

LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD

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Minutes of November 16, 1999

The Louisiana Gaming Control Board held a meeting on Tuesday, November 16th, 1999, 10:00 a.m., in House Committee Room 5. Present at this meeting were Hillary J. Crain, Chairman; Robert M. Fleming, Vice-Chairman, James Boyer, Gen. Sherian Cadoria, Dudley Lastrapes, Marcia Morgan, Rupert Richardson, and ex-officio member Col. W.R. "Rut" Whittington. Absent were board members Ralph Perlman, Ecotry Fuller, and ex-officio member Sec. Brad Crawford.

The Chairman called the meeting to order. It was moved by Mr. Lastrapes to approve the minutes of the October meeting. That motion was seconded by Mr. Boyer and unanimously approved by the Board.

Ms. Charlotte McGarr, auditor with state police Land Based Division, presented the revenue figures for Jazz Casino Corporation. Mr. Lonnie Parker, auditor in the Riverboat Division, presented the monthly revenue reports in riverboat gaming. Ms. Janice Adolph, auditor with the Video Division, presented the statistics in video poker, and Hugh McKnight, auditor in the Indian Gaming Division of state police presented the quarterly figures on the Indian Casinos.

The Chairman called upon Sgt. Buzzy Trahan, Riverboat Gaming, to announce the applicants who had applied for the 15th Riverboat License. Sgt. Trahan stated that 3 applicants had applied as of the Board Meeting on November 16, 1999. Those were Hollywood Park, Isle of Capri and Horseshoe.

The Chairman stated that applications postmarked by November 15th, would still be accepted.

Ms. Melinda Tucker, Asst. Attorney General in the Land Based Division, presented a hotel contract to the Board between the Sheraton New Orleans and Jazz Casino Corporation.

Lt. George Dean, Supervisor of the state police Land Based Division, presented an update on the opening of Jazz Casino Corporation. He stated he had 19 troopers and 4 sergeants assigned to his division.

Next on the agenda was the Petition of Mike Rider for a Declaratory Ruling with reference to a proposed truck stop location. Following the discussion, it was moved by Mr. Lastrapes, seconded by Ms. Richardson, and unanimously approved by the Board that the proposed truck stop facility was to be measured using R.S. 27:306(C)(2)(c) and the starting point of measurement would be the school property.

The next item was an application on behalf of Sunshine Superstop Truck Stop. Following that presentation, Mr. Boyer moved to license the truck stop. That motion was seconded by Vice-

Chairman Fleming and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Chairman called on Lt. Stanley Griffin, Supervisor in the Video Gaming Division, and Sgt. Alton Martin, also in the Video Gaming Division, to discuss setting up a training program for compulsive gamblers. Sgt. Martin stated he had been working with Mr. Reece Middleton, Executive Director with the Louisiana Association of Compulsive Gaming in Louisiana. They stated it would cost approximately \$194,235 to set up a training program for the State of Louisiana. The Board deferred action until possible funding sources could be explored.

There was a request from the Casino Association of Louisiana for a public hearing on proposed rules LAC 42:III. 119 and 120, Reciprocity, Application and Reporting, and LAC 42:XIII.1701, 2108, 2325 and 2331, Definitions, Nongaming Supplier Permits, Supplier Permit Criteria and Imposition of Sanctions.

Following discussion on these rules, the Board went forward with rules LAC 42:III 119 and 120, and deferred action on LAC 42:XIII.1701, 2108, 2325 and 2331.

The Board also scheduled a public hearing for the December meeting with reference to rule LAC 42:XI.2415 D, Structural requirements for licensed establishments.

Gen. Cadoria made a motion to institute the rule-making procedures for proposed rules LAC 42:VII.1701 et seq., Pari-mutuel Live Racing Facility Slot Machine Gaming. That motion was seconded by Mr. Boyer and unanimously approved by the Board.

On motion by Ms. Morgan, seconded by Ms. Richardson, the Board unanimously approved the republication of LAC 42:XIII.2701, Riverboat Accounting Regulations, because of an error in the first publication.

It was moved by Gen. Cadoria, seconded by Vice-Chairman Fleming, and unanimously approved by the Board to amend the agenda to add two cases for discussion in the Executive Session, "*Winners Choice v. La. Gaming Control Board*" and "*Gary Doucet v. La. Gaming Control Board*."

Vice-Chairman Fleming made a motion to go into Executive Session. That motion was seconded by Ms. Richardson and unanimously approved by the Board.

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

The Board acted upon appeals/settlements in the following cases:

1. In Re: Belle of Orleans, L.L.C. (Bally's) - Motion by Vice-Chairman Fleming to remand to Hearing Officer. That motion was seconded by Gen. Cadoria and unanimously approved by the Board.
2. In Re: Pelican Produce - Motion by Mr. Boyer to affirm the decision of the Hearing Officer. That motion was seconded by Mr. Lastrapes and unanimously approved by the Board.

3. In Re: Anna's Pies - Motion by Mr. Lastrapes to grant the license. That motion was seconded by Gen. Cadoria and unanimously approved by the Board.
4. In Re: Auto-Chlor Services - Motion by Mr. Lastrapes to approve the settlement. That motion was seconded by Gen. Cadoria and unanimously approved by the Board.
5. In Re: Belle of Orleans - (Bally's) - Deferred
6. In Re: Louisiana-1 Gaming (Boomtown) - Motion by Mr. Boyer to approve the settlement. That motion was seconded by Gen. Cadoria and unanimously approved by the Board.
7. In Re: Smith Photographic Services, Inc. - Motion by Ms. Morgan to remand back to the Hearing Officer. That motion was seconded by Ms. Richardson and unanimously approved by the Board.
8. In Re: Products Unlimited - Motion by Ms. Richardson to remand back to the Hearing Officer. That motion was seconded by Mr. Boyer and unanimously approved by the Board.

Public Comments were received from Mr. Norm Gobert with reference to women-owned and minority-owned businesses.

There being no further comments, it was moved by Vice-Chairman Fleming to adjourn. That motion was seconded by Gen. Cadoria and unanimously approved by the Board.

The meeting was then adjourned.