

LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD

Minutes of October 19, 2023

The meeting of the Louisiana Gaming Control Board convened on Thursday, October 19, 2023, 10:00 a.m., at the Louisiana State Capitol – House Committee Room 5. Present at the meeting were Chairman Ronnie Johns, Julie Berry, Claude Jackson, Julie Lewis, Lamar Poole, Franchesca Hamilton-Acker, Ronald Sholes, Ashley Traylor, and ex-officio member Secretary Kevin Richard. Major Chuck McNeal was present for Col. Lamar Davis. Absent was board member Harry Avant, and ex-officio member Col. Lamar Davis

Chairman Johns called for a Motion to Amend the agenda to add the Petition for extension of Deadline to File Construction contract for Catfish Queen, LLC d/b/a Belle of Baton Rouge No. R011700009. Chairman Johns asked if there are any public comments on this motion, there being none, it was moved by Mr. Poole to approve the motion. That motion was seconded by Ms. Berry, and unanimously approved by the Board.

Chairman Johns called the meeting to order. It was moved by Mr. Jackson to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the meeting of September 21, 2023. That motion was seconded by Ms. Lewis 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 landbased casino. She also reported on the video poker statistics, sports wagering, mobile wagering, and fantasy sports revenue.

The Board considered the Temporary Certificate of Compliance for the Alternate Riverboat Inspection of the gaming vessel of Louisiana I Gaming, A Partnership in Commendam d/b/a Boomtown New Orleans No. R012600196. Present was Moriah Reed for AVS, and Kevin Murray, facilities manager. After presentation by Delancey Houston, Assistant Attorney General, it was moved by Mr. Sholes to approve the request. That motion was seconded by Ms. Hamilton- Acker, and unanimously approved by the Board

The Board next considered of Joint Petition of Approval of Transfer of Membership Interest of Louisiana Riverboat Gaming Partnership d/b/a DiamondJacks Casino & Resort No. R010800195. Present was Jeff Barbin,

attorney, Rob Norton, President; Joe Billhimer, COO and Development Officer; and Mark Stewart – EVP and GC for Cordish. After presentation by Lisha Landry, Assistant Attorney General, Tammy Haupt, Audit Supervisor for LSP, and Rodney Perkins, Criminal Investigator for LSP Gaming Enforcement. It was moved by Mr. Jackson to approve the petition. That motion was seconded by Ms. Lewis, and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board next considered of Petition for Extension of time to file contracts of Catfish Queen, LLC d/b/a The Belle of Baton Rouge No.R011700009. Present was Jeff Barbin, attorney and Terry Downey, CEO. It was moved by Ms. Berry to approve the Petition. That motion was seconded by Mr. Poole, and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board then considered the settlement of Betfair Interactive US, LLC d/b/a FanDuel Sportsbook No. B016503481. After presentation by Talibah McIntrye, Assistant Attorney General, Mr. Sholes moved to approve the settlement. That motion was seconded by Ms. Hamilton- Acker and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board next considered the settlement of GFM Inc. d/b/a La Grande Café No. 3601203061. After presentation by Venise Johnson, Assistant Attorney General, Ms. Traylor moved to approve the settlement. That motion was seconded by Ms. Berry and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board next considered the settlement of Trillions Ventures, LLC d/b/a Ivory Nola Lounge No. 2600117848. After presentation by Talibah McIntrye, Assistant Attorney General, Mr. Poole moved to approve the settlement. That motion was seconded by Mr. Sholes and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board next considered the settlement of Ray Griffin, Inc. d/b/a Griffin's Bar No. 2600114264. After presentation by Hafiz Folami, Assistant Attorney General, Mr. Jackson moved to approve the settlement. That motion was seconded by Ms. Hamilton – Acker and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board was advised that a Motion to dismiss the appeal of Nhan Le No. P040046845 was filed on October 17, 2023 and signed on October 18, 2023.

Lastly the Board considered the appeal of Jayante Haywood No. P040077076. After presentation by Delancey Houston, Assistant Attorney General, Ms. Berry moved to uphold the hearing officer's decision. That motion was seconded by Mr. Poole and unanimously approved by the Board.

Janet Miller, LAGC spoke on Compulsive gaming and programs offered in response to questions by Mr. Sholes. She suggested that Dr. Dunham come to a board meeting to speak on programs offered in New Orleans.

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