

# LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD

## Minutes of February 17, 2004

The Louisiana Gaming Control Board held a meeting on Tuesday, February 17, 2004, 10:00 a.m., in House Committee Room 1 of the Louisiana State Capitol. Present at this meeting were: Hillary J. Crain, Chairman; Robert M. Fleming, Vice-Chairman; James G. Boyer, Secretary/Treasurer; Gen. Sherian Cadoria, Dennis Kinchen, Dudley Lastrapes, Marcia Morgan, Rupert Richardson and Kelly Simoneaux. Absent were ex-officio members, Col. Henry Whitehorn and Sec. Cynthia Bridges.

The meeting was called to order. It was moved by Gen. Cadoria to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the January meeting. That motion was seconded by Ms. Richardson and unanimously approved by the Board.

Ms. Donna Jackson, State Police Gaming Audit Division, presented the revenue reports for the riverboats, landbased casino, and slots at the tracks. Ms. Constance Wallace with the State Police Audit Division, reported on the employee numbers and salaries for the landbased casino, and Ms. Donna Stevens, also with the Audit Division, reported on the statistics for video poker.

Ms. Alyson McCord, Asst. Attorney General, reported on the voluntary compliance and procurement conditions of the riverboat casinos, and Mr. Young Bonner, also an Asst. Attorney General, reported on the statutory compliance and procurement conditions of the slots at the racetracks.

The Board acted on the 2004-2005 Casino Support Services Contract with the City of New Orleans. Speaking on behalf of the state was Ms. Jeanne-Marie Barham, Asst. Attorney General. Mr. Kenya Smith, Executive Counsel, represented the City of New Orleans.

Following discussion, it was moved by Ms. Morgan to approve the 3.6 million dollar contract and authorize the Chairman to execute the contract following approval by the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget, and appropriation of funds. That motion was seconded by Gen. Cadoria and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Tom Warner, Asst. Attorney General, addressed the Board concerning amendments to the compulsive and problem gaming programs submitted by the licensees. Mr. Warner stated that all programs complied with the minimum statutory requirements. It was moved by Sec. Boyer to approve the amendments programs submitted. That motion was seconded by Gen. Cadoria and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. James Perdigao, counsel for Pinnacle Entertainment and Mr. Cliff Kortman, vice-president of construction services, updated Board members of the progress of PNK-Lake Charles. Mr. Kortman stated the boat was ahead of schedule, but because of rain the land facilities were a week behind schedule.

The Board acted on Proposed Settlements/Appeals in the following:

1. **In Re: P & J Daiquiri Café d/b/a Gateway - No. 3601212724** - Motion by Ms. Richardson to approve the \$250.00 settlement for failure to include the toll-free gambling hotline number in advertising. That motion was seconded by Sec. Boyer and unanimously approved by the Board.
2. **In Re: Susie Davis & Brenda Mitchell d/b/a The Spot Bar Lounge & Restaurant - No. 2600113462** - Motion by Gen. Cadoria to approve the \$250.00 settlement for failure to timely submit tax clearances. That motion was seconded by Sec. Boyer and unanimously approved by the Board.
3. **In Re: Riverside Lodge, L.L.C. d/b/a Riverside Lodge - No. 4600112941** - Motion by Mr. Simoneaux to approve the \$250.00 settlement for failure to timely submit tax clearances. That motion was seconded by Gen. Cadoria and unanimously approved by the Board.
4. **In Re: Jules V. Jernigan - No. P040041899**
5. **In Re: Joseph N. Willis - No. P040024689**

These two appeals were handled in globo. Both permittees failed to timely submit tax clearances. It was moved by Mr. Lastrapes to approve the \$250.00 settlement for each permittee. That motion was seconded by Gen. Cadoria and unanimously approved by the Board.

6. **In Re: Leon Bryant - No. P040028823** - Motion by Sec. Boyer to approve the \$250.00 settlement for failure to timely submit tax clearances. That motion was seconded by Ms. Morgan and unanimously approved by the Board.
7. **In Re: Big Easy Po-Boys Bar & Grill d/b/a Big Easy Po-Boys & Grill - No. 1001111459** - Motion by Mr. Kinchen to approve the \$250.00 settlement for failure to timely submit tax clearances. That motion was seconded by Ms. Richardson and unanimously approved by the Board.
8. **In Re: Grill on the Green, Inc. d/b/a Grill on the Green - No. 5501210808** - Motion by Mr. Lastrapes to approve the \$675.65 settlement for employing a designated representative/manager who had not been found suitable. That motion was seconded by Mr. Kinchen and unanimously approved by the Board.
9. **In Re: T-roy's Inc. d/b/a Corner Café - No. 3900210622** - Motion by Ms. Richardson to approve the \$450.00 settlement for failure to include the toll-free gambling hotline number in advertising and not having a designated representative or owner present at the establishment. That motion was second by Sec. Boyer and unanimously approved by the Board.
10. **In Re: Jacqueline Server - No. P040041165**

11. **In Re: Natalie Vincent - No. P040041668**

These two cases were handled in globo. Both permittees failed to timely submit tax clearances. It was moved by Gen. Cadoria to approve a \$250.00 penalty for each permittee. That motion was seconded by Ms. Richardson and unanimously approved by the Board.

12. **In Re: Modern Gaming, Inc. - No. CGD030332** - Motion by Ms. Morgan to approve the \$2,500.00 settlement for selling video gaming device equipment without a valid Type 8 video gaming distributor's license. That motion was seconded by Mr. Kinchen and unanimously approved by the Board.

13. **In Re: David Holden - No. P040005573** - Motion to grant the rehearing and remand the case to the Hearing Officer for further action by Gen. Cadoria. That motion was seconded by Mr. Simoneaux and unanimously approved by the Board.

14. **In Re: M.T.M. Associates d/b/a Sportsman's Paradise - No. 1001213031** - Motion by Mr. Lastrapes to remand the case to the Hearing Officer for a determination as to whether the licensee is in compliance. That motion was seconded by Sec. Boyer and unanimously approved by the Board.

Public comments were received by Representative Carla Dartez with reference to PNK-Lake Charles.

There being no further comments, it was moved by Sec. Boyer to adjourn. That motion was seconded by Gen. Cadoria and unanimously approved by the Board.

The meeting was adjourned.