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## CHEROKEE NATION GAMING COMMISSION

**MEETING DATE / LOCATION:**

29 June 2018

Cherokee Nation Gaming Commission  
Conference Room

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:**

John Sparks, Chairman  
Steven Barrick, Vice Chairman (Telephone)  
Jennifer Goins, Commissioner (Telephone)  
Tina Glory-Jordan, Commissioner  
Janice Walters-Purcell, Commissioner

**COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:**

None

**COMMISSION STAFF:**

Jamie Hummingbird, Director  
Tammy Dry, Executive Assistant  
Rhonda Trumbla, Special Projects Officer  
Kelly Myers, Licensing Manager  
Gena Caviness, Compliance Manager  
Bess Warren, Auditor  
Jody Shirrell, Auditor

**CHEROKEE NATION ENTERTAINMENT:**

Gary Weddell, Gaming Operations  
Bear Christensen, Compliance  
Monica Richards, Accounting  
Jennifer Province, Marketing  
Jennifer Watkins, Compliance  
Reba Chambers, Compliance  
Donald Childers, Surveillance & Loss Prevention  
Jerry Keener, Loss Prevention  
Kevin Scrapper, Marketing  
Belinda Fuller, CNB Audit  
Dustin Dye, CNB Audit  
Tim Baker, CNB Legal (Telephone)  
Dena Geib, CNB Legal (Telephone)  
Jennifer Bryant, Human Resources (Telephone)  
David Ledford, IT (Telephone)  
Angela Jobe, IT (Telephone)

**VISITORS:**

Chrissi Nimmo, Office of the Attorney General

# CHEROKEE NATION GAMING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

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## CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Sparks called the meeting to order at approximately 9:39 a.m.

## ROLL CALL:

Present: Chairman Sparks  
Vice-Chairman Barrick  
Commissioner Jordan  
Commissioner Goins  
Commissioner Purcell

Absent: None

A quorum was established.

## APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Commissioner Jordan motioned to approve the original agenda; seconded by Commissioner Purcell and added that the amended agenda was not distributed three (3) days prior to the meeting as required by the Cherokee Nation Administrative Procedures Act (APA). After discussion, Chairman Sparks suggested that the motion to approve the original agenda be passed and that legal counsel be asked to review the procedure for addressing such actions properly in the future. Motion carried.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Chairman Sparks mentioned making change to the third page of the 8 June 2018 minutes; however, no suggested change was verbalized. Commissioner Jordan questioned if actions took place at the 8 June 2018 meeting to remove the old business items since the amended agenda for this day did not include those items. Commissioner Goins stated that those items were removed and tabled to cover at a separate meeting for the sake of time due to today's Cherokee Nation Employee Appreciation Day. Chairman Sparks added that there was no affirmative motion to maintain or remove.

Commissioner Jordan made a motion to not take action and table the 8 June 2018 minutes to the next meeting for further review as to why the old business items were removed from the this meeting's agenda.

Chairman Sparks asked that a clarification be made on page seven (7) under sports betting, specifically the last sentence.

Chairman Sparks clarified the motion to state " a motion to not take action and table the 8 June 2018 minutes to the next meeting with direction to the staff review and confirm action that was taken to schedule all items under old business in the future related to future scheduling of old business items."

Commissioner Jordan withdrew her motion. She motioned to table the 8 June 2018 minutes to the next regularly scheduled meeting and give direction to staff to research an item that was discussed. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Purcell. 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.

**CNE REPORTS:**

A. FINANCIAL REPORT

B. FACILITIES REPORT

The CNE reports were accepted as distributed due to the Cherokee Nation Employee Appreciation Day.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS**

A. PERMITS & LICENSES – K. MYERS

Kelly presented the following and requested approval.

1. Employees

- Seventy-nine (79) individual(s) for temporary permits
- Forty (40) individual(s) for suitability determination
- Sixty-two (62) orders

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

- Two hundred and one (201) renewals for 27 July 2018, including Commissioner Goins.

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

## 2. Vendor & Vendor Representatives

- Zero new company orders
- Eleven (11) individual orders
- Eleven (11) renewals
- One hundred and nine (109) individual renewals for 27 July 2018

Commissioner Purcell asked if the company making the dice is on this list. Kelly explained that the vendor was not on the list; however, the vendor has received a temporary license. The Commission granted a gaming vendor license to the company in 2012; however, the vendor chose not to renew their license earlier this year and is being treated as a new vendor.

Unlike other commissions who do not allow gaming operations to conduct business with vendors until the licensing process is complete, the Commission allows vendors to conduct business after receiving a temporary license. This particular vendor was granted a temporary license to conduct business with CNE

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

Commissioner Jordan asked Jamie to include a follow-up on this with the information he sends.

## B. LICENSE CLASSIFICATIONS – K. MYERS

Kelly presented twelve (12) new license classifications and requested approval.

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

#### C. GAME & SYSTEM APPROVALS – G. CAVINESS

Gena presented the following and requested approval.

##### 1. Electronic Game Themes

➤ Everi	20
➤ IGT	6
➤ Ainsworth	4
➤ Bally	14
➤ AGS	3
➤ VGT	4
➤ Aristocrat	2

##### OS/Main Programs

➤ IGT	1
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##### New Cabinets

➤ Aristocrat	1
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Commissioner Goins motioned to approve as listed; seconded by Commissioner Barrick. Motion carried.

##### 2. Table & Card Games

CNE requested approval for new table game felts for the Hard Rock, West Siloam Springs and Roland facilities; a handout showing the new felts was provided. Gena reviewed all documentation except approval from Surveillance because they have not received a sample felt. This approval will need to be done prior to implementation.

Commissioner Jordan motioned to approve as listed; seconded by Commissioner Purcell.

Commissioner Sparks inquired to when the grand opening will date will be for the balls & dice. Jennifer Province stated that there will be a soft release and they will communicate the date to the commissioners.

The motion was passed.

##### 3. Systems

Gena presented the Everi compliance upgrade which is an upgrade to their Title 31 system. The documentation submissions have been reviewed and the upgrade received prior Director's approval. Gena requested approval for implementation and affirmation of the prior approval.

Commissioner Jordan motioned to approve; seconded by Commissioner Barrick. Motion carried.

#### D. PROMOTIONS & CALENDAR OF EVENTS – J. BUNCH

Gena provided a confidential addendum for Catoosa and made the presentation. She recommended approval as listed in the packet and for the Catoosa addendum.

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

#### E. TOURNAMENTS – J. BUNCH

Gena presented the tournaments and calendar of events and requested approval.

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

#### F. IN-HOUSE PROGRESSIVE TRANSFERS – J. BUNCH

Gena 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 Jordan motioned to approve; seconded by Commissioner Purcell. Motion carried.

#### G. CNGC 2018 AUDIT CYCLE UPDATE – T. ASHER

Bess reported that the Pari-Mutuel Wagering final audit report was included in the packet. She made herself available for questions. There were no questions.

Commissioner Goins motioned to release this audit to the external distribution list; seconded by Commissioner Barrick.

Commissioner Jordan requested an additional month to review this report. Chairman entertained a motion from Commissioner Jordan and recognized the new motion as a superior motion to Commissioner Goins' motion. Commissioner Jordan motioned to table to the next regular scheduled meeting; seconded by Commissioner Purcell. Motion carried.

Jamie requested to combine Items H, I, and J since they are dependent on one another.

Chairman Sparks entertained a motion to adopt the changes listed in Items H, I, and J and to adopt them together. Commissioner Jordan agreed to make that motion; seconded by Commissioner Purcell. Motion carried.

**H. CNGC TRIBAL INTERNAL CONTROL STANDARDS AMENDMENTS-SECTION 8-TABLE GAMES**  
**J. HUMMINGBIRD**

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**I. CNGC CRAPS AND ROULETTE REGULATIONS – J. HUMMINGBIRD**

**J. CNE SICS – J. HUMMINGBIRD**

Jamie reminded the Commissioners of past activity on the language of the Tribal Internal Control Standards (TICS), which is to allow for live wheels and live balls and dice. Based on the comments received through APA process and meetings with CNE Operations, changes were made by both parties to the regulations as well as the policies and procedures that CNE will adopt to carry out the changes in the games. The rule-making process has resulted in a fair and balanced set of regulations as well as internal controls from CNE.

Jennifer Watkins reported that Operations was looking into the discussion over the inspection of the dice when entering the warehouse. They were having trouble in communicating with the vendor on this since the vendor is new. She recalled CNGC had agreed to remove the term “or call bets” from the Craps regulation. Jamie agreed.

Jennifer also reported differences between both parties on the inventory receipt process in the Craps and Mini Craps regulation. After discussions, Chairman Sparks requested to reference the verbiage to reflect flexibility for CNE. An amendment was made as stated below.

A break was taken at 10:16 a.m. and reconvened at 10:47 a.m.

After discussions, Chairman Sparks entertained a motion to amend the motion on the table. The motion is make the following amendments:

- Chapter VII-Section G-SS H 5 – Strike the language and conform the numbering of the portion accordingly.
- Chapter VII-Section G-SS E 1 – Amend to conform to the language provided in Exhibit 1 distributed to the Commission and all in attendance in this meeting

Commissioner Jordan made a motion to amend the regulation as stated above based on the recommendation of both the CNGC Director and CNE representatives; seconded by Commissioner Purcell. Motion carried.

The Chairman returned to Commissioner Jordan's original motion to adopt items H, I, and J, as amended. The vote was unanimous; the motion carried.

**K. INVESTIGATIONS, LICENSE ACTIONS & HEARINGS (EXECUTIVE SESSION REQUESTED) – MYERS/CAVINESS**

Commissioner Jordan motioned to enter into executive session at 10:57 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 and return to regular session at 12:18 p.m.; seconded by Commissioner Jordan. Motion carried.

Jamie made the following recommendations and requested approval.

**Tab 1 - Present**

Action: Extend the conditional license until the successful completion of the differed sentence. Revisit license during renewal to verify the completion.

**Tabs 2**

Action: License revocation

Commissioner Purcell motioned to approve as recommended by the Director; seconded by Commissioner Jordan. Motion carried.

**DIRECTORS REPORT - J. HUMMINGBIRD**

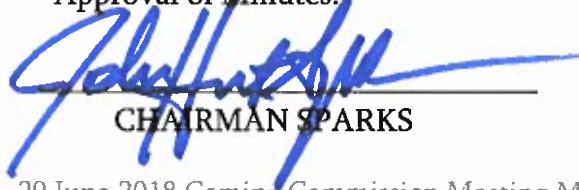
The Director's report was adopted as submitted.

**OPEN SESSION:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Commissioner Barrick motioned to adjourn at 12:25 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Purcell. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes:

  
CHAIRMAN SPARKS

  
DATE