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CHEROKEE NATION GAMING COMMISSION

MEETING DATE / LOCATION:

31 May 2019
Cherokee Casino Tahlequah
Chota Center

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Steven Barrick, Vice Chairman (Teleconference)
Jennifer Goins, Commissioner (Teleconference)
Janice Walters-Purcell, Commissioner

COMMISSION STAFF:

Jamie Hummingbird, Director
Tammy Dry, Executive Assistant
Rhonda Trumbla, Special Projects Officer
Tracy Christie, Gaming Systems Analyst
Traci Asher, Internal Audit Manager
Kelly Myers, Licensing Manager
Tiffany Cochran, Compliance Manager

CHEROKEE NATION ENTERTAINMENT:

Bear Christensen, Compliance
Monica Richards, Finance
Reba Chambers, Compliance
Tim Baker, CNB Legal
David Ledford, Technology
Timothy Mannon, Gaming
Jennifer Watkins, Compliance
Belinda Fuller, Audit
Donald Childers, Surveillance & Loss Prevention
Gary Weddell, Gaming Operations
Jennifer Provence, Marketing
Kelly Stockman, IT
Joshua Anderson, Surveillance
Kyle Culver, CNB Legal

VISITORS:

Paiten Taylor-Qualls, Office of the Attorney General
Nick Goodwin, Office of the Attorney General

CHEROKEE NATION GAMING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

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CALL TO ORDER:

Vice Chairman Barrick called the meeting to order at approximately 9:36 a.m.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Vice Chairman Barrick
Commissioner Goins
Commissioner Purcell

Absent: Commissioner Sparks

A quorum was established.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Commissioner Goins motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Purcell. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Commissioner Purcell motioned to approve the 26 April 2019 and 17 May 2019 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Goins. Motion carried.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:

Introductions were made by attendees from the Cherokee Nation Gaming Commission (CNGC), Cherokee Nation Entertainment (CNE), Cherokee Nation Businesses (CNB), Cherokee Nation (CN), and guests.

Commissioner Purcell motioned to enter into executive session at 9:39 a.m. for the CNE reports; seconded by Commissioner Goins. Motion carried.

CNE REPORTS:

A. FINANCIAL REPORT

B. FACILITIES REPORT

Commissioner Purcell motioned to exit executive session at 10:03 a.m.; seconded by Commissioner Goins. Motion carried.

No action taken

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS

A. PERMITS & LICENSES – K. MYERS

Kelly presented the following and requested approval.

1. Employees

- One hundred and ninety-one (191) individual(s) for temporary permits
- One hundred and forty-two (142) individual(s) for suitability determination
- One hundred and eight (108) Orders
- Three hundred and sixty-five (365) renewals for 21 June 2019

Commissioner Purcell motioned to approve; seconded by Commissioner Goins. Motion carried.

2. Vendor & Vendor Representatives

- One (1) new company orders for 24 May 2019
- Ten (10) individual orders for 24 May 2019
- Nine (9) company renewals for 21 June 2019
- Seventy-one (71) individual renewals 21 June 2019

Commissioner Goins motioned to approve as submitted; seconded by Commissioner Purcell. Motion carried.

B. LICENSE CLASSIFICATIONS – K. MYERS

Kelly presented seven (7) license classifications and requested approval.

Commissioner Goins motioned to approve; seconded by Commissioner Purcell. Motion carried.

C. GAME & SYSTEM APPROVALS – T. TRUMBLA

Tiffany presented the following and requested approval.

1. Electronic Game Themes

➤ Aristocrat	10
➤ Everi	15
➤ AGS	21
➤ Bally	5
➤ IGT	2
➤ VGT	3
➤ Ainsworth	4
➤ Konami	1

Updated OS/Main Programs

➤ AGS	2
➤ Ainsworth	1

Updated Gaming Components

➤ AGS	3
➤ Everi	1

Class III Game Cabinet

➤ Bally	1
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Director Approved Items

➤ Bally	1
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Commissioner Purcell motioned to approve as listed; seconded by Commissioner Goins. Motion carried.

2. Table & Card Games

Jamie reminded the Commissioners of the Roulette game that was approved in 2018. One aspect that was left off of the recommendation memo was the Blaze animation software, which helps the dealer and players to quickly identify the winning number. The tables are unique and equipped with game animations and illuminations. Jamie requested that Blaze function for the Roulette game be authorized.

Commissioner Purcell motioned to approve; seconded by Commissioner Goins. Motion carried.

3. Systems

Tiffany requested affirmation for the Bally/Shuffle Master's Nexus Command 2.7.1. Game Manager Upgrade that is being used at the Hard Rock, West Siloam Springs Casino, and Roland properties. The system runs the progressive interface on the Shuffle Master games that offer the progressive feature (i.e. Ultimate Texas Hold 'Em, Three

Card Poker, Mississippi Stud, Blazing 7s, etc.). This upgrade received Director's approval on 13 May 2019 to allow Operations to move forward with implementation.

Commissioner Goins motioned to approve; seconded by Commissioner Purcell. Motion carried.

Jamie asked to table C.3 until after Item H, before the Investigations to discuss another system during executive session.

Commissioner Purcell motioned to approve the request; seconded by Commissioner Goins. Motion carried.

D. PROMOTIONS & CALENDAR OF EVENTS – J. BUNCH

Tiffany presented the report and requested approval.

Commissioner Purcell motioned to approve; seconded by Commissioner Goins. Motion carried.

E. TOURNAMENTS – J. BUNCH

Tiffany made the presentation and requested approval.

Commissioner Goins motioned to approve as distributed; seconded by Commissioner Purcell. Motion carried.

F. IN-HOUSE PROGRESSIVE TRANSFERS – J. BUNCH

Tiffany presented and recommended approval for the transfer of retired in-house progressive (IHP) funds to promotional funds for the direct benefit of e-games patrons.

Commissioner Purcell motioned to approve the tournaments as submitted; seconded by Commissioner Goins. Motion carried.

Commissioner Purcell amended her motion to approve the IHP Progressive Transfers; Commissioner Goins accepted the amendment. Motion carried.

G. TRIBAL INTERNAL CONTROL STANDARDS-PROPOSED REVISIONS - J. HUMMINGBIRD

Jamie requested to table this item to the June meeting.

Commissioner Goins motioned to approve the request; seconded by Commissioner Purcell. Motion carried.

H. CNGC 2018 & 2019 AUDIT CYCLE UPDATE – T. ASHER

Traci requested permission to release the Pari-mutuel Wagering audit report that she sent out earlier in the week.

Commissioner Purcell motioned to approve the Pari-mutuel Wagering audit report as submitted; seconded by Commissioner Goins. Motion carried.

Traci announced that the Quarters 1 & 2 follow-up reports were in the packet. These are follow-ups to verify that the corrective actions have been implemented and are requirements of the National Indian Gaming Commission (NIGC). This is for informational purposes only.

Traci made Belinda Fuller available for any questions regarding the Mid-Year Gaming Funds Verification and a Surveillance Review that were included in the packet. There were no questions.

Commissioner Purcell motioned to enter into executive session at 10:25 a.m. for Item C.3, Gaming Systems. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Goins. Motion carried.

Commissioner Goins motioned to exit executive session at 10:36 a.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Purcell. Motion carried.

Commissioner Goins motioned to approve the request; seconded by Commissioner Purcell. Motion carried.

A short break was taken at this time.

I. INVESTIGATIONS, LICENSE ACTIONS & HEARINGS (EXECUTIVE SESSION REQUESTED) – K. MYERS

Commissioner Goins motioned to enter into executive session at 10:49 a.m. for briefings on the hearings and/or investigations and hear each individual as scheduled; seconded by Commissioner Purcell. Motion carried.

Commissioner Purcell motioned to exit executive session at 11:50 a.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Goins. Motion carried

No action was taken during executive session.

Kelly made the following recommendations and requested approval:

Tab 1

Action: Granted approval to reschedule as requested

Tab 2 - Present

Action: Found suitable pending requested documents per CNGC

Tab 3 - Present

Action: License denial

Tab 4

Action: Granted approval to reschedule as requested

Tabs 5-7

Action: Revocation

Commissioner Purcell motioned to approve as recommended; seconded by Commissioner Goins. Motion carried.

DIRECTORS REPORT - J. HUMMINGBIRD

Jamie let his report stand and offered to answer any questions. There were no questions.

OPEN SESSION:

Jamie invited the commissioners to the staff meeting that will be held on Friday, June 14th at the Tenkiller Lodge in Keys.

He also reminded the commissioners of the National Tribal Gaming Commissioners/Regulators (NTGCR) Regulatory Academy held in Green Bay Wisconsin on the week of June 17th and invited them to join.

The June meeting is scheduled on the day that the academy attendees will be traveling back. After discussions to change the date, it was agreed for Jamie to send options to the Commissioners at a later date.

Jamie gave Kudos to Shannon Vahdatipour and her staff for their hard work during the flooding at the Fort Gibson Casino.

ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Purcell motioned to adjourn at 11:58 a.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Goins. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes:


CHAIRMAN SPARKS

6-21-19
DATE