**HRND Board Meeting Agenda**

**Tuesday December 5, 2023 Via phone**

**Call in number is** 706-927-5114 PIN: 651 463 817#

**Jay A – Pres, Doug P – VP, Billy B – Treas Gaming Board – Jay, John and Leigh**

1. **Welcome- Jay calls meeting to order. Jay, Doug, Billy, John, Kenny and Wally on the call. Leigh was not on the call.**
2. **New Business –**
   1. **New Members – Discussion regarding new members. 2 potential new members are asked to introduce themselves. A motion to accept new members Kenny Asplin and Wally Cunningham. The motion was seconded.**
   2. **Race Dates – Hugh Discusses the communication with NDSU in regard to renting of the NDSU barn. NDSU had an event scheduled for the 1st weekend in August but they have decided to move to a later date to help accommodate the racing schedule. The goal is to run July 12,13,20,21,28,28, August 3,4.**
   3. **Commission Grants – Grants have been submitted to NDRC, but were not discussed at the last commission meeting. HRND has submitted a request for purse and promo fund similar to last season, with an increase to account for the extra 2 days of racing. The amount requested was determines by the following formula. The 2023 purse and promo fund awards granted were divided by the 6 races days. That amount was taken and multiplied by 8 to account for the 2024 race days.**
   4. **Sidestreet OTB – A discussion about whether or not to keep the OTB open as it is losing money on a yearly basis. Pros of keeping the OTB open were discussed and outweigh the cons. Pro’s include visibility, events, relationship with Lien games and sidestreet as well as the ability to employ 1-2 mutuel tellers throughout the year. Con’s include patron behavior at the establishment and patron complaints about availability of tellers. It has been decided to keep the OTB open and reevaluate on a yearly basis, as long as the OTB does not begin to lose a significant amount of money.**
   5. **Bilaws – We provided to board members. Cindy from the tax lady was able to provide a copy of the bylaws. Jay provided a list of changes that have been made to said bylaws.**
   6. **Next Mtg Feb – Discussion regarding having the meeting after the commission meeting so that all board members can be in attendance.**

**A. Other new business**

**VIII. Adjourn**