

LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD

Minutes of May 18, 2010

The Louisiana Gaming Control Board conducted a meeting on Tuesday, May 18, 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 announced the Gaming Control Board would be relocating the office effective June 28, 2010 to 4307 A, Bluebonnet Blvd., Baton Rouge, LA 70809.

It was moved by Mr. Singleton to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the April meeting. That motion was seconded by Mr. Bradford and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Collin Gros, State Police Gaming Audit Division, presented revenue reports for the riverboats, landbased casino and slots at the track. Mr. Jim Bossier, also with the Gaming Audit Division, presented the statistics for video poker.

The Board acted on the five-year renewal of the riverboat gaming license of Louisiana Casino Cruises, Inc. d/b/a Hollywood Casino Baton Rouge – No. R011700193. Following discussion, it was moved by Mr. Bradford to approve the five-year renewal of the license. That motion was seconded by Mr. Singleton and unanimously approved by the Board.

There was a request by Grand Palais Casino for approval of reconfiguration of gaming space. Following discussion, it was moved by Ms. Rogers to approve the reconfiguration of gaming space. That motion was seconded by Major Mercer and unanimously approved by the Board.

There was a request by Delta Downs Racino for approval of reconfiguration of gaming space. Following discussion, it was moved by Mr. Bradford to approve the reconfiguration of gaming space. That motion was seconded by Mr. Singleton and unanimously approved by the Board.

The next item was consideration of the Certificate of Compliance for the Alternate Inspection Program for PNK-Bossier. Following discussion, it was moved by Mr. Bradford to approve the Certificate of Compliance for PNK-Bossier City Casino. That motion was seconded by Ms. Rogers and unanimously approved by the Board.

The next item was consideration of the Certificate of Compliance for the Alternate Inspection Program for Treasure Chest Casino. Following discussion, it was moved by Major

Mercer to approve the Certificate of Compliance for Treasure Chest Casino. That motion was seconded by Mr. Bradford and unanimously approved by the Board.

The next item dealt with consideration of the renewal of the Certificate of Compliance for the Alternate Inspection Program for L'Auberge du Lac Casino. Following discussion concerning certain criteria of the inspection and Chairman Morgan's decision to meet with ABS to discuss the inspection criteria, it was moved by Mr. Stipe to approve the renewal of the Certificate of Compliance for L'Auberge du Lac. That motion was seconded by Mr. Bradford. Ms. Rogers moved for a substitute motion to approve the certificate for 30 days but later recalled her motion. The original motion to approve the Certificate of Compliance for one year passed by a vote of eight to one. Voting against the motion was Mr. Singleton.

Mr. Leonce Gautreaux, Deputy Director of the Attorney General's Gaming Division, discussed the application procedures for the available riverboat gaming license. He discussed licensing requirements, local option election, economic aspect, disclosure of ownership, feasibility study and timelines. He stated that an investigation would begin only if an application was complete. He also stated that the Board was not mandated to issue the license because the statute stated up to fifteen licenses.

It was moved by Mr. Bradford that the Board issue a Public Notice in reference to a Declaration of Interest in the available Riverboat License. That motion was seconded by Mr. Singleton and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board acted on truckstop applications in the following:

1. **Spanish Lake Truck & Casino Plaza, LLC d/b/a Spanish Lake Truck & Casino Plaza –No. 5000514417** – Motion by Ms. Rogers to approve the transfer of interest. That motion was seconded by Mr. Juneau and unanimously approved by the Board.

Numbers two through five were handled in globo because they dealt with the same owner. It was moved by Major Mercer to approve the transfers of interest. That motion was seconded by Mr. Juneau and unanimously approved by the Board.

2. **TA Operating, LLC d/b/a TravelCenters of America – Egan – No. 0100515849 -**
3. **TA Operating, LLC d/b/a TravelCenters of America - Greenwood – No. 0906515551**
4. **TA Operating, LLC d/b/a TravelCenters of America - Shreveport –No. 0904515852**
5. **TA Operating, LLC d/b/a TravelCenters of America – Tallulah – No. 3301515851**
6. **River Port Truck Stop, LLC d/b/a River Port Casino – No. 6100511383 – No. 6100511383** – Motion by Mr. Bradford to approve the transfer of interest. That motion was seconded by Ms. Rogers and unanimously approved by the Board.

The next item dealt with adoption of amendments to LAC 42:III.2521, 2522, 2523, 2524, 2525, 2526; LAC 42:VII.2521, 2523, 2524, LAC 42:IX.2521, 2522, 2523, 2524; LAC 42:XIII.2521, 2523 & 2524 (Transfers of Interest; Loans and Restrictions). It was moved by Mr. Bradford to approve the adoption of amendments to the above stated rules. That motion was seconded by Mr. Juneau and unanimously approved by the Board.

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

1. **In Re: The Old Evangeline Downs, LLC d/b/a Evangeline Downs Racetrack and Casino – Nos. SAR 08-2-54-069-1949, SAR 09-2-54-085-1835, SAR 09-2-54-141-2967** – Motion by Mr. Juneau to approve the \$120,000 penalty for numerous violations in procedures regarding the drop and count inspection, unauthorized personnel for soft-drop count, key box, money handling and till counts. The motion was seconded by Major Mercer and unanimously approved by the Board.

Numbers two through four were handled in globo because the dealt with the same owner. It was moved by Mr. Bradford to approve the \$500 penalty for each license due to the failure to timely provide information regarding an arrest. That motion was seconded by Mr. Juneau and unanimously approved by the Board.

2. **In Re: Copeland's of New Orleans, Inc. d/b/a Copeland's of N.O. #4 – No. 2600201988**
3. **In Re: Copeland's of New Orleans, Inc. d/b/a Copeland's of N.O. #20 – No. 0904212623**
4. **In Re: Gulf Ventures Associates d/b/a Landmark Hotel Metairie – No. 2600301978**
5. **In Re: Baron Oil Truck Stop, LLC d/b/a Bayou Casino – No. 2900514867** – Motion by Mr. Stipe to approve the \$500 penalty for failure to comply with statutory security measures for establishments with more than 20 devices. That motion was seconded by Mr. Singleton and unanimously approved by the Board.
6. **In Re: TAG Businesses, LLC d/b/a Perfect Fit Bar & Grill – No. 3601215606** – Motion by Mr. Stipe to approve the \$500 penalty for failure to timely submit annual license form, fee and tax clearance certificates. That motion was seconded by Mr. Berthelot and unanimously approved by the Board.
7. **In Re: Robert E. Rompon – No. P020053164** – Motion by Major Mercer to approve the \$250 penalty for failure to timely provide information regard a summons. That motion was seconded by Mr. Bradford and unanimously approved by the Board.
8. **In Re: Darryl K. Labeaud – No. P040036842** – Motion by Mr. Juneau to approve the \$250 Penalty for failure to timely provide information regarding an

arrest. That motion was seconded by Mr. Singleton and unanimously approved by the Board.

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

The meeting was adjourned.