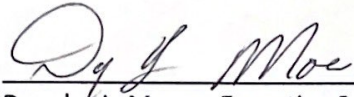


WHRC Commission Special Meeting  
April 22, 2022  
Via Zoom  
Meeting called to order at 9:30 a.m.

- Item #1. Approval of Policy Statement 2022-001 - Intra Articular Injections - Restrictions  
A policy statement to clarify WAC 260-70-625 was proposed to address that the stand down time for an intra articular injections was for corticoid steroids only. Dr. Macomber moved to approve, Dr. Ragle seconded, motion carries.
- Item #2. Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority - Safety rule implementation.  
Chair Lopez indicated that the WHRC is reviewing a draft agreement with HISA for the agency to enforce the HISA safety rules beginning July 1. It was noted there are several issues surrounding this and amendments would be provided. Representative Schmick stated he was concerned with the National organization regulating horse racing. HBPA President Pat LePley indicated their willingness to work with HISA, but the costs could be prohibitive. Emerald Downs president Phil Ziegler noted that many of the requirements are already being done in some form or fashion. Doug Moore repeated the trouble with the availability of regulator veterinarians to provide the services required by HISA.
- Item #3. Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority - Fee schedule and submission.  
HISA has submitted a invoice for \$115,610 to the industry in the Washington. The Commission considered it's authority or ability to either collect and submit the fees statutorily. Additionally, if the WHRC agrees to submit the fees it is committed to paying the 2023 fees which will include the equine medication portion that is yet to be determined. Also, the inability of the WHRC to audit HISA as to where and how the fees are spent, which may include public funds, is a problem. Dr. Ragle commented that there appears no good answer as to where to go with this. Dr. Macomber asked about the ability to opt in or out. It was reported that if the WHRC opted in, it would be obligated for two years. HPBA Executive Director of the HBPA Mary Ann O'Connell inquired about the costs of additional staff if an agreement was signed. Pat LePley said that the lawsuit that was filed by the National HBPA that was dismissed in Texas had been appealed. He was also concerned about the fees being collected as a per-start fee on the owners and that most of the duties were already being done by the WHRC. He also encouraged all stakeholders to contact their Federal legislators on the impact HISA would have on the overall industry in the State. Chair Lopez said he would prefer that the commission vote on the fee assessment be made in a motion and that a formal letter of the decision be provided the HISA board. Dr. Macomber moved that the WHRC not agree to submit or collect fees, Dr. Ragle

seconded and the motion carried. Chair Lopez asked Doug Moore to draft a letter to provide HISA.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "D. L. Moore", is written over a horizontal line.

Douglas L. Moore, Executive Secretary