

## LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD

### Minutes of July 23, 2015

The monthly meeting of the Louisiana Gaming Control Board was convened on Thursday, July 23, 2015, 10:00 a.m., in House Committee Room 1 of the Louisiana State Capitol. Present at the meeting were: Ronnie Jones, Chairman, Ayres Bradford, Mark Stipe, James Singleton, Denise Noonan, Claude Mercer, Claude Jackson, Robert Gaston and Julie Berry. Absent were ex-officio members, Colonel Mike Edmonson and Secretary Tim Barfield.

The meeting was called to order. It was moved by Ms. Noonan to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the June meeting. That motion was seconded by Ms. Berry and unanimously approved by the Board.

Ms. Donna Jackson, State Police Gaming Audit Section, provided revenue reports for the riverboats, landbased casino, slots at the track, and employee numbers for the landbased casino. Mr. Jim Bossier, also with the Audit Section, reported on the video poker statistics.

The Board acted on Transfers of Interest for the following truckstops:

1. TA Operating, LLC d/b/a TravelCenters of America, Egan – No. 0100515849
2. TA Operating, LLC d/b/a TravelCenters of America, Shreveport – No. 0904515852
3. TA Operating, LLC d/b/a TA Operating, LLC d/b/a TravelCenters of America, Greenwood – No. 0906515551
4. TA Operating, LLC d/b/a TravelCenters of America, Tallulah – No. 3301515851

Following discussion, it was moved by Major Mercer to approve the transfers of interest in the above stated truckstops. That motion was seconded by Mr. Singleton and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board received an update by Dan Real, General Manager of Harrah's, concerning the impact to the casino of the smoking ban that was recently adopted by the New Orleans City Council.

The Board considered a petition for approval of debt transaction by Golden Nugget Lake Charles, LLC, No. R016502995. Following discussion, it was moved by Mr. Bradford to adopt the resolution approving the request. That motion was seconded by Mr. Gaston and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board considered a petition for approval of restructure of debt by Bossier Casino Venture d/b/a Margaritaville Resort Casino, No. R011000841. Following discussion, it was moved by Mr. Jackson to adopt the resolution approving the request. That motion was seconded by Ms. Noonan and approved by a vote of six to three. Voting against the motion were: Mr. Singleton, Mr. Gaston and Ms. Berry.

The Board considered the Certificate of Compliance for the Alternate Riverboat Inspection of the gaming vessel of PNK (Baton Rouge) Partnership d/b/a L'Auberge Casino & Hotel Baton Rouge, No. R011000801. Following discussion, it was moved by Ms. Berry to issue the Certificate of Compliance. That motion was seconded by Mr. Gaston and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board considered the Certificate of Compliance for the Alternate Riverboat Inspection of the gaming vessel of Belle of Orleans, LLC d/b/a Amelia Belle Casino, No. R013600020. Following discussion, it was moved by Ms. Berry to approve the requested equipment variance and issue the Certificate of Compliance. That motion was seconded by Mr. Bradford and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Wade Duty, Executive Director of the Casino Association, addressed the Board concerning the Casino Procurement Goals. He stated that the Casino Association continues to host Vendor Fairs to help with procurement, but attendance at the fairs has declined in recent years.

Casino representatives from Amelia Belle, Treasure Chest, Horseshoe and Isle of Capri addressed the Board in reference to their Procurement Goals.

The Board considered adoption of amendments to the following rules:

- A. Consideration of adoption of amendments to LAC 42:III.1701 (Definitions)
- B. Consideration of adoption of amendments to LAC 42:III.2108.C (Non-Gaming Suppliers)
- C. Consideration of adoption of amendments to LAC 42:III.2109.B (Suitability Determination)
- D. Consideration of adoption of amendments to LAC 42:III.2114.A (Tax Clearance of an Applicant, Licensee or Permittee)
- E. Consideration of adoption of amendments to LAC 42:III.2721 (Internal Controls; Tips or Gratuities)
- F. Consideration of adoption of amendments to LAC 42:III.2737 (Casino Gaming Payment Interception)
- G. Consideration of adoption of amendments to LAC 42:III.2915 (Age Restrictions for Casinos; Methods to Prevent Minors from Gaming Area)
- H. Consideration of adoption of amendments to LAC 42:III.2955.B (Managerial Representative on Premises)
- I. Consideration of adoption of amendments to LAC 42:III.4204.D.4 (Progressive Electronic Gaming Devices)

- J. Consideration of adoption of amendments to LAC 42:XI.2405 (Application and License)
- K. Consideration of adoption of amendments to LAC 42:XI.2424.B (Penalty Schedule)

It was moved by Mr. Jackson to approve the adoption of the above stated rules. That motion was seconded by Mr. Singleton and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board acted on Proposed Settlements and an Appeal in the following:

1. **In Re: LML Enterprises, LLC d/b/a Cajun Country Casino – No. 2900515058** – Motion by Mr. Singleton to approve the \$1,250.00 penalty for violating regulations regarding promotions and hours of operation of the restaurant. That motion was seconded by Mr. Stipe and unanimously approved by the Board.
2. **In Re: Carl D. Porter – No. P040048627** – Motion by Ms. Berry to approve the \$250.00 penalty for failure to timely provide required information regarding an arrest. That motion was seconded by Mr. Gaston and unanimously approved by the Board.
3. **In Re: Parkview Tavern LLC d/b/a Parkview Tavern – No. 3601104444** – Motion by Ms. Noonan to approve the \$1,000.00 penalty for allowing an underage individual to gamble. That motion was seconded by Mr. Jackson and unanimously approved by the Board.
4. **In Re: Christopher Runte d/b/a Club Cabaret – No. 1000116720** – Motion by Mr. Jackson to approve the \$750.00 penalty for failure to timely submit the Annual License Form, Annual Fee and other required documents. That motion was seconded by Mr. Singleton and unanimously approved by the board.
5. **In Re: Christopher Runte d/b/a Club Vixens – No. 1000116726** – Motion by Mr. Singleton to approve the \$750.00 penalty for failure to timely submit the Annual License Form, Annual Fee and other required documents. That motion was seconded by Mr. Jackson and unanimously approved by the Board.
6. **In Re: Ronetta B. Jones – No. P040063880** – Motion by Mr. Gaston to affirm the Hearing Officer's decision which imposed a \$250.00 penalty for failure to notify the division regarding an arrest. That motion was seconded by Mr. Jackson and unanimously approved by the Board.

There being no further business, it was moved by Ms. Noonan to adjourn. That motion was seconded by Mr. Jackson and unanimously approved by the Board.

The meeting was adjourned.