

LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD

Minutes of May 18, 2015

The monthly meeting of the Louisiana Gaming Control Board was convened on Monday, May 18, 2015, 10:00 a.m., in the LaBelle Hearing Room of the LaSalle Building. Present at the meeting were: Ronnie Jones, Chairman, Ayres Bradford, Mark Stipe, Denise Noonan, Claude Mercer, Claude Jackson, Robert Gaston and Julie Berry. Absent were board member James Singleton and ex officio members, Colonel Mike Edmonson and Secretary Tim Barfield.

The meeting was called to order. Chairman Jones welcomed Julie Berry to the Board. Ms. Berry is a CPA and a representative of the 3rd Congressional District. He also announced that the monthly June meeting would be held on Monday, June 8th in the LaSalle Building, and stated we should be back at the Capitol on our regular schedule of meetings for July.

It was moved by Mr. Gaston to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the April meeting. That motion was seconded by Ms. Noonan 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 for April.

Ms. Mesa Brown, Assistant Attorney General in the Gaming Division, presented the quarterly Compliance Reports.

The Board considered the following truckstop applications:

1. Galliano Properties, LLC d/b/a Bayou Gold Casino – No. 2900517212 – Motion by Major Mercer to approve the application. That motion was seconded by Mr. Bradford and unanimously approved by the Board.
2. Cash Magic Prospect Station, LLC d/b/a Cash Magic Prospect Station – No. 5500517083 – Motion by Mr. Gaston to approve the application. That motion was seconded by Mr. Jackson and unanimously approved by the Board.
3. Cash Magic Berwick, LLC d/b/a Hollywood Truck Plaza & Casino – No. 5103517058 – Motion by Mr. Jackson to approve the application. That motion was seconded by Ms. Noonan and unanimously approved by the Board.
4. Big Wheels Travel Center, LLC d/b/a Big Wheel Casino – No. 2900511884 – Motion by Mr. Bradford to approve the transfer of interest. That motion was seconded by Mr. Stipe and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board considered the renewal application for the riverboat gaming license of Catfish Queen Partnership in Commendam d/b/a Belle of Baton Rouge – No. R011700009. Following discussion, it was moved by Mr. Gaston to adopt the resolution approving the five-year renewal of the license. That motion was seconded by Mr. Jackson and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board considered the Certificate of Compliance for the Alternate Riverboat Inspection of the gaming vessel of Catfish Queen Partnership in Commendam d/b/a Belle of Baton Rouge – No. R011700009. Following discussion, it was moved by Major Mercer to issue the Certificate of Compliance. That motion was seconded by Mr. Stipe and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board considered the Certificate of Compliance for the Alternate Riverboat Inspection of the gaming vessel of PNK Lake Charles, LLC d/b/a L’Auberge Lake Charles – No. R011001707. Following discussion, it was moved by Ms. Noonan to issue the Certificate of Compliance. That motion was seconded by Mr. Jackson and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board considered the Certificate of Compliance for the Alternate Riverboat Inspection of the gaming vessel of Margaritaville Casino Venture, Inc. d/b/a Margaritaville Bossier City – No. R011000841. Following discussion, it was moved by Ms. Berry to issue the Certificate of Compliance. That motion was seconded by Mr. Jackson and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board considered the petition by AGS, LLC - Nos. P076503063 & P056503059, for Approval of Transfer of Ownership Interests by Amaya, Inc., indirect parent company of Cadillac Jacks, Inc. - No. P056503186 to AGS, LLC. Following discussion, it was moved by Mr. Jackson to adopt the resolution approving the transfer of interest. That motion was seconded by Mr. Gaston and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board acted on the following rules:

- A. Institution of rule-making procedures for promulgation of LAC 42:III.113 (Request for Permission to Reapply)
- B. Institution of rule-making procedures for amendment of LAC 42:III.120.A.6 (Application and Reporting Forms)

Following discussion, it was moved by Mr. Bradford to institute the rule-making procedures for the above stated rules. That motion was seconded by Ms. Berry and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board considered Proposed Settlements/Appeals in the following:

1. **In Re: Tung Nhi, Inc. d/b/a Lee's Grill & Seafood – No. 3601216316** – Motion by Mr. Jackson to approve the \$750.00 penalty for failure to timely submit Annual Licensee Form, Annual Fee and other required documents. That motion was seconded by Mr. Gaston and unanimously approved by the Board.
2. **In Re: Minden Truck Center LLC d/b/a Waverly Truckstop – No. 3300510619** (proposed settlement)
3. **In Re: QuickDraw Travel Plaza & Casino LLC d/b/a QuickDraw Travel Center & Casino – No. 6000515065** (proposed settlement)
4. **In Re: Coughatta Truckstop LLC d/b/a Coughatta Truckstop – No. 4101511094** (proposed settlement)
5. **In Re: Big Top Travel Center & Casino LLC d/b/a Big Top Travel Center & Casino – No. 3300512939** (proposed settlement)

Numbers two through five listed above were consolidated and resulted in one settlement. It was moved by Mr. Bradford to approve the \$500.00 penalty for failure to timely notify the Division of a transfer of interest. That motion was seconded by Mr. Stipe and unanimously approved by the Board.

6. **Areej Enterprises, LLC d/b/a Gas Plus Deli – No. 0106216424** – Motion by Ms. Noonan to approve \$750.00 settlement for failure to timely submit Annual Licensee Form, Annual Fee and other required documents. That motion was seconded by Mr. Jackson and unanimously approved by the Board.
7. **In Re: Wag A Pak Inc. d/b/a Cash Wag'n Casino – No. 2900515907** – Motion by Mr. Gaston to reverse the Hearing Officer's decision and impose a \$250.00 penalty for violating the regulation requiring a security guard to possess an ID card while on duty. That motion was seconded by Ms. Berry and unanimously approved by the Board.
8. **In Re: Johanna Hayes – No. V000019712** – Motion by Mr. Gaston to reverse the Hearing Officer's revocation and impose a \$250.00 penalty for failure to timely notify the Division of an arrest and charges. That motion was seconded by Ms. Noonan and unanimously approved by the Board.

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

The meeting was adjourned.