

LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD

Minutes October 17, 2024

The meeting of the Louisiana Gaming Control Board (the “Board”) convened on Thursday, October 17, 2024, 10:00 a.m., at the Louisiana State Capitol – House Committee Room 6. Present at the meeting were Chairman Christopher Hebert, Kathryn Becnel, Claude Jackson, Nicholas Langley, Lamar Poole, Franchesca Hamilton-Acker, and Ashley Traylor. Maj. Adam Albright was present for Col. Robert Hodges and Jarrod Coniglio was present for Sec. Richard Nelson. Absent were Julie Lewis, Ronald Sholes and ex officio members Col. Hodges and Sec. Nelson.

Chairman Hebert called the meeting to order, thanked former Vice-Chair Julie Berry for her years of service to the Board, and introduced the Board’s new member, Nicholas Langley.

It was moved by Ms. Becnel to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the September 19, 2024 meeting. That motion was seconded by Ms. Hamilton-Acker and unanimously approved by the Board.

Donna Jackson, Louisiana State Police (“LSP”) Gaming Audit Section, provided revenue reports for the riverboats, slots at the racetracks, and land-based casino. She also reported on video poker, retail and mobile sports wagering, and daily fantasy sports contest revenue.

The Board considered the Certificate of Compliance for the Alternate Riverboat Inspection of the gaming vessel for Louisiana-I Gaming, a Louisiana Partnership in Commendam d/b/a Boomtown New Orleans – No. R012600196. After presentation by Billy Taylor on behalf of American Vessel Services, LLC (“AVS”) and Kanick Lewis, Assistant Attorney General, it was moved by Ms. Traylor to approve the issuance of an annual certificate of compliance. That motion was seconded by Mr. Poole and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board considered the Petition for Approval of Shared Services Agreement and Operating Agreement for Louisiana Riverboat Gaming Company, LLC d/b/a Live! Casino & Hotel Louisiana – No. R010800195. After presentation by Talibah McIntyre, Assistant Attorney General; Tammy Haupt, LSP Gaming Audit Section; and Criminal Investigator Rodney Perkins, LSP Gaming

Enforcement Division, it was moved by Mr. Jackson to approve the resolution. That motion was seconded by Ms. Becnel and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board next considered the renewal application for the riverboat gaming license of Louisiana Riverboat Gaming Company, LLC d/b/a Live! Casino & Hotel Louisiana – No. R010800195. Present on behalf of the Licensee were Attorney Jeff Barbin; Mark Stewart, EVP and General Counsel for the Cordish Companies; John Chaszar, General Manager of Live!; and Rob Norton, President of Cordish Gaming. After presentation by Talibah McIntyre, Assistant Attorney General; Tammy Haupt, LSP Gaming Audit Section; and Criminal Investigator Rodney Perkins, LSP Gaming Enforcement Division, it was moved by Mr. Jackson to approve the five-year renewal of the riverboat gaming license. That motion was seconded by Ms. Traylor and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board considered the renewal application for the riverboat gaming license of PNK (Bossier City), LLC d/b/a Boomtown Bossier City – No. R016500701. Present on behalf of the Licensee were Dan Ihm, Vice-President and General Manager for Margaritaville and Boomtown casinos, and Mike Gallagher, Assistant General Manager. After presentation by Quintele Jackson, Assistant Attorney General; Lisa Hotard, LSP Gaming Audit Section; and Master Trooper Brian Jefferson, LSP Gaming Enforcement Division, it was moved by Mr. Poole to approve the five-year renewal of the riverboat gaming license. That motion was seconded by Mr. Langley and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board considered the renewal application for the riverboat gaming license of Horseshoe Entertainment, Limited Partnership d/b/a Horseshoe Bossier City – No. R010800198. Present on behalf of the Licensee were Attorney Jeff Barbin and Robert Urland, Senior Vice-President for Caesars Entertainment and Regional President of Caesars Operations in the South. After presentation by Cathryn Gits, Assistant Attorney General; Lisa Hotard, LSP Gaming Audit Section; and Criminal Investigator Rodney Perkins, LSP Gaming Enforcement Division, it was moved by Ms. Hamilton-Acker to approve the five-year renewal of the riverboat gaming license. That motion was seconded by Ms. Becnel and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board next considered the original truck stop application for 3Aces Holdings, LLC d/b/a Golden Tiger Casino – No. 1000518379. After presentation by Shanna Sizemore, Assistant Attorney General, and Investigator William Landry, LSP Gaming Enforcement Division, it was moved by Mr. Poole to approve the new

truck stop application. That motion was seconded by Ms. Becnel and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board considered the original truck stop application for S&I Investment, LLC d/b/a Ace in the Hole – No. 0906518241. After presentation by Quintele Jackson, Assistant Attorney General, and Master Trooper James Cannon, LSP Gaming Enforcement Division, it was moved by Ms. Traylor to approve the new truck stop application. That motion was seconded by Mr. Jackson and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board considered the original truck stop application for Pelican Gaming Inc. d/b/a Lucky Jacks – Shreveport – No. 0904518449. After presentation by Shanna Sizemore, Assistant Attorney General, and Investigator William Landry, LSP Gaming Enforcement Division, it was moved by Ms. Becnel to approve the new truck stop application. That motion was seconded by Mr. Langley and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board considered the original truck stop application for Pelican Gaming Inc. d/b/a Lucky Jacks – Crowley – No. 0100518448. After presentation by Shanna Sizemore, Assistant Attorney General, and Investigator William Landry, LSP Gaming Enforcement Division, it was moved by Ms. Traylor to approve the new truck stop application. That motion was seconded by Mr. Jackson and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board considered the original truck stop application for Pelican Gaming Inc. d/b/a Lucky Jacks – Greenwood – No. 0906518447. After presentation by Shanna Sizemore, Assistant Attorney General, and Master Trooper James Cannon, LSP Gaming Enforcement Division, it was moved by Mr. Langley to approve the new truck stop application. That motion was seconded by Ms. Becnel and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board considered the original truck stop application for Pelican Gaming Inc. d/b/a Lucky Jacks – Tallulah – No. 3301518446. After presentation by Shanna Sizemore, Assistant Attorney General, and Master Trooper James Cannon, LSP Gaming Enforcement Division, it was moved by Mr. Jackson to approve the new truck stop application. That motion was seconded by Mr. Poole and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board then considered the transfer of interest for American Wagering, Inc. d/b/a Caesars Sportsbook – No. B016503431. After presentation by Quintele

Jackson, Assistant Attorney General, and Master Trooper Brian Jefferson, LSP Gaming Enforcement Division, it was moved by Mr. Jackson to approve the transfer of interest in the Permittee. That motion was seconded by Ms. Becnel and unanimously approved by the Board.

Lastly, the Board considered the appeal of Mona L. Hunter – No. P040031174. After presentation by Permittee Mona L. Hunter and Talibah McIntyre, Assistant Attorney General, Ms. Hamilton-Acker moved to remand the matter back to the Hearing Officer for consideration of new evidence. That motion was seconded by Mr. Jackson. There being no opposition, the matter was remanded.

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