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LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD

Minutes of March 19, 2001

The Louisiana Gaming Control Board conducted a meeting on Monday, March 19, 2001, at the Dept. of Natural Resources, Mineral Board Hearing Room, 10:00 a.m. Present at this meeting were: Hillary J. Crain, Chairman; Robert M. Fleming, Vice-Chairman; Ralph R. Perlman, Secretary/Treasurer; James Boyer, Gen. Sherian Cadoria, Dennis Kinchen, Marcia Morgan and ex-officio member, Sec. Cynthia Bridges. Absent were board members, Dudley Lastrapes, Rupert Richardson and ex-officio member, Col. Terry Landry.

The meeting was called to order. It was moved by Sec. Perlman to approve the minutes of the February 20th meeting. That motion was seconded by Gen. Cadoria and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Jeff Traylor, State Police Gaming Audit Division, presented the revenue reports for the riverboats and the landbased casino. Ms. Donna Stevens, Audit Supervisor in Video Gaming, presented the statistics for video gaming.

The Board acted on and approved applications for the following truckstops:

1. Raceland Truck Plaza & Casino d/b/a Raceland Truck Place & Casino
2. Elsie's, L.L.C. d/b/a Elsie's Auto & Truck Plaza
3. Irish Bayou Travel Center, L.L.C. d/b/a Irish Bayou Truck Stop & Casino

Ms. Melinda Tucker, Asst. Attorney General, Trooper Chuck Parton and Ms. Evie Ficklin, State Police Audit Division, addressed Board members concerning the application of Louisiana Downs, Inc. for a license to conduct slot machine gaming.

Speaking on behalf of Louisiana Downs was Mr. John York, owner, Mr. Tony Nasrallah, Mr. David Inglis, personal attorney for Mr. York, and Mr. Tim Kaple, CPA and financial advisor.

Following discussion, it was moved by Mr. Boyer to approve the license for La. Downs. That motion was seconded by Mr. Kinchen and unanimously approved by the Board.

Gen. Cadoria made a motion to go into Executive Session. That motion was seconded by Sec. Perlman and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board went into Executive Session.

Following the Executive Session, the Board acted on a rehearing on a Petition for Declaratory Order by Mr. Paul Baier on behalf of El Chico Restaurants, et al. Mr. Baier sought a ruling regarding the applicability of La. R.S. 27:311 (G) involving a merger where the surviving corporation continues to operate the video gaming devices previously operated by the non-surviving corporation to the merger who is the licensee. In addition, he raised new issues for the first time in his petition that were beyond the scope of rehearing.

Following discussion, it was moved by Vice-Chairman Fleming to deny the petition. That motion was seconded by Ms. Morgan and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board acted on proposed settlements/appeals in the following:

1. In Re: Diane's Old Tyme Café - Motion by Vice-Chairman Fleming to approve the settlement. That motion was seconded by Ms. Morgan and unanimously approved by the Board.
2. In Re: Melody Lane and 3. In Re: Michael Bruno - Since these appeals had identical situations, they were combined. Motion by Vice-Chairman Fleming to approve both settlements. That motion was seconded by Gen. Cadoria and unanimously approved by the Board.
4. In Re: Frank Sagona - continued
5. In Re: Triple Diamond d/b/a Cajun Casino - Motion to grant rehearing by Vice-Chairman Fleming. That motion was seconded by Mr. Kinchen and passed by a 4 to 3 vote. Voting for the motion were: Vice-Chairman Fleming, Sec. Perlman, Mr. Boyer, and Mr. Kinchen. Voting against the motion were: Gen. Cadoria, Ms. Morgan and Chairman Crain.

There being no further comments, it was moved by Gen. Cadoria to adjourn. That motion was seconded by Sec. Perlman and unanimously approved by the Board.

The meeting was adjourned.