

LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD

Minutes of October 18, 2018

The monthly meeting of the Louisiana Gaming Control Board was convened on Thursday, October 18, 2018, 10:00 a.m., in House Committee Room 1 of the Louisiana State Capitol. Present at the meeting were: Ronnie Jones, Chairman, Ayres Bradford, Mark Stipe, James Singleton, Julie Berry, Elton Lagasse, Harry Avant and ex-officio member, Secretary Kimberly Robinson. Absent was board member Richard Patrick, and ex-officio member Colonel Kevin Reeves.

The meeting was called to order. Chairman Jones stated due to a change in Mr. Gaston's full-time job and the requirements and prohibitions in the law regulating members of the Gaming Control Board, Mr. Gaston had to choose between his full-time job and the Gaming Control Board, and decided to resign from the board. The Chairman also stated he apologized to Robert Urland for inadvertently stating at last month's meeting that Mike Whitemaine was the General Manager of Eldorado instead of Mr. Urland.

It was moved by Mr. Bradford to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the September meeting. That motion was seconded by Mr. Singleton and unanimously approved by the Board.

Ms. Donna Jackson, State Police Gaming Audit Section, provided revenue reports for the riverboats, landbased casino and slots at the track, and employee numbers for the landbased casino. Mr. Jim Bossier, also with the Gaming Audit Division, reported on the video poker statistics.

The Board considered the Certificate of Compliance for the Alternate Riverboat Inspection of the gaming vessel of Louisiana-1 Gaming, L.P. d/b/a Boomtown New Orleans, No. R012600196. In addition to the annual inspection, changes were recommended in the job descriptions of the manning variance. The changes would keep the marine requirements in place but would eliminate the minimum years for the expired coast guard license. Following discussion, it was moved by Mr. Lagasse to issue the Certificate of Compliance which included the changes in the job description of the manning variance. That motion was seconded by Ms. Berry and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board acted on the transfers of interest in the following truckstop applications:

1. NDR Enterprises, LLC d/b/a The Big Deal Truckstop Casino – No. 5500516142
Following discussion, it was moved by Ms. Berry to approve the transfer of interest.
That motion was seconded by Mr. Singleton and unanimously approved by the Board.
2. A. N. Collette Oil Company, Inc. d/b/a Grand Bayou Casino – No. 2401508817
Following discussion, it was moved by Mr. Avant to approve the transfer of interest.
That motion was seconded by Mr. Singleton and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board considered the final adoption of rules LAC 42:III.2801–2825; adoption of amendments to LAC 42:III.2717; adoption of amendments to LAC 42:III.2723; and repeal of LAC

42:III.4205 Casino Computer Systems. It was moved by Ms. Berry to adopt the amendments and the repeal of the above stated rules. That motion was second by Mr. Avant and unanimously approved by the Board.

Chairman Jones announced that Ayres Bradford, Vice Chairman of the Board, would be resigning to take advantage of an opportunity that will be presenting itself in the coming days. Chairman Jones stated he appreciated Mr. Bradford's friendship and described him as being an invaluable resource to him as Vice Chairman.

Mr. Bradford stated it had been an honor serving as a member and thanked the staff, Board Members, State Police and Attorney General's office for their hard work and integrity. He also stated how important this job is to the state and that gaming has become very important to the State of Louisiana.

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

The meeting was adjourned.