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## CHEROKEE NATION GAMING COMMISSION

**MEETING DATE/ LOCATION:**

20 August 2021

WebEx/Live Conference Hosted:

Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Tulsa – Catoosa, OK  
Multi-Purpose Room

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:**

John Sparks, Chairman (via WebEx)

Richard Hull, Commissioner

Kendra McGeady, Commissioner

**COMMISSION STAFF:**

Janice Walters Purcell, Executive Director

Tiffany Cochran, Compliance Manager

Audra Imhoff, Audit Manager

Meagan Thompson, Licensing Agent

Kelsey Coachman, Clerk I

Mike Moore, Budget Analyst

Jeannie Bunch, Compliance Officer (via WebEx)

**CHEROKEE NATION ENTERTAINMENT:** Gary Weddell, Casino Operations

Bear Christensen, Sr. Director of Compliance

Monica Richards, VP of Finances

Jennifer Provence, VP of Corp. Casino Marketing

Todd Hembree, Legal (via WebEx)

Kyle Culver, Sr. Manager Production Marketing

**VISITORS:**

John Young, Office of the Attorney General (via WebEx)

Eddie Robles, Information Technology

Alexandria Hefner, Information Technology

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### I. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman John Sparks (via WebEx) called the meeting to order at approximately 10:27 A.M.

### II. ROLL CALL:

Present: Chairman Sparks (via WebEx)

Commissioner Hull

Commissioner McGeady

Absent: Commissioner O'Leary

Vacant:

A quorum was established.

### III. MOTION

As a Point of Order, Chairman Sparks motioned to appoint Commissioner Hull as acting Chairman for procedural purposes of facilitating the meeting for the date of 20 August 2021 only, ; seconded by Commissioner McGeady. Motion passes.

### IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

The next item on the Agenda to a Motion to Approve the Agenda for 20 August 2021. Commissioner McGeady motioned to approve the agenda; seconded by Chairman Sparks. Motion passes.

After questions posed by Attorney John Young, Commissioner McGeady motioned to amend the agenda and to table items VIII. G-H. and IX; seconded by Chairman Sparks. Motion carried.

Commissioner McGeady motioned to approve the amended agenda; seconded by Chairman Sparks. Motion carried.

### V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Commissioner McGeady motioned to approve the 23 July 2021 Gaming Commission meeting minutes; seconded by Chairman Sparks. Motion passed.

#### **VI. 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.

#### **VII. CNE REPORTS:**

Commissioner McGeady motioned to enter into Executive Session at 10:35 a.m. to discuss items VI. A-D. The motion was seconded by Chairman Sparks. Motion carried.

- A. FINANCIAL REPORT
- B. FACILITIES REPORT
- C. LITIGATION
- D. REGULATORY

Commissioner McGeady motioned to exit the Executive Session at 11:10 a.m. The Motion was seconded by Chairman Sparks. Motion carried.

Commissioner McGeady motioned to approve VizExplorer Marketing Upgrade. The Motion was seconded by Chairman Sparks. Motion carried.

#### **VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. PERMITS & LICENSES – M. THOMPSON

Meagan Thompson, Licensing, presented the following and requested approval:

##### **1. Employees**

- Forty-one (41) individual(s) for temporary permits
- Fifty-one (51) individual(s) for suitability determinations
- Thirteen (13) license orders
- One Hundred Twenty-Four (124) renewals including a renewal for Chairman Sparks who abstained on the renewal for him.

Commissioner McGeady motioned to approve; seconded by Commissioner Hull. Chairman Sparks abstained from voting. Motion carried.

## 2. Vendor & Vendor Representatives

Meagan Thompson presented the following and requested approval:

- Zero (0) new company orders for 20 August 2021
- Nine (9) individual orders for 20 August 2021
- Seven (7) company renewals for 17 September 2021
- Sixty-Four (64) individual renewals 17 September 2021

Commissioner McGeady motioned to approve as submitted; seconded by Chairman Sparks. Motion carried.

## B. LICENSE CLASSIFICATIONS – M. THOMPSON

Meagan Thompson presented two (2) new or updated license classifications as requested by CNE and requested approval of the following licensing classifications;

Code	Current Job Title	New Job Title
AA1111	Chief Executive Officer	President and Chief Executive Officer
AA1121	Sr. VP and CFO	SVP & CFO

The Licensing Type for each New Job Title is PMO and Both New Job Titles received Executive Director Approval on August 4, 2021.

Commissioner McGeady motioned to approve Executive Director Approval and the New Job Titles; seconded by Chairman Sparks. Motion carried.

## C. GAME & SYSTEM APPROVALS – T. COCHRAN

Tiffany Cochran presented the following:

### 1. Electronic Gaming Machines

#### Electronic Game Themes

➤ Everi	6
➤ IGT	4
➤ Scientific Games	11
➤ Incredible Tech.	2
➤ Aristocrat	2

➤ AGS	6
➤ Konami	6

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**Platform**

➤ Castle Hill	4
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**New Gaming Components**

➤ AGS	1
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**Executive Director Approved Items**

➤ Aristocrat	1
➤ IGT	1

Commissioner McGeady motioned for Approval of the items recommended by CNGC Staff and for Affirmation of Executive Director Approval items as listed; seconded by Chairman Sparks. Motion carried.

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**2. Down Under Blackjack**

Tiffany Cochran reported that CNE submitted and requested approval for Down Under Blackjack with a Match the Dealer bonus wager (side bet). CNGC Compliance recommended approval for the implementation of the new game Down Under Blackjack along with the associated policies and proofs.

Commissioner McGeady motioned to approve the new game Down Under Blackjack along with the associated policies and proofs; seconded by Chairman Sparks. Motion carried.

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**D. SICS MEMO – J. BUNCH**

Jeannie Bunch (via WebEx) reported that CNGC is currently requesting approval for four (4) new SICS submissions and provided details regarding two (2) revised SICS submission. All were referenced in the memorandum from Jeannie Bunch.

Jeannie Bunch made the commissioners aware of one (1) SICS deactivation, which required no action from the Commissioners and the information is provided for notification and/or recordkeeping purposes only.

Commissioner McGeady motioned to approve the four (4) new SICS submissions and the two (2) revised SICS submissions; seconded by Chairman Sparks. Motion carried.

#### **E. IHP TRANSFER REQUEST MEMO – J. BUNCH**

Jeannie Bunch (via WebEx) 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 McGeady motioned to approve as listed the transfer of IHP funds to promotional funds for the direct benefit of e-games patrons, seconded by Chairman Sparks. Motion carried.

#### **F. 21-04 KEY AND ACCESS CONTROL FINAL AUDIT REPORT – A. IMHOFF**

Audra Imhoff presented the 21-04 Key and Access Control Final Audit Report and requested affirmation of approval of issuance of the 21-04 Key and Access Control Final Audit Report.

Point of Order, Executive Director Janice Walters Purcell asked for clarification that the request is for approval and release of 21-04 Key and Access Control Final Audit Report.

Audra Imhoff, Audit Manager responded yes the request is for approval and release of the Audit and there were no findings or issues in this Audit.

Commissioner McGeady motioned to approve and release the 21-04 Key and Access Control Final Audit Report; seconded by Chairman Sparks. Motion carried.

#### **IX. OPEN SESSION:**

Executive Director Purcell thanked Acting Chair Richard Hull. Richard Hull thanked Commissioner Barrick for his work for the Cherokee Nation and the Cherokee Nation Gaming Commission. Executive Director Janice Walters Purcell appreciated Richard Hull for thanking Steven Barrick as he was on the commission for a long time and did a very good job. Commissioner McGeady appreciated it as well, and enjoyed working with Commissioner Barrick as well.

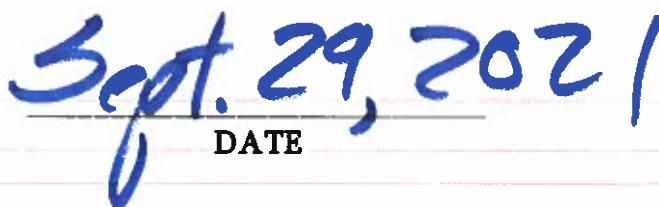
#### **X. ADJOURNMENT:**

Commissioner McGeady motioned to adjourn at 11:33 A.M. The motion was seconded by Chairman Sparks. Motion carried.

#### **Approval of Minutes:**



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