

## LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD

### Minutes of September 15, 2011

The Louisiana Gaming Control Board conducted a meeting on Thursday, August 18, 2011, 10:00 a.m. in House Committee Room 1 of the Louisiana State Capitol. Present at the meeting were: Dane Morgan, Chairman; Velma Rogers, Ayres Bradford, Mark Stipe, James Singleton and Denise Noonan. Absent was board member Robert Jones, and ex-officio members Col. Mike Edmonson and Sec. Cynthia Bridges.

The meeting was called to order. There being no public comments, it was moved by Mr. Singleton to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the August meeting. That motion was seconded by Ms. Rogers and unanimously approved by the Board.

Ms. Donna Jackson, State Police Gaming Audit Division, presented revenue reports for the riverboats, landbased casino, slots at the track, video poker, and employment numbers for the landbased casino.

Ms. Mesa Brown, Asst. Attorney General in the Gaming Division, reported on the Second Quarter of 2011 Compliance Reports for the casinos and slots at the track.

The Board acted on a petition by PNK (Baton Rouge) for modification of Condition 15 (c) to extend the completion of construction. Mr. Anthony Sanfilippo, CEO of Pinnacle Entertainment, Inc., Mickey Parenton, General Manager of PNK (Baton Rouge) and Jack Godfrey, General Counsel of PNK addressed the Board with reference to this item. Mr. Parenton provided an update on the project.

Following discussion, it was moved by Chairman Morgan to approve the petition extending PNK's deadline to complete construction until July 31, 2012. That motion was seconded by Mr. Bradford and was unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board acted on the Certificate of Compliance for the Alternate Riverboat Inspection of the gaming vessel of Louisiana Casino Cruises, Inc. d/b/a Hollywood Casino, License No. R011700193. Following discussion, it was moved by Mr. Singleton to except the report and approve the renewal of the Certificate of Compliance. That motion was seconded by Ms. Noonan and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board acted on the Certificate of Compliance for the Alternate Riverboat Inspection of the gaming vessel of Louisiana-1 Gaming L.P. d/b/a Boomtown Harvey, License No. R012600196. Following discussion, it was moved by Mr. Singleton to except the report and approve the renewal of the Certificate of Compliance.

The Board acted on a petition by Louisiana Riverboat Gaming Partnership d/b/a DiamondJacks Casino and Resort, License No. R010800195 to amend the license conditions of DiamondJacks Casino and Resort. Following discussion, it was moved by Ms. Rogers to amend the number of employees from 770 to 650. That motion was second by Ms. Noonan and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board acted on a petition by Eldorado Casino Shreveport Joint Venture d/b/a Eldorado Resort Casino Shreveport, License No. R013600005 to amend the license conditions of Eldorado Resort Casino Shreveport. Following discussion, it was moved by Mr. Bradford to amend the number of employees from 1500 to 1200. That motion was seconded by Mr. Singleton and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board acted on the following truckstop applications:

1. **Cane Row Casino, L.L.C. d/b/a Cane Row Casino – No. 0400516345** – Motion by Mr. Bradford to approve the application. The motion failed due to the lack of a second. There was an alternate motion by the Chairman to continue this matter and request further investigation by State Police. That motion was seconded by Mr. Bradford and unanimously approved by the Board.
2. **Longwood Holdings, LLC d/b/a Longwood General Store & Truckstop – No. 0900516375** - Motion by Mr. Bradford to approve the application. That motion was seconded by Ms. Noonan and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board acted on a petition for Declaratory Ruling filed by Wayne A. Collier for interpretation of La. R.S. 27:306(C)(5). Following discussion, it was moved by Chairman Morgan to adopt the proposed ruling. That motion was seconded by Mr. Bradford and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board on Proposed Settlements/Appeals in the following:

1. **In Re: Demetrius W. Jackson – No. P040039245** – Motion by Ms. Noonan to approve the \$250 penalty for failure to remain eligible for tax clearances. That motion was seconded by Mr. Singleton and unanimously approved by the Board.
2. **In Re: Donnell A. Bonnee’ – No. P040057744** – Motion by Mr. Stipe to reverse the decision of the hearing officer due to failure of applicant to disclose his criminal history. That motion was seconded by Ms. Noonan and approved by a vote of four to two. Voting for the motion was: Ms. Rogers, Mr. Stipe, Ms. Noonan and Chairman Morgan. Voting against the motion was: Mr. Bradford and Mr. Singleton.
3. **In Re: S. Ross Enterprises, LLC d/b/a The Suite – No. 3601215834** – Motion by Mr. Bradford to affirm in part and reverse in part. The \$500 penalty for

failure to attend the mandatory compulsive gambling training class assessed by the hearing officer was affirmed. The \$250 penalty assessed by the hearing officer for failure of licensee to update their mailing address was reversed. That motion was seconded by Ms. Rogers and unanimously approved by the Board.

There was a motion by Mr. Stipe to go into Executive Sessions to discuss pending Board litigation. That motion was seconded by Mr. Bradford and unanimously approved.

Following the Executive Session, the Board returned to the Regular Session.

It was moved by Mr. Singleton to adjourn the meeting. That motion was seconded by Ms. Noonan and was unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned.