

KANSAS RACING AND GAMING COMMISSION

MINUTES – AUGUST 14, 2015

CALL TO ORDER:
(A.)

Acting Chairman Dennis McKinney called the August 14, 2015, meeting to order at 10:01 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 Brandon L. Jones were also present. Commissioner David Moses was present via teleconference. 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, Recording Secretary Chris Vega and other staff.

MOTION, APPROVE
AMENDED AGENDA:
(B.)

There were amendments to the agenda pertaining to GLI approval/rejection letters for August 2015. Commissioner King (Jones) moved to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION, APPROVE
JULY 23, 2015 MEETING
MINUTES:
(C.)

Commissioner King (Jones) moved to approve the minutes of the July 23, 2015 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION, APPROVE
CONSENT AGENDA:
(D.)

Commissioner Jones (King) moved to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Sharon Stroburg, General Manager, reported:

- July 2015 admissions were down 6.61% from July 2014.
- July 2015 revenue numbers compared to July 2014:
 - Total gaming revenue down 1.53%
 - Total slot revenue flat
 - Table games revenue down 12.30%
- Upcoming events at the United Wireless Arena and promotions:
 - 2-1 Blackjack card for the month of August
 - Buffalo Packages the month of August
 - Let It Ride added as a table game

Ms. Stroburg presented BHCR's responsible gambling report for the period of January 1, 2015 through June 30, 2015 to the commission.

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

Dan Ihm, General Manager, reported:

- July 2015 admissions were down 10.9% from July 2014.
- July 2015 revenue numbers compared to July 2014:
 - Total gaming revenue up 4.6%
 - Slot coin-in (handle) up 1.9%
 - Slot hold up .2 points
 - Table game drop up 4.7%
 - Table game hold up .8 points
 - Poker room revenue down 10.3%
- Past events at the Kansas Star Casino Arena:
 - July 31 – August 2 – Rack & Reel Hunting & Fishing Expo
 - August 8 – Deep Purple
- Upcoming events at the Kansas Star Casino Arena:
 - September 25 – 27 – Don Gay Bull Riding Finals
 - November 21 – LeAnn Rimes
 - December 12 – Wynonna Judd

Mr. Ihm presented KSTAR's responsible gambling report for the period of January 1, 2015 through June 30, 2015 to the commission.

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

John Canham, Interim General Manager, reported:

- July 2015 admissions were down 3% from July 2014.
- July 2015 revenue numbers compared to July 2014:
 - Total gaming revenue was \$12.5 million, an increase of \$1.5 million or 13.5%.
 - Table games revenue was \$1.7 million, an increase of \$32,000.00 or 2%.
 - Slot revenue was \$10.8 million, an increase of \$1.4 million or 15.5%.
- Hollywood Casino had the normal complement of monthly promotional offers and restaurant specials.
- During the month of July, table games players earned extra entries for Hollywood's Table Games Triathlon Tournament, which was held on August 9, 2015.
- Rick Skinner has been hired as the new General Manager of Hollywood Casino and will start the week of August 24, 2015.

Mr. Canham presented HLYWD's responsible gambling report for the period of January 1, 2015 through June 30, 2015 to the

commission.

COMMISSION ITEMS –
OLD BUSINESS;
(F.)

There were no old business items.

COMMISSION ITEMS –
NEW BUSINESS;
(G.)

- Don Brownlee, Interim Executive Director, reported on procedure for approving casino publications.

MOTION REGARDING
APPROVING CASINO
PUBLICATIONS:

Acting Chairman McKinney (King) moved to:

1. Ask the Lottery to renew the responsible gambling tagline.
2. Discontinue the prior approval and deal with it as a violation, as requested by staff.
3. Note in the record that the Commission still considers responsible gambling efforts to be a very serious charge from the Legislature and violations will be dealt with accordingly.

Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS;
(H.)

There were no public comments.

STAFF REPORTS;
(I.)

Interim Executive Director Brownlee, reported:

- The Voluntary Exclusion Program statistics for the month of July 2015.
- KRGC's financial report compares favorably to prior year and prior months.
- KRGC is over budget on salaries because the month of July included three payroll periods.
- Ginny Atkinson-Hall is a new enforcement agent who will be working at Kansas Star Casino in Mulvane.
- The next few KRGC meetings are scheduled as follows:
 - September 11, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. Time was advanced from the original time of 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, general counsel and

the security manager. The total time for the executive sessions was anticipated to be one hour. 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 carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned to executive session at 10:47 a.m.

RECONVENE

The commission meeting returned to open session at 11:52 a.m. with three commissioners present. Commissioner Moses disconnected from the teleconference at the end of executive session.

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

Commissioner King (McKinney) moved to *deny* one license application and *approve* the remaining 219 license applications from the August 14, 2015 list of background reports referred to the commission for action. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN:
(L.)

Acting Chairman McKinney declared the meeting adjourned at 11:53 a.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

(Signature on file)

David H. Moses
Commissioner

APPROVED BY:

(Signature on file)

Dennis McKinney
Acting Chairman