

## KANSAS RACING AND GAMING COMMISSION

### MINUTES – MAY 15, 2015

CALL TO ORDER:  
(A.)

Acting Chairman Dennis McKinney called the May 15, 2015, meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. The meeting was held at the Eisenhower State Office Building at 700 SW Harrison, East Tower Conference Room, in Topeka, Kansas. Commissioners R. Eileen King and David H. Moses were also present. Others present included Interim Executive Director/Director of Security Don Brownlee, General Counsel Judith Taylor, Director of Administration, Finance and Audit Brandi White, Director of IT and Electronic Security Dennis Bachman and other staff.

MOTION, APPROVE  
AMENDED AGENDA:  
(B.)

Commissioner King (Moses) moved to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION, APPROVE  
APRIL 20, 2015, MEETING  
MINUTES:  
(C.)

Commissioner King (Moses) moved to approve the minutes of the April 20, 2015 meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION, APPROVE  
CONSENT AGENDA:  
(D.)

Commissioner King (Moses) moved to approve the consent agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

LOTTERY GAMING  
FACILITY  
REPORTS/ITEMS; BOOT  
HILL CASINO AND  
RESORT:  
(E.1.)

Sharon Stroburg, General Manager, reported:

- April 2015 revenue numbers compared to April 2014:
  - Total gaming revenue down 0.66%
  - Total slot revenue down 2.19%
  - Table games revenue up 13.35%
- Upcoming events at the United Wireless Arena and promotions:
  - April 17 – Rodney Carrington
  - April 18 – Dodge City Law Football
  - Hotel promotion for the month of April
  - May – Table games 2-1 Blackjack card and \$3.00 Blackjack seven days a week
  - May 10 – Mother’s Day Buffet featuring whole lobster and pecan roasted chicken
  - May 25 – Memorial Day BBQ Buffet

LOTTERY GAMING  
FACILITY  
REPORTS/ITEMS; KANSAS  
STAR:  
(E.2.)

Dan Ihm, General Manager, reported:

- April 2015 admissions were down 5.7% from April 2014.
- April 2015 revenue numbers compared to April 2014:
  - Total gaming revenue up 3.2%
  - Slot coin-in (handle) down 2%
  - Slot hold up 4%
  - Table game drop up 8.4%
  - Table game hold flat
  - Poker room revenue down 2%
- Past events at the Kansas Star Casino Arena:
  - April 10-12 – USTRC
  - May 7-10 – Let It Ride Equestrian event
- Upcoming events at the Kansas Star Casino Arena:
  - June – Credence Clearwater Revisited
  - June – Bellator MMA
- Past Kansas Star Casino Events Center events:
  - April 25 – Man in Black
  - May 9 – Asian Variety Show
- Upcoming events at the Kansas Star Casino Events Center:
  - May – Comedian Louie Anderson
  - May – The Temptations

LOTTERY GAMING  
FACILITY  
REPORTS/ITEMS;  
HOLLYWOOD CASINO AT  
KANSAS SPEEDWAY:  
(E.3.)

Bob Sheldon, General Manager, reported:

- April 2015 revenue numbers compared to April 2014:
  - Total gaming revenue was \$12.5 million, an increase of \$1.4 million or 12.3%
  - Table games revenue was \$1.9 million, an increase of \$144,000.00 or 8.1%. Table volume was slightly ahead of prior year but hold percentage was higher which accounted for most of the year-over-year increase.
  - Slot revenue was \$10.6 million, an increase of \$1.2 million or 13.1%
- Hollywood Casino had the normal complement of monthly promotional offers and restaurant specials, including a lobster night and crab legs night in the Epic Buffet.
- The \$25,000 Lights, Camera, Cash promotion concluded with a grand prize cash drawing, which was well attended.
- The Kansas State University spring football game at nearby

Sporting Park generated a good amount of visitation from the fans before and after the game.

COMMISSION ITEMS –  
OLD BUSINESS;  
(F.)

- Michelle Neis, Enforcement Attorney for the KRGC, reported on problem gambling in the Asian community.
- Brandi White, Director of Administration, Finance and Audit for the KRGC, asked the commission to approve a contract renewal for the Kansas Greyhound Association (KGA).

MOTION TO APPROVE  
KGA CONTRACT  
RENEWAL

Commissioner King (McKinney) moved to approve the KGA's contract renewal. Motion passed unanimously.

COMMISSION ITEMS –  
NEW BUSINESS;  
(G.)

There were no new business items to discuss. Acting chairman McKinney did inquire of Interim Executive Director Brownlee if the KRGC was geared back up for re-establishment of racing. Brownlee stated no, but that Brandi White in administration started planning a budget for racing.

PUBLIC COMMENTS;  
(H.)

There were no public comments.

STAFF REPORTS;  
(I.)

Michelle Neis, reported:

- The Voluntary Exclusion Program statistics for the month of April 2015.
- Kevin Bost, Program and Marketing Director of Sunflower Wellness Retreat, would be addressing the commission regarding problem gambling.

Interim Executive Director Brownlee, reported:

- KRGC's financial report compares favorably to prior year and prior months.
- KRGC case number 2014-3010 is scheduled for hearing on July 22, 2015 at 2:00 p.m.
- The next few KRGC meetings scheduled are as follows:
  - June 12, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.
  - The special KRGC meeting to receive the selected southeast gaming zone applicant's background report and vote on the LGFRB's selection will be held on July 2, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.
  - July 23, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.

MOTION, EXECUTIVE  
SESSIONS:  
(J.)

Acting chairman McKinney moved for the commission to go into executive session for the purpose of (1) attorney/client privilege and (2) reviewing the list of confidential backgrounds for licensing. Those included in the executive sessions were the commissioners, interim executive director/director of security and general counsel. The total time for the executive sessions was anticipated to be forty minutes. No action is to be taken in executive session, and the subjects discussed are to be limited as previously described. A full record of this motion is to be maintained as part of the permanent record of the Kansas Racing and Gaming Commission. At the conclusion of the executive session, the meeting is to be continued in open session. Acting Chairman McKinney (King) made a motion to adjourn to executive session. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned to executive session at 11:05 a.m.

RECONVENE

The commission meeting returned to open session at 11:45 a.m. with all members present.

MOTION TO DENY,  
CONDITIONALLY  
APPROVE, TABLE AND  
APPROVE LICENSE  
APPLICATIONS  
(K.)

Commissioner King (Moses) moved to *deny* three license applications, *conditionally approve* four license applications, *table* two license applications and *approve* the remaining 127 license applications from the May 15, 2015 list of background reports referred to the commission for action. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION TO APPOINT  
COMM. MOSES AS  
PRESIDING OFFICER FOR  
KRGK CASE #2014-3010

Acting Chairman McKinney (King) moved to appoint Commissioner Moses as the presiding officer over the hearing regarding KRGK case number 2014-3010. The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURN:  
(L.)

Acting Chairman McKinney declared the meeting adjourned at 11:49 a.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

*(Signature on file)* \_\_\_\_\_

R. Eileen King

Secretary

APPROVED BY:

*(Signature on file)* \_\_\_\_\_

Dennis McKinney

Acting Chairman