

LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD*Minutes of September 15, 2022*

The meeting of the Louisiana Gaming Control Board convened on Thursday, September 15, 2022, 10:00 a.m., at the Louisiana State Capitol – House Committee Room 1. Present at the meeting were Chairman Ronnie Johns, Julie Berry, Claude Jackson, O. Lamar Poole, Jr., Julie Lewis, Franchesca Hamilton-Acker, and Ronald Sholes. Absent were Harry Avant and ex-officio members Col. Lamar Davis and Secretary Kevin Richard.

Chairman Johns called the meeting to order. It was moved by Ms. Berry to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the meeting of August 22, 2022. That motion was seconded by Mr. Poole and unanimously approved by the Board.

Donna Jackson, Louisiana State Police Gaming Audit Section, provided revenue reports for the riverboats, slots at the racetracks, and landbased casino. She also reported on the video poker statistics, sports wagering, mobile wagering, and fantasy sports revenue.

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. After presentation by Lakiesha James, Assistant Attorney General (“AAG”), Louisiana Attorney General’s Gaming Division, and Mariah Reed, Naval Architect/Inspector, American Vessel Services (AVS), it was moved by Ms. Hamilton-Acker to approve the Temporary 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, with an expiration date of October 31, 2022. That motion was seconded by Mr. Poole and unanimously approved by the Board.

Next, the Board considered the Petition for Approval of Relocation of Gaming Operations and for a Modification of License Conditions by Catfish Queen, LLC d/b/a Belle of Baton Rouge – No. R011700009. After presentation by Lisha Landry, AAG, Louisiana Attorney General’s Gaming Division; Tammy Haupt, Louisiana State Police, Gaming Audit Section; Jeff Barbin, Phelps Dunbar, Counsel for Casino Queen; Terry Downey, CEO of Casino Queen; Bruce Woods, General Manager of Belle of Baton Rouge; and Stacey Stagg, VP of Non-Gaming Operations for Casino Queen, it was moved by Mr. Poole to adopt the Resolution for Approval of Relocation of Gaming Operations and for a Modification of License Conditions by Catfish Queen, LLC d/b/a Belle of Baton Rouge – No. R011700009. That motion was seconded by Ms. Berry and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board then considered the Notice of Debt Offering by Catfish Queen, LLC d/b/a Belle of Baton Rouge and Louisiana Casino Cruises, LLC d/b/a Hollywood Casino and CQ Holding Company, Inc. After presentation by Lisha Landry, AAG, Louisiana Attorney General’s Gaming Division; Donna Jackson, Louisiana State Police, Gaming Audit Section; and Jeff Barbin, Phelps Dunbar, Counsel for Casino Queen, it was moved by Ms. Hamilton-Acker to adopt the resolution for the Notice of Debt Offering by Catfish Queen, LLC d/b/a Belle of Baton Rouge and Louisiana Casino Cruises, LLC d/b/a Hollywood Casino and CQ Holding Company, Inc. That motion was seconded by Ms. Traylor and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board considered the following truckstop applications:

- A. Consideration of approval of the truckstop application of Royal Palace Investments, LLC d/b/a Palace Truck Stop & Casino – No. 3601518053. After presentation by Earl Pitre,

Jr., AAG, LA Attorney General's Gaming Division and Investigator William Landry, LA State Police, Gaming Enforcement Division, a motion by Mr. Sholes to approve the application and issue the license. That motion was seconded by Ms. Berry and unanimously approved by the Board.

- B. Consideration of approval of the truckstop application of Tallulah Travel Plaza, LLC d/b/a Tallulah Travel Plaza – No. 3300518133. After presentation by Alonna Murray-Brown, AAG, and Investigator William Landry, LA State Police, Gaming Enforcement Division, a motion by Ms. Lewis to approve the application and issue the license. That motion was seconded by Mr. Jackson and unanimously approved by the Board.

Next, the Board considered the Approval of the Sports Wagering License Application for Louisiana Casino Cruises, LLC d/b/a Hollywood Casino Baton Rouge – No. W011703482. After presentation by Jeremy Gathe, AAG, LA Attorney General's Gaming Division; Tammy Haupt, LA State Police Gaming Audit Section; and Investigator Rodney Perkins, LA State Police, Gaming Enforcement Division, it was moved by Mr. Jackson to adopt the resolution to approve the application and issue the permit. That motion was seconded by Ms. Berry and unanimously approved by the Board.

The final item on the agenda was the Consideration for the Approval of the following Sports Wagering Platform Provider Permit Application for Rush Street Interactive d/b/a BetRivers – No. B016503491. After presentation by Shanna Sizemore, AAG, LA Attorney General's Gaming Division; Tammy Haupt, LA State Police, Gaming Audit Section; Investigator Michael Daniel, LA State Police, Gaming Enforcement Division; and Laura McCallister Cox, Chief Compliance Officer of Rush Street Interactive d/b/a BetRivers, it was moved by Ms. Traylor to adopt the resolution to approve the application and issue the permit. That motion was seconded by Mr. Jackson and unanimously approved by the Board.

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