

LOUISIANA GAMING CONTROL BOARD

Minutes of March 19, 2014

The Louisiana Gaming Control Board conducted a meeting on Wednesday, March 19, 2014, 10:00 a.m., in the Natchez Room of the Galvez Building. Present at the meeting were: Ronnie Jones, Chairman, Ayres Bradford, Mark Stipe, James Singleton, Denise Noonan, Claude Mercer, Claude Jackson and Robert Gaston. Absent were ex-officio members, Colonel Mike Edmonson and Secretary Tim Barfield.

The meeting was called to order. It was moved by Ms. Noonan to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the February meeting. That motion was seconded by Mr. Bradford and unanimously approved by the Board.

Ms. Donna Jackson, State Police Gaming Audit, provided revenue reports for the riverboats, landbased casino, slots at the track, and video poker and also provided employee numbers for the landbased casino.

Amelia Belle Casino, No. R013600020, and Horseshoe Casino, No. R010800198, appeared at the request of the Board to discuss the licensee's pattern of noncompliance in quarterly procurement goals. Representatives from Amelia Belle Casino stated they are currently in a much smaller market than when their goals were originally established and that demographics have changed substantially from their original location. They assured the Board that they take this issue seriously and will continue to participate in minority vendor fairs and work diligently to achieve the stated goals.

Representatives from Horseshoe Casino appeared at the request of the Board and noted that their procurement goals were originally set quite high and, due to the size of their casino, they sometimes have difficulty finding minority vendors having the capacity to meet their business needs. They are working with the local community to try and develop a minority vendor list to get as many minority and women-owned businesses as possible for inclusion in their bidding process for various goods and services. They participate in minority vendor fairs and have hosted a fair in the past. They committed to continue striving to meet goals.

The Board acted on a petition by Bossier Casino Venture, Inc. d/b/a Margaritaville Resort Casino, No. R011000841, for an amendment to their Riverboat Staffing Plan. Following discussion, it was moved by Ms. Noonan to approve the amendment to the staffing plan. That motion was seconded by Mr. Singleton and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board acted on a Joint Petition by Louisiana Riverboat Gaming Partnership d/b/a DiamondJacks Casino, Legends Gaming of Louisiana-1, LLC, Legends Gaming of Louisiana-2, LLC and Legends Gaming, LLC, for approval of Plan of Reorganization, Transfer of Interest and Debt Restructure. Following discussion, it was moved by Mr. Bradford to adopt the resolution approving the Plan of Reorganization, Transfer of Interest and Debt Restructure. That motion was seconded by Ms. Noonan and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board acted on the Proposed Settlement and Appeal in the following:

1. **In Re: 5216, Inc. d/b/a The Swamp Room – No. 2600105829** - Motion by Mr. Gaston to approve the \$1,000 settlement. That motion was seconded by Mr. Bradford and unanimously approved by the Board.
2. **In Re: Latora Nichols – No. V000019033** – Motion by Mr. Stipe to continue this matter. There was no second to the motion. There was a substitute motion by Mr. Gaston to affirm the decision of the Hearing Officer denying Ms. Nichols' video poker employee permit application. That motion was seconded by Ms. Noonan and unanimously approved by the Board.

There being no further comments, it was moved by Mr. Gaston to adjourn the meeting. That motion was seconded by Mr. Singleton and unanimously approved by the Board.

The meeting was adjourned.