

LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD

Minutes of October 16, 2007

The Louisiana Gaming Control conducted a meeting on Tuesday, October 16, 2007, 10:00 a.m., in Senate Room A of the Louisiana State Capitol. Present at the meeting were: H. Charles Gaudin, Chairman; William Lastrapes, Marcia Morgan, Rupert Richardson, Major Claude Mercer, Velma Rogers, Rose Bromell and Ray Todd. Absent were ex-officio members, Col. Stanley Griffin and Sec. Cynthia Bridges.

The meeting was called to order. The Chairman welcomed the two newest board members, Ms. Rose Bromell and Mr. Ray Todd.

It was moved by Ms. Richardson to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the September Board Meeting. That motion was seconded by Mr. Lastrapes 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. Donna Stevens, also with the Audit Division, reported on the video poker statistics.

Mr. Reece Middleton, Executive Director of the Louisiana Association on Compulsive Gaming, provided a brief update of their work with problem gamblers and their families in Louisiana. Mr. Middleton stated that the helpline specialists handled 93 calls classified as suicidal last year. He also stated that the CORE (Center of Recovery) treatment center in Shreveport has admitted in excess of 1600 persons since it opened, and that future plans include the development of Winner's Center in Shreveport, an extended living facility for Problem and Pathological Gamblers.

The Board acted on a petition by Eldorado Casino for approval of Transfer of Indirect Ownership Interest to Newport Global Opportunities Fund, LP. Mr. Leonce Gautreaux, Deputy Director, Gaming Division, Attorney General's Office, addressed the Board on this matter. He stated that the casino would not be affected by this transaction.

Following discussion, it was moved by Mr. Lastrapes to approve the Transfer of the Indirect Ownership to Newport Global Opportunities Fund, LP. That motion was seconded by Ms. Morgan and unanimously approved by the Board.

The next item dealt with a petition by PNK (SCB) to modify license condition 14(b) relating to contracting.

Following discussion, it was moved by Ms. Morgan to adopt the resolution approving the petition to modify license condition 14(b). That motion was seconded by Mr. Lastrapes and unanimously approved by the Board.

The next item dealing with Pablo's Truckstop was removed from the agenda.

Mr. Brett Sulzer, attorney representing GYF Enterprises, L.L.C. d/b/a Relay Station Greenwood, addressed the Board with reference to adding their truckstop application to the agenda for Board consideration.

It was moved by Mr. Lastrapes to amend the agenda to consider the application. That motion was seconded by Ms. Richardson and approved by a vote of six to two. Voting for the motion were: Chairman Gaudin, William Lastrapes, Rupert Richardson, Velma Rogers, Rose Bromell and Ray Todd. Voting against the motion were: Marcia Morgan and Major Claude Mercer.

After discussion, it was moved by Major Mercer to approve the application of **GFY Enterprises, L.L.C. d/b/a Relay Station Greenwood- No. 0900515347**. That motion was seconded by Mr. Lastrapes and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Tom Warner, Asst. Attorney General in the Gaming Division, addressed the Board with reference to amendments to LAC 42:VII, IX, XIII.4204, Consistent Odds on Linked EGD's.

Following discussion, it was moved by Ms. Richardson to adopt the amendments to LAC 42:VII, IX, XIII.4204. That motion was seconded by Mr. Lastrapes and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board acted on Proposed Settlements/Appeals from Hearing Officers decisions in the following:

1. **In Re: Cindy L. Lagarde d/b/a Crossing Bar – No. 2900112183** – Motion by Mr. Lastrapes to approve the \$3,000 penalty for repeated tax delinquencies. That motion was seconded by Mr. Todd and unanimously approved by the Board.
2. **In Re: NRT Technology Corporation – No. P066502488A** – Motion by Mr. Lastrapes to approve the \$10,000 penalty for sub-contracting with an unpermitted entity. That motion was seconded by Ms. Richardson and unanimously approved by the Board.
3. **In Re: Kenneth H. Fails – No. P040051181** – Motion by Mr. Todd to dismiss the appeal. That motion was seconded by Ms. Morgan and unanimously approved by the Board.
4. **In Re: Willard F. Guillot, II – No. P040050371** – Motion by Major Mercer to affirm the decision of the Hearing Officer upholding the Division's denial of the non-key gaming permit. That motion was seconded by Mr. Lastrapes and unanimously approved by the Board.

5. **In Re: Philip M. Grego – No. P040050891** - Motion by Ms. Morgan to affirm the decision of the Hearing Officer revoking the permit. That motion was seconded by Major Mercer and unanimously approved by the Board.

There being no public comments, it was moved by Mr. Lastrapes to adjourn the meeting. That motion was seconded by Ms. Richardson and unanimously approved by the Board.

The meeting was adjourned.