia, California**. Non-committee Board members attending the committee meeting may not participate in the public discussion, official committee vote or committee closed session.

Agenda

Action Items

1. Report and discussion from the CHRB Northern California Ad Hoc Committee on Strategic Planning on its preliminary meeting regarding future race venues and potential calendars for California race meetings.
2. Report and discussion from the CHRB Southern California Ad Hoc Committee on Strategic Planning on its preliminary meeting regarding future race venues and potential calendars for California race meetings.
3. Discussion regarding the future of California horse racing.

Additional information regarding this meeting may be obtained from Jacqueline Wagner at the CHRB Administrative Office, 1010 Hurley Way, Suite 300, Sacramento, CA 95825; telephone (916) 263-6000; fax (916) 263-6042. A copy of this notice can be located on the CHRB website at www.chrb.ca.gov. *Information for requesting disability related accommodation for persons with a disability who require aids or services in order to participate in this public meeting, should contact Jacqueline Wagner.

STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE

Chairman Richard B. Shapiro, Chairman
Commissioner John Amerman, Member
Commissioner Marie G. Moretti, Member

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PARI-MUTUEL OPERATIONS **COMMITTEE MEETING**

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the **California Horse Racing Board Pari-Mutuel Operations Committee** will be held on **Wednesday, February 21, 2007**, commencing at **3:30 p.m.**, in the **Baldwin Terrace Room at the Santa Anita Race Track, 285 West Huntington Drive, Arcadia, California**. Non-committee Board members attending the committee meeting may not participate in the public discussion, official committee vote or committee closed session.

Agenda

Action Items

1. Discussion and presentation from a representative of Scientific Games **regarding late odds changes, why they occur during the running of the race, and the steps being taken to protect the integrity of the pari-mutuel pools.**
2. Discussion regarding **ways to protect the wagering public when significant late changes occur.**
3. Discussion regarding **pari-mutuel issues that could be addressed at future committee meetings.**

Additional information regarding this meeting may be obtained from Mike Marten at the CHRB Office at Los Alamitos Race Course, 4961 E. Katella Avenue, Los Alamitos, CA, 90720; telephone (714) 820-2748; cell (714) 240-1870; fax (714) 821-6232. A copy of this notice can be located on the CHRB website at www.chrb.ca.gov. *Information for requesting disability related accommodation for persons with a disability who requires aids or services in order to participate in this public meeting, should contact Mike Marten.

PARI-MUTUEL OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Commissioner Jerry Moss, Chairman
Commissioner John Andreini, Member
Ingrid Fermin, Executive Director

STAFF ANALYSIS
UPDATE AND DISCUSSION REGARDING LATE ODDS CHANGES
AND
STEPS BEING TAKEN TO PROTECT THE INTEGRITY OF
THE PARI-MUTUEL POOLS

Pari-Mutuel Operations Committee
February 21, 2007

BACKGROUND

While significant late odds changes seem to be occurring less frequently, they do occasionally still occur. At the January 2007 Regular Board Meeting, representatives of Scientific Games updated the Board on technological changes that address this issue. Scientific Games is prepared to provide a more detailed presentation to the Committee, including a description of improvements in technology and data transmission related to its new data center in Sacramento and a national update on the issue.

RECOMMENDATION

This item is presented for discussion.

STAFF ANALYSIS
DISCUSSION REGARDING WAYS TO PROTECT THE WAGERING PUBLIC
WHEN SIGNIFICANT LATE CHANGES OCCUR

Pari-mutuel Operations Committee
February 21, 2007

BACKGROUND

The Board has received comment regarding the need to protect the wagering public when significant late changes occur that affect one or more horses in a race about to be run. One issue is the late announcement that a horse was gelded since its last start. Another concern involves the late scratch of part of an entry. Such late changes can be particularly significant if they occur after the first leg of a multiple-race wager has been run, as patrons already locked into their selections could not use the new information to their advantage. Board Rule 1974, Wagering Interest, provides that when one part of an entry is scratched, the remaining part of the entry continues as a viable wagering interest. The National Thoroughbred Racing Association Player's Panel has recommended that if one part of an entry is scratched, the remaining part runs for purse only. The Committee may wish to consider the Player's Panel recommendation. Board Rule 1865, Altering Sex of Horse, requires the reporting of a gelding within 72 hours of such gelding. However, the gelding of a horse is not always reported in a timely manner. Although gelding and scratched entries are the most common late changes, other issues arise from time to time. To protect the wagering public, it has been suggested that the Board adopt a more general rule that would give the stewards the option to have a horse race for purse money only when significant circumstances warrant such action.

RECOMMENDATION

This item is presented for discussion.

STAFF ANALYSIS
DISCUSSION REGARDING
PARI-MUTUEL
ISSUES THAT COULD BE ADDRESSED
AT FUTURE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Pari-Mutuel Operations Committee
February 21, 2007

BACKGROUND:

The Pari-Mutuel Operations Committee encourages the industry and the public to suggest ways of improving the operation of California's pari-mutuel wagering system, including but not limited to suggestions for new wagers, ways of improving existing wagers, and other matters relating to the overall wagering experience. For example, one such discussion led to the amendment of CHRB Rule 1976.9, Pick (n) Pool to allow for alternate selections in the Pick 6, a popular change that has since been adopted in other racing jurisdictions.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Committee hear from interested parties regarding this matter.