

LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD

Minutes of April 20, 2010

The Louisiana Gaming Control Board conducted a meeting on Tuesday, April 20, 2010, 10:00 a.m., in the Natchez Room of the Galvez Building, Baton Rouge. Present at the meeting were: Dane Morgan, Chairman; Major Claude Mercer, Velma Rogers, Ayres Bradford, Robert Jones, Mark Stipe, Gerald Juneau, James Singleton and Jackie Berthelot. Absent were ex-officio members, Col. Mike Edmonson and Sec. Cynthia Bridges.

The meeting was called to order. Chairman Morgan recognized Ms. Charlotte McGarr for her years of public service and wished her well in her upcoming retirement.

It was moved by Mr. Juneau to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the March meeting. That motion was seconded by Mr. Jones and unanimously approved by the Board.

Ms. Donna Jackson, State Police Gaming Audit Division, presented revenue reports for the riverboats, landbased casino and slots at the track. Ms. Janice Adolph, also with the Gaming Audit Division, presented the statistics for video poker.

There was an update on the compulsive gaming program by Mr. Reece Middleton. Mr. Middleton stated the next compulsive gambling training is scheduled for June 16th. Chairman Morgan discussed the possibility of applicants receiving the compulsive gambling training on-line versus having to travel to Baton Rouge to attend the four hour training session. The Chairman stated he thought an on-line training would probably reach more people.

The Board acted on the following truckstop applications:

1. **T & D Ventures, LLC d/b/a Lucky Dollar Casino – No. 4701512880** – Motion by Mr. Juneau to approve the transfer of interest. That motion was seconded by Major Mercer and unanimously approved by the Board.

Numbers 2 – 24 were handled in globo because they dealt with the same owners. It was moved by Mr. Bradford to approve the transfers of interest. That motion was seconded by Mr. Juneau and unanimously approved by the Board.

2. **Bayou Vista Truck Plaza & Casino, LLC d/b/a Bayou Vista Truck Place & Casino – No. 5100511651**
3. **Houma Truck Plaza & Casino, LLC d/b/a Pelican Palace Casino – No. 501511337**
4. **Lucky Magnolia Truck Stop & Casino, LLC d/b/a Lucky Magnolia Casino – No. 4600511567**
5. **Raceland Truck Plaza & Casino, LLC d/b/a Raceland Casino – No. 2900512137**

6. **Jalou Eunice, LLC d/b/a Cash Magic Eunice – No. 4900514311**
7. **Jalou Breaux Bridge, LLC d/b/a Cash Magic Breaux Bridge – No. 5000514139**
8. **Jalou of Jefferson, LLC d/b/a Cash Magic Westbank Casino – No. 2600514473**
9. **Jalou of St. Martin, LLC d/b/a Vegas Style Casino – No. 5000513043**
10. **Cash Magic Vinton, LLC d/b/a Cash Magic Vinton – No. 1000513267**
11. **Jalou Diamond, LLC d/b/a Vegas Style Casino North – No. 5000513263**
12. **Cash Magic Shreveport, LLC d/b/a Cash Magic Shreveport – No. 0904515201**
13. **Cash Magic Larose, LLC d/b/a Cash Magic Larose – No. 2900514756**
14. **Cash Magic Texas Pelican, LLC d/b/a Cash Magic Texas Pelican – No. 1000514911**
15. **Cash Magic St. Helena, LLC d/b/a Cash Magic St. Helena – No. 4600514932**
16. **Cash Magic Lake Charles, LLC d/b/a Cash Magic Lake Charles – No. 1000501777**
17. **Jace, LLC d/b/a Colonel’s Truck Plaza and Casino – No. 5500511812**
18. **Cash Magic Winner’s Choice, LLC d/b/a Cash Magic Winner’s Choice – No. 1002503597**
19. **Jalou Fox, LLC d/b/a St. Helena Grocery and Casino – No. 4600514760**
20. **Jalou Forest Gold, LLC d/b/a Forest Gold Truck Plaza and Casino – No. 4600514933**
21. **Jalou Amite, LLC d/b/a Amite Truck Plaza Casino – No. 4600514957**
22. **Cash Magic Springhill, LLC d/b/a Cash Magic Springhill – No. 6003515055**
23. **Cash Magic Vivian, LLC d/b/a Cash Magic Vivian – No. 0900515050**
24. **Cash’s Casino, Inc. d/b/a Cash’s Truck Plaza – No. 6100510648**

The next item dealt with the Surrender of License No. R01165000896 PNK (SCB) d/b/a Sugarcane Bay, and cancellation by Pinnacle of the Sugarcane Bay Project in Lake Charles.

Representatives of Pinnacle Entertainment Inc., Mr. Anthony Sanfilippo, CEO and President, and Mr. Cliff Kortman, Executive Vice President of Construction, were sworn in. Mr. Sanifilippo, Mr. Kortman, and Mr. Larry Orlansky, Counsel, addressed the Board with reference to the letter from Mr. Sanfilippo on April 14th, stating Pinnacle had decided to cancel the Sugarcane Bay project. Mr. Sanfilippo stated it was devastating times in the casino industry and consumer spending was not supporting the gaming industry because of the recession.

Chairman Morgan questioned Mr. Sanfilippo about Pinnacle's sudden decision to cancel the Lake Charles project and the reasoning behind such a decision. Mr. Sanfilippo stated there was a new Chairman of the Board. Other board members questioned Pinnacle about their finances and their intentions concerning the Baton Rouge project.

Mr. Sanfilippo stated Pinnacle remained committed to and was moving forward with the Baton Rouge project.

The next item for consideration was approval of the construction contract for the PNK-Baton Rouge project and authorization to proceed on the approved project. The Board also placed an additional condition on the Baton Rouge project requiring Pinnacle to escrow twenty-five (\$25) million dollars in a board approved escrow account.

Mr. Jonathon Wagner, Asst. Attorney General in the Gaming Division addressed the Board with reference to the following rules:

1. Adoption of amendments to LAC 42:VII.2707, 2715, 2713; LAC 42:IX.2707, 2715, 2717, 2723; & LAC 42:XIII.2707, 2717, 2723 (Accounting Regulations) – Motion by Major Mercer to adopt the amendments to the above stated rule. That motion was seconded by Mr. Jones and unanimously approved by the Board.
2. Institution of rule-making procedures to amend LAC 42:XI.2403, 2405, 2407 & 2415 (Definitions, Application and License, Operation of Video Draw Poker Devices and Gaming Establishments) - Motion by Mr. Jones to institute the rulemaking procedures to amend the above stated rules. That motion was seconded by Mr. Berthelot and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board acted on Proposed Settlements from Hearing Officers' decisions in the following:

1. **In Re: Renata T. Woods d/b/a L & R Bar and Lounge – No. 3601115609 –**
2. **In Re: Petit Coin De Plasir, Inc. d/b/a E & J's Bar and Lounge – No. 2605114777**
The above two cases were handled in globo because they dealt with the same issue. It was moved by Mr. Juneau to approve the \$500 penalty for failure to attend the required compulsive gambling training session. That motion was seconded by Mr. Jones and unanimously approved by the Board.

3. **In Re: John Silvy, Jr. d/b/a Brothers Three – No. 360110369** - Motion by Mr. Stipe to approve the \$1,000 penalty for failure to timely provide required information regarding two arrests. That motion was seconded by Mr. Berthelot and unanimously approved by the Board.
4. **In Re: Deloris Adams d/b/a Big Time Tips Bar & Lounge – No. 3601107572** - Motion by Mr. Juneau to approve the \$500 penalty for failure to attend the required compulsive gambling training session. That motion was seconded by Ms. Rogers and unanimously approved by the Board.
5. **In Re: Minnows, LLC d/b/a Lucky Dollar Casino – No. 5000512212B** – Motion by Mr. Stipe to approve the \$2,250 penalty for failure to timely provide required information regarding transfers of membership interest, and change of office location. That motion was seconded by Mr. Berthelot and unanimously approved by the Board.
6. **In Re: T & D Ventures, LLC d/b/a Lucky Dollar Casino – No. 4701512880C** – Motion by Mr. Juneau to approve the \$3,000 penalty for failure to timely provide required information regarding transfers of ownership interests, sale of interests, and changes to revenue recipient owners. That motion was seconded by Mr. Jones and unanimously approved by the Board.
7. **In Re: Little Deuces, Inc. d/b/a Little Deuces – No. 5302605379A** – Motion by Major Mercer to approve the \$3,250 penalty for failure to timely provide required information regarding changes in ownership, officers and directors, information regarding summons, arrests, and a protective order, and information regarding changes in marital status. That motion was seconded by Ms. Rogers and unanimously approved by the Board.
8. **In Re: Horseshoe Entertainment, L.P. d/b/a Horseshoe Casino – No. R010800198** - Motion by Mr. Juneau to approve the \$55,000 penalty for failure to comply with its Compulsive and Problem Gambling Program by allowing a self-excluded person on the gaming floor, by not detecting a self-excluded person on the gaming floor, and by employees not accessing the self-excluded list when completing credit card cash advances for the self-excluded person.

There being no public comments, it was moved by Mr. Juneau to adjourn the meeting. That motion was seconded by Major Mercer and unanimously approved by the Board.

The meeting was adjourned.

