

LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD

Minutes of May 15, 2023

The meeting of the Louisiana Gaming Control Board convened on Monday, May 15, 2023, 10:00 a.m., at the LaSalle Building, LaBelle Hearing Room. Present at the meeting were Chairman Ronnie Johns, Julie Berry, Claude Jackson, Ronald Sholes, Lamar Poole, Julie Lewis, and Ashley Traylor. Major Chuck McNeal was present for Col. Lamar Davis and Heather Templet for Secretary Kevin Richard. Absent was board member Harry Avant, Franchesca Hamilton-Acker, and ex-officio members Col. Lamar Davis and Secretary Kevin Richard.

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 April 4 and April 17, 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.

Jeremy Gathe, Assistant Attorney General reported on the 1st Quarter of 2023 compliance reports.

The Board 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 Quintel Jackson, AAG and Moriah Reed, AVS, it was moved by Ms. Berry to approve the COC. That motion was seconded by Mr. Sholes, 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 Talebah McIntyre, AAG and Moriah Reed, AVS, it was moved by Mr. Jackson to approve the COC. That motion was seconded by Ms. Lewis, 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 Kanick Lewis, AAG and Moriah Reed, AVS, it was moved by Mr. Sholes to approve the COC. That motion was seconded by Ms. Traylor, and unanimously approved by the Board

The Board considered the certificate of compliance for the Alternate Riverboat Inspection of the gaming vessel of Catfish Queen, LLC d/b/a Belle of Baton Rouge – No. R011700009. After presentation by Delancey Houston, AAG and Moriah Reed, AVS, it was moved by Mr. Poole to approve the COC. That motion was seconded by Ms. Berry, and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board considered the certificate of compliance for the Alternate Riverboat Inspection of the gaming vessel of St. Charles Gaming Company, LLC d/b/a Horseshoe Casino Lake Charles – No. R011700174. After presentation by Jeremy Gathe, AAG, it was moved by Ms. Berry to approve the COC. That motion was seconded by Mr. Poole, and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board then Considered the Sports Wagering License Application of St. Charles Gaming Company, LLC d/b/a Horseshoe Casino Lake Charles No. W011003483. Jeff Barbin, Attorney for Horseshoe, Jeff Farve, SVP and GM, and Robert Urland, Regional President, were present for the licensee. After presentation by Jeremy Gathe, Assistant Attorney General, Rodney Perkins, LSP Criminal Investigator, and Tammy Haupt, LSP Gaming Audit, it was moved by Ms. Berry to approve the Sports Wagering License. That motion was seconded by Ms. Lewis, and unanimously approved by the Board. .

The Board then Considered the Sports Wagering Platform Provider Application of PointsBet Louisiana, LLC d/b/a PointsBet - No. B016503506. After presentation by Andrea Nathan, Assistant Attorney General, Kevin Bidy, Master Trooper, and Tammy Haupt, LSP Gaming Audit, it was moved by Mr. Sholes to approve the Platform Provider Application. That motion was seconded by Ms. Traylor, and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board next considered the appeal of He's Not Here Lounge, LLC d/b/a He's Not Here Lounge – No. 1000111382. Mr. Dustan Abshire filed a motion to continue the appeal because he was in an ongoing trial. Proof was provided by the court that Mr. Abshire was currently in a trial that had continued from the week before. Shane Carras was present on behalf of the licensee. Lakeisha James was

present on behalf the Attorney General's Office. Ms. James objected to the motion to continue. Chairman Johns made a motion to grant the motion to continue the matter until the June Board Meeting. Mr. Jackson seconded that motion. Ms. James asked for the board to be polled and Mr. Hebert, Director of the AG's office interjected that polling was not necessary. There were no objections and the motion to continue was unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board next considered the settlement of Aaron's Investment, Inc. d/b/a Aarons – No.4400213587. After presentation by Talibah McIntrye, Assistant Attorney General, Ms. Berry moved to approve the settlement. That motion was seconded by Mr. Poole and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board next considered the appeal of Colten Belue – No. P040071997. After presentation by Colton Belue and Venise Johnson, Assistant Attorney General, Ms. Lewis moved to uphold the hearing officer's decision. That motion was seconded by Mr. Jackson and unanimously approved by the Board.

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