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CHRB NEWS RELEASE

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## SUMMARY OF CHRB ACTIONS AND DISCUSSIONS 11-21-13

INGLEWOOD, CA – The California Horse Racing Board conducted its regular meeting Thursday, November 21, 2013, at Hollywood Park. Chairman David Israel presided. Vice Chairman Chuck Winner and Commissioners Steve Beneto, Jesse Choper, Bo Derek, George Krikorian, and Richard Rosenberg were in attendance.

The audio of this entire Board meeting is available on the CHRB Website ([www.chrb.ca.gov](http://www.chrb.ca.gov)) under the [Webcast](#) link. In brief:

- The Board received a comprehensive report containing details of the review by CHRB personnel in conjunction with the University of California, Davis, indicating “there is no evidence whatsoever that CHRB rules or regulations have been violated or any improper activity played a part in the sudden deaths” of seven horses trained by Bob Baffert. The full report is posted on the CHRB Website under the Veterinary link.
- The Board approved the license application for the Los Angeles Turf Club to conduct a race meet at Santa Anita Park from December 26, 2013, through April 20, 2014. During this discussion:
  - It was reported that an agreement has been reached providing for both HRTV and TVG to broadcast races for this and all thoroughbred meets in California in 2014;
  - Santa Anita was asked to present a calendar for backstretch improvements at the December 12 Board meeting; and
  - Santa Anita was told it will need to submit a separate license application for a second race meet from April 21 through June 29 with dates that historically went to Hollywood Park.
- The Board approved one-year licenses for five companies to conduct Advance Deposit Wagering in California, some conditioned upon submission of required documents and agreements. The five ADW operators licensed for 2014 are TVG, XpressBet, Twinpires, Watch and Wager, and Lien Games Racing.

- The Board approved the license application for Los Alamitos to conduct quarter horse racing from December 27, 2013, through December 21, 2014.
- The Medication and Track Safety Committee reported on the previous day's meeting, which included an update on the just completed Breeders' Cup at Santa Anita. The Committee recommended and the Board so authorized for public notice a proposed regulatory amendment revising the levels of specified authorized medications and other changes consistent with recommendations by the Racing Commissioners International and the Racing Medication and Testing Consortium.
- Hollywood Park reported plans to offer simulcast wagering in an upscale section of the adjacent card club after racing ends at Hollywood Park at the conclusion of the current, final race meet.
- The Board approved five individuals nominated for two-year terms as directors of the California Thoroughbred Horsemen's Foundation: Ken Smole, Jorge Gutierrez, Josh Rubenstein, David Naftzger, and John Garcia.
- The Board adopted a rule establishing penalties for tampering with smoke detectors at racetracks and training facilities within the CHRB's jurisdiction.

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