

LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD*Minutes of May 16, 2022*

The meeting of the Louisiana Gaming Control Board convened on Monday, May 16, 2022, 10:00 a.m., at the LaSalle Building – LaBelle Room. Present at the meeting were Chairman Ronnie Johns, Harry Avant, Julie Berry, Claude Jackson, O. Lamar Poole, Jr., Julie Lewis, and Franchesca Hamilton-Acker. Absent were Ronald Sholes, and ex-officio members Col. Lamar Davis and Secretary Kevin Richard.

Chairman Johns called the meeting to order. It was moved by Ms. Berry to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the meeting of April 18, 2022. That motion was seconded by Mr. Poole 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 Certificate of Compliance for the Alternate Riverboat Inspection of the gaming vessel of Catfish Queen Partnership in Commendam d/b/a Belle of Baton Rouge – No. R011700009. After presentation by Kanick Lewis, Jr., Assistant Attorney General (“AAG”), Louisiana Attorney General’s Gaming Division, and Matt Pitman of American Vessel Services, LLC, it was moved by Mr. Avant to approve Certificate of Compliance, which expires on May 31, 2023. That motion was seconded by Ms. Hamilton-Acker and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board then considered the Certificate of Compliance for the Alternate Riverboat Inspection of the gaming vessel of PNK (Lake Charles), LLC d/b/a L’Auberge Lake Charles – No. R011001707. After presentation by Elroy James, AAG, Louisiana Attorney General’s Gaming Division, and Matt Pitman of American Vessel Services, LLC, it was moved by Ms. Berry to approve Certificate of Compliance, which expires on May 31, 2023. That motion was seconded by Mr. Avant and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board considered the Certificate of Compliance for the Alternate Riverboat Inspection of the gaming vessel of Bossier Casino Venture, LLC d/b/a Margaritaville Resort Casino – No. R011000841. After presentation by Elroy James, AAG, Louisiana Attorney General’s Gaming Division, and Matt Pitman of American Vessel Services, LLC, it was moved by Mr. Jackson to approve Certificate of Compliance, which expires on June 30, 2023. That motion was seconded by Mr. Avant and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board considered the Certificate of Compliance for the Alternate Riverboat Inspection of the gaming vessel of Treasure Chest Casino, LLC d/b/a Treasure Chest Casino – No. R012600098. After presentation by Shana Sizemore, AAG, Louisiana Attorney General’s Gaming Division, and Matt Pitman of American Vessel Services, LLC, it was moved by Ms. Traylor to approve Certificate of Compliance, which expires on May 31, 2023. That motion was seconded by Ms. Lewis and unanimously approved by the Board.

Next, the Board considered the Application of Bally’s Corporation for Shelf Approval. After presentation by Donna Jackson, LSP Gaming Audit Section, it was moved by Mr. Jackson to approve the Shelf Approval. That motion was seconded by Ms. Berry and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board then considered the Petition for Transfer of Membership Interest in Waring Oil Company, LLC d/b/a Interstate Food Stop #7 – No. 3303514450. After presentation by Charlie Picou, AAG, Louisiana Attorney General’s Gaming Division, and Investigator Rodney Perkins, LSP Gaming Enforcement Division, it was moved by Mr. Poole to approve the transfer of interest. That motion was seconded by Mr. Avant and unanimously approved by the Board.

Next, the Board considered the Approval of the following Sports Wagering License Applications:

○ ***Boyd Racing, L.L.C. d/b/a Delta Downs Racetrack Casino and Hotel – No. W011003479***

After presentation by Lakiesha James, AAG, Louisiana Attorney General’s Gaming Division; Tammy Haupt, Louisiana State Police, Gaming Audit Section; Master Trooper Michael Daniel, Louisiana State Police, Gaming Enforcement Division; Janet Boles, Counsel; and Vincent Schwartz, Regional Vice-President of Boyd Gaming, it was moved by Chairman Johns to approve the Sports Wagering License Application for Boyd Racing, L.L.C. d/b/a Delta Downs Racetrack Casino and Hotel. That motion was seconded by Ms. Berry and unanimously approved by the Board.

○ ***The Old Evangeline Downs, L.L.C. d/b/a Evangeline Downs Racetrack & Casino – No. W014903478***

After presentation by Lakiesha James, AAG, Louisiana Attorney General’s Gaming Division; Tammy Haupt, Louisiana State Police, Gaming Audit Section; Master Trooper Michael Daniel, Louisiana State Police, Gaming Enforcement Division; Janet Boles, Counsel; and Vincent Schwartz, Regional Vice-President of Boyd Gaming, it was moved by Ms. Berry to approve the Sports Wagering License Application for The Old Evangeline Downs, L.L.C. d/b/a Evangeline Downs Racetrack & Casino. That motion was seconded by Ms. Hamilton-Acker and unanimously approved by the Board.

○ ***Red River Entertainment of Shreveport, LLC d/b/a Sam’s Town Hotel and Casino – No. W010903480.***

After presentation by Lakiesha James, AAG, Louisiana Attorney General’s Gaming Division; Tammy Haupt, Louisiana State Police, Gaming Audit Section; Master Trooper Michael Daniel, Louisiana State Police, Gaming Enforcement Division; Janet Boles, Counsel; and Vincent Schwartz, Regional Vice-President of Boyd Gaming, it was moved by Mr. Jackson to approve the Sports Wagering License Application for Red River Entertainment of Shreveport, LLC d/b/a Sam’s Town Hotel and Casino. That motion was seconded by Mr. Avant and unanimously approved by the Board.

○ ***Belle of Orleans, LLC d/b/a Amelia Belle Casino – No. W015103477***

After presentation by Alonna Murray-Brown, AAG, Louisiana Attorney General’s Gaming Division; Tammy Haupt, Louisiana State Police, Gaming Audit Section; and Master Trooper Michael Talley, Louisiana State Police, Gaming Enforcement Division, it was moved by Ms. Hamilton-Acker to approve the Sports Wagering License Application for Belle of Orleans, LLC d/b/a Amelia Belle Casino. That motion was seconded by Ms. Berry and unanimously approved by the Board.

○ ***Treasure Chest Casino, LLC d/b/a Treasure Chest Casino – No. W012603476***

After presentation by Alonna Murray-Brown, AAG, Louisiana Attorney General’s Gaming Division; Tammy Haupt, Louisiana State Police, Gaming Audit Section; and Master Trooper Michael Talley, Louisiana State Police, Gaming Enforcement Division, it was moved by Ms. Hamilton-Acker to approve the Sports Wagering License Application for Treasure Chest Casino. That motion was seconded by Mr. Avant and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board considered Approval of the following Sports Wagering Platform Provider Permit Applications:

- **Betfair Interactive US, LLC d/b/a FanDuel Sportsbook (B016503481)**

After presentation by Alonna Murray-Brown, AAG, Louisiana Attorney General's Gaming Division; Tammy Haupt, Louisiana State Police, Gaming Audit Section; and Investigator Rodney Perkins, Louisiana State Police, Gaming Enforcement Division, it was moved by Ms. Berry to approve the Sports Wagering Platform Provider Permit Application for Betfair Interactive US, LLC d/b/a FanDuel Sportsbook. That motion was seconded by Mr. Poole and unanimously approved by the Board.

The final items on the agenda were two settlements and one appeal. The Board considered the following:

1. ***In re: BRC, LLC d/b/a T's Country – No. 4600116124 (settlement)***

It was moved by Ms. Lewis, seconded by Mr. Jackson, and unanimously approved by the Board to approve the settlement wherein the licensee would pay a civil penalty of \$750.00, for failure to timely submit the required annual fee and documents.

2. ***In re: S & I Investment, LLC d/b/a S&I Investment, LLC – No. 4900617125***

In re: Arnaudville Petroleum, LLC d/b/a Tiger Deli – No. 4900216854

In re: S&I Investment, LLC d/b/a Diamond Jubilee – No. 3601517512 (consolidated settlement)

It was moved by Mr. Jackson, seconded by Ms. Lewis, and unanimously approved by the Board to approve the settlement wherein the licensee would pay a civil penalty of \$40,000.00, due to several violations.

3. ***In re: Mark Allen Freelund, Jr. – No. P040070069 (appeal)***

It was moved by Chairman Johns, seconded by Mr. Jackson, and unanimously approved by the Board to affirm the Hearing Officer's Decision denying Mr. Freelund's non-key gaming permit.

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