

LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD

Minutes of August 22, 2022

The meeting of the Louisiana Gaming Control Board convened on Monday, August 22, 2022, 10:00 a.m., at the Louisiana State Capitol, House Committee Room 3. Present at the meeting were Chairman Ronnie Johns, Julie Berry, Claude Jackson, Lamar Poole, Julie Lewis, Franchesca Hamilton-Acker, Ronald Sholes, and Ashley Traylor. Chuck McNeal was present for Col. Lamar Davis and Heather Templet for Secretary Kevin Richard. Absent was board member Harry Avant, and ex-officio members Col. Lamar Davis and Secretary Kevin Richard.

Chairman Johns called the meeting to order. It was moved by Mr. Poole to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the meeting of July 21, 2022. That motion was seconded by Ms. Berry 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.

Alonna Murrary, AAG provided the compliance reports.

The Board considered the Certificate of Compliance for the Alternate Riverboat Inspection of the gaming vessel ***PNK (Baton Rouge) Partnership d/b/a L’Auberge Casino & Hotel Baton Rouge – No. R011000801***. After presentation by LeKeisha James, Assistant Attorney General (“AAG”), Louisiana Attorney General’s Gaming Division, and Matt Pittman of American Vessel Services, LLC, it was moved by Ms. Berry to approve a Temporary Certificate of Compliance, which expires on September 30, 2022. That motion was seconded by Ms. Hamilton-Aker and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board considered the Certificate of Compliance for the Alternate Riverboat Inspection of the gaming vessel ***Louisiana Casino Cruises, Inc. d/b/a Hollywood Casino Baton Rouge – No. R011700193***. After presentation by Venise Johnson, Assistant Attorney General (“AAG”), Louisiana Attorney General’s Gaming Division, and Matt Pittman of American Vessel Services, LLC, it was moved by Mr. Poole to approve a Certificate of Compliance, which expires on August 30, 2023. That motion was seconded by Ms. Lewis, and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board then considered the *Amended Plans and Specifications and Construction Contracts for Louisiana Casino Cruises, LLC d/b/a Hollywood Casino Baton Rouge - No. R011700193*. After presentation by Jeremy Gathe, Assistant Attorney General, (“AAG”), Louisiana Attorney General’s Gaming Division, and Jeff Barbin (Attorney for Casino Queen), Terry Downey (CEO of Casino Queen and Matt Shihadi (GM of Casino Queen); it was moved by Mr. Poole to approve the Amended Plans and Specification. That motion was seconded by Ms. Berry and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board next considered the *Transfer of Interest in the following Truck Stop in Big D Truckstop, LLC d/b/a Wagin Cajun Casino of Duson – No. 0109514164*. After presentation by Venise Johnson, AAG, and Criminal Investigator Glenn Verett, it was moved by Ms. Traylor to approve the transfer of interest. That motion was seconded by Ms. Lewis and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board next considered the truck stop application of *Food Junction, LLC d/b/a Food Junction Gameroom – No. 1800518078* (original application). After presentation by Alonna Murray, AAG, and Criminal Investigator Glenn Verett, it was moved by Ms. Berry to approve the truck stop application. That motion was seconded by Mr. Jackson and unanimously approved by the Board.

Next, the Board considered Approval of the Sports Wagering License Application of *Louisiana Downs Investment Company, LLC d/b/a Louisiana Downs (W010803484)*. After presentation by Alonna Murray, AAG, Tammy Haupt, LSP Audit Division, and LSP Investigative Specialist Angela Hernandez. Present on behalf of Louisiana Downs were Kevin Preston and Joe Mapes. After discussion, it was moved by Mr. Jackson to approve the license application of Louisiana Downs and was seconded by Ms. Lewis, and unanimously approved by the Board.

After presentation by Charlie Picou, Louisiana Attorney General's Office, Gaming Division, it was moved by Mr. Sholes to adopt the rulemaking procedures. That motion was seconded by Ms. Berry and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board then considered the settlement of *Soule Cafe LLC, d/b/a Soule Café – 3601217976*. After presentation by Shanna Sizemore, AAG, it was moved by Ms. Lewis to approve the settlement. That motion was seconded by Ms. Berry.

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