

LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD

Minutes of July 18, 2006

The Louisiana Gaming Control Board held a meeting on Tuesday, July 18, 2006, 10:00 a.m., in Senate Room A of the Louisiana State Capitol. Present at this meeting were: H. Charles Gaudin, Chairman, Judge Robert Fleming, James Boyer, Dennis Kinchen, William Lastrapes, Marcia Morgan, and M.J. "Kelly" Simoneaux. Absent was board member Rupert Richardson and ex-officio members, Sec. Cynthia Bridges and Col. Henry Whitehorn.

The meeting was called to order. It was moved by Mr. Boyer to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the June meeting. That motion was seconded by Mr. Kinchen 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. Kelly Duncan, counsel for Belle of Orleans Casino, updated board members on the status of the casino. He stated the local option referendum had been approved by the voters in St. Mary Parish on July 15th. Mr. Duncan also stated that the vessel was still being repaired.

Mr. Frank Milanese and Mr. Louis Cappelletti, representatives on behalf of the Orleans Parish Levee Board, addressed board members with their concerns about the Belle of Orleans Casino leaving South Shore Harbor and relocating to St. Mary Parish.

Mr. Larry Orlansky, counsel for Pinnacle Entertainment, and Mr. Uri Clinton, Senior Attorney with Harrah's Entertainment addressed the Board with reference to the Joint Petition for Transfer of Interest and looked forward to having this item on the August agenda.

Mr. Michael Wright, an attorney in Lake Charles, spoke against the proposed transfer of interest of Harrah's riverboat licenses.

The Board acted on a petition by Louisiana Riverboat Gaming Partnership (Isle of Capri –Bossier) for a Transfer of Interest to Legends Gaming. Mr. Leonce Gautreaux, Asst. Attorney General, Ms. Evie Ficklin, Auditor, and Sgt. Gary Williams, Casino Gaming Division, addressed the Board with reference to this item. Mr. Joseph Brantley, counsel for Legends Gaming, also addressed the Board.

Following discussion, it was moved by Mr. Lastrapes to approve the transfer of interest and change of the trade name to Diamondjacks Casino and Resort-Bossier City. That motion was seconded by Mr. Kinchen and unanimously approved by the Board.

The next item dealt with rulemaking. Mr. Tom Warner, Mr. Mike Daniels, Asst. Attorney General, and Capt. Mike Noel, State Police Gaming Division, addressed the Board with reference to LAC 42:XI.2407, Operation of Video Draw Poker Devices, and XI.2430, Video Poker Penalty Schedule.

Mr. Preston Guidry, Mr. Brett Sulzer and Ms. Melinda Fayard spoke against XI.2430, the proposed video poker penalty schedule.

Following discussion, it was moved by Mr. Boyer to institute the rulemaking process for the above stated rules. That motion was seconded by Mr. Kinchen and unanimously approved by the Board.

1. In Re: St. Charles Gaming Company, Inc. d/b/a/ Isle of Capri Casinos, Inc. – No. CGD050210 – Motion by Mr. Kinchen to approve the \$2,500.00 penalty for billboards with improperly posted Gambling Hotline Number. That motion was seconded by Ms. Morgan and unanimously approved by the Board.
2. In Re: St. Charles Gaming Company, Inc. d/b/a Isle of Capri Casinos, Inc. – No. CGD050359 – Motion by Ms. Morgan to approve the \$20,000.00 penalty for violations of regulations regarding table drop and bill validator count processes. That motion was seconded by Mr. Simoneaux and unanimously approved by the Board.
3. In Re: Laura B. Wood d/b/a Vaughan’s Lounge – No. 3601103282
5. In Re: J.P. Mosca d/b/a Mosca’s – No. 2600201591
6. In Re: James Kirkfield, Jr. d/b/a Wet Dock Restaurant & Bar – No. 2600105882
7. In Re: Clarence E. Simmons, Jr. d/b/a Kelly’s Pub – No. 2600112630
8. In Re: P & G Tavern, Inc. d/b/a Lots A Luck – No. 3601110410
9. In Re: Society Page, LLC d/b/a Society Page Lounge – No. 3501111455
10. In Re: Armand & Guidry, Inc. d/b/a Tastee #61 – No. 2602207392

The above seven settlements were handled in globo because they dealt with the same issue. All seven licensees were assessed a \$1,000.00 penalty for submission of improperly notarized documents. It was moved by Mr. Kinchen to approve the \$1,000.00 penalty for each licensee. That motion was seconded by Mr. Simoneaux and unanimously approved by the Board.

4. In Re: Stan’s LLC d/b/a Stan’s Truck Stop/Diamond Jubilee – No. 3601511583 – Motion by Mr. Simoneaux to approve the \$10,000.00 penalty for violations of statutes and regulations regarding truckstop requirements for security, restaurant and parking lot. That motion was seconded by Mr. Kinchen and unanimously approved by the Board.
11. In Re: Lucy Segura d/b/a Kwik Copy Printing Center 283 – Cert. No. I032316756 – Motion by Mr. Boyer to approve the Hearing Officer’s decision and issue the state certification. That motion was seconded by Mr. Lastrapes and unanimously approved. The Chairman abstained from voting.

There being no public comments, it was moved by Judge Fleming to adjourn the meeting. That motion was seconded by Mr. Kinchen and unanimously approved by the Board.

The meeting was adjourned.