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CHEROKEE NATION GAMING COMMISSION

**MEETING DATE / LOCATION:**

11 October 2019  
Hard Rock Hotel & Casino – Salon C

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:**

John Sparks, Chairman  
Steven Barrick, Commissioner  
Jennifer Goins, Commissioner  
Janice Walters-Purcell, Commissioner  
Linda O'Leary, Commissioner

**COMMISSION STAFF:**

Jamie Hummingbird, Director  
Tammy Dry, Executive Assistant  
Debra Wilson, Administrative Officer  
Traci Asher, Audit Manager  
Tiffany Cochran, Compliance Manager  
Jeannie Bunch, Compliance Officer  
Tamitra McClain, Gaming Agent Supervisor  
Bess Warren, Special Projects Officer

**CHEROKEE NATION ENTERTAINMENT:**

Gary Weddell, Gaming Operations  
Monica Richards, Finance  
Jennifer Watkins, Compliance  
Angelia Jobe, IT  
David Ledford, IT  
Reba Chambers, Compliance  
Joshua Anderson, Surveillance  
Melody Cable, CNB Audit  
Liz Rosebrough, Corporate Gaming  
Bear Christiansen, Compliance  
Kyle Culver, Marketing  
Jennifer Perrier, Marketing  
Dena Geib, Legal  
Jessica Graham, Legal  
Donald Childers, Surveillance & Loss Prevention

**VISITORS:**

John Young, Office of the Attorney General  
Dan Carter, CNB Board  
Shaun Shepherd, CNB Board

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**CALL TO ORDER :**

Chairman Sparks called the meeting to order at approximately 9:53 a.m.

**ROLL CALL:**

Present: Chairman Sparks  
Vice Chairman Barrick  
Commissioner Goins  
Commissioner Purcell  
Commissioner O'Leary

Absent: None

A quorum was established.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Commissioner Purcell motioned to approve the 13 September 2019 meeting minutes; seconded by Commissioner O'Leary. Motion passed.

**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 Barrick motioned to enter into executive session at 9:56 a.m.  
The motion was seconded by Commissioner Goins. Motion carried.

## CNE REPORTS:

### A. FINANCIAL REPORT

### B. FACILITIES REPORT

Commissioner O'Leary motioned to exit executive session at 10:22 a.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Goins. Motion carried.

Reports were received, no action taken.

## OLD BUSINESS:

### A. CNGC TRIBAL INTERNAL CONTROL STANDARDS-PROPOSED REVISIONS – J. HUMMINGBIRD

Jamie reported that Chrissi Nimmo acknowledged the receipt of CNE's comments. Mrs. Nimmo informed Jamie that the Attorney General's office will seek input from outside legal counsel, which may take some time to review and report back to the Commission.

Commissioner Purcell made a motion to receive the comments from CNE and table further action to the first regular meeting after 1 January 2020. The motion was seconded by Commissioner O'Leary. Motion carried.

## NEW BUSINESS

### A. PERMITS & LICENSES – K. MYERS

Jamie presented the following and requested approval.

#### 1. Employees

- One hundred and twenty-two (122) individual(s) for temporary permits
- Seventy two (72) individual(s) for suitability determination
- One hundred and four (104) Orders

All included Commissioner O'Leary.

Commissioner Goins motioned to approve; seconded by Commissioner Barrick. Motion carried. Commissioner O'Leary abstained.

- Two hundred and seventy-four (274) Renewals

Renewals included Commissioner Purcell.

Commissioner Barrick motioned to approve; seconded by Commissioner O'Leary. Motion carried. Commissioner Purcell abstained.

## 2. Vendor & Vendor Representatives

- Zero new company orders for 11 October 2019
- Thirty-seven (37) individual orders for 11 October 2019
- Three (3) company renewals for 8 November 2019
- Thirty-five (35) individual renewals 8 November 2019

Commissioner O'Leary motioned to approve as submitted; seconded by Commissioner Goins. Motion carried.

## B. LICENSE CLASSIFICATIONS – K. MYERS

Jamie presented two (2) license classifications and requested approval.

Commissioner Barrick motioned to approve; seconded by Commissioner O'Leary. Motion carried.

Bear asked for clarification on the position. Jamie reported that it was for a Manager for the Rock Shop and Rock Spa. Dena Geib reported that this may be a temporary designation.

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

Tiffany presented the following:

### 1. Electronic Game Themes

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|-----------|----|
| ➤ Bally   | 19 |
| ➤ Everi   | 10 |
| ➤ AGS     | 16 |
| ➤ Eclipse | 5  |
| ➤ VGT     | 6  |

### **New Main Program**

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| ➤ VGT | 1 |
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**New Class III Gaming Servers**

- Ainsworth 2
- VGT 1

**New Gaming Component(s)**

- Everi 2
- Aristocrat 1
- Ainsworth 3
- VGT 4

**Director Approved Items**

- Interblock 1
- AGS 1
- Konami 4
- Bally 1

Commissioner Goins motioned to approve as listed; seconded by Commissioner O'Leary. Motion carried.

**2. Table & Card Games**

Tiffany reported that CNE submitted a request for approval for three (3) new Table Game Felts. The felts included are one (1) green Fortune 7 Baccarat, one (1) gray guitar standard Craps, and one (1) gray guitar Three Card Poker featuring the 6 card bonus side bet. They were distributed by the CNGC Class A licensed gaming vendor Avalon Gaming and will be utilized at the Hard Rock facility.

Director's approval was granted on 16 September 2019 to allow the operation to move forward on installing the new felts. Tiffany requested affirmation for the approval of the submitted felts.

Commissioner O'Leary motioned to approve; seconded by Commissioner Purcell. Motion carried.

Jamie provided a handout on Bonus Craps that received prior Director's approval. He explained that it was a re-design of the original Bonus Craps prior to the live dice version. Jamie requested affirmation.

Commissioner O'Leary amended her motion to include the Bonus Craps handout; Commissioner Purcell seconded the motion.

Motion to approve as amended. All were in favor with no debate; motion passed.

**Roland Felts**

Tiffany presented a memo for Roland Felts and requested approval.

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

**3. Systems**

None to present

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

Jeannie presented the report and requested approval.

Commissioner Barrick motioned to approve as distributed; seconded by Commissioner O'Leary. Motion carried.

**Roland/Sallisaw Addendum**

Jeannie presented the report and requested approval.

Commissioner O'Leary motioned to approve as distributed; seconded by Commissioner Purcell. Motion carried.

**E. TOURNAMENTS – J. BUNCH**

Jeannie made the presentation and requested approval.

Commissioner Goins motioned to approve as listed; seconded by Commissioner O'Leary. Motion carried.

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

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

#### G. DRAFT OF CNGC 2020 MEETING SCHEDULE – J. HUMMINGBIRD

Commissioner O’Leary motioned to approve; seconded by Commissioner Goins.

Jamie reported that he took the national holidays as well as the Cherokee Nation observed holidays into consideration when preparing this schedule.

Commissioner Goins motioned to amend the schedule to move all CNGC located meetings to the Tahlequah Casino; seconded by Commissioner O’Leary. Motion passed.

#### H. COMPLIMENTARIES MATRIX REVISIONS – J. HUMMINGBIRD

Included in the packet was a request for a configuration change for a comp matrix. CNE was requesting to add the “MKTG-Corp Loyalty” user group to Patron Management. Group will be assigned to Corporate Marketing Loyalty Supervisors. Comp limits are identical to the current host group and the authorization limits are a mixture of host and the users current limits based on functionality needs.

Jamie requested approval for the configuration change request.

Commissioner O’Leary motioned to approve; seconded by Commissioner Barrick. Motion carried.

Jamie also requested approval for an additional configuration change request to create and add a \$10 hotel comp to hotel management.

Commissioner O’Leary amended her motion to include the second request regarding the \$10 comp; seconded by Commissioner Goins.

All commissioners agreed and the motion passed.

#### I. NOTICE OF EXCEPTIONS DATABASE – DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY – J. HUMMINGBIRD

CNE requested delegation of authority be granted to the Director for the approval of this database when ready. Quality Assurance (QA) testing is scheduled to be completed but will not be evaluated till after today. The goal to go-live is October 28, 2019.

Commissioner Barrick motioned to grant the request; seconded by Commissioner Goins. Motion carried.

Jamie will update the commissioners at the next meeting.

**J. CNGC FY 2019 AUDIT CYCLE UPDATE – T. ASHER**

Traci reported they are at the end of the audit cycle for the year and do not have reports in the packet at this time. There are five (5) reports in the final closing status. Three (3) which are the Drop & Count, Key & Access, and Accounting which have been issued in draft form to management for finalization. Two (2) are Gaming Systems and the review of the Tribal Internal Control Systems (TICS) and System of Internal Controls (SICS) for Financial Transaction Reporting. Traci made herself available for questions on the status of the CNGC reports.

CNB submitted four (4) reports in the packet and one review memo. Melody Cable with CNB audit was available to answer questions regarding their reports.

No action was necessary. The reports were received.

**K. INVESTIGATIONS, LICENSE ACTIONS & HEARINGS – K. MYERS**

Commissioner Purcell motioned to enter into executive session at 11:11 a.m. for briefings on the hearings and/or investigations and hear each individual as scheduled. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Goins. Motion carried.

A break was taken at this time.

Commissioner Purcell motioned to exit executive session at 11:45 a.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Goins. Motion carried.

No action was taken during executive session.

Jamie made the following recommendations and requested approval:

**Tab 1**

Action: License revocation

**Tab 2**

Action: License denial

Commissioner O'Leary motioned to approve; seconded by Commissioner Goins. Motion passed.



DIRECTORS REPORT - J. HUMMINGBIRD

GAT – Jamie reported that Wednesday night (10/09/19) was the first trial for the new Game Authentication Terminal. Tamitra reported that the process was significantly faster. With GAT they went from thirty (30) minute software verification per machine to 4 minutes total. Jamie gave kudos to Tamitra and her staff.

TICS, SICS, and MICS Violations – Jamie reported that there were self-reported violations. A Revenue Audit Manager directed her staff to not conduct the daily reconciliations of the in-house progressive machines. They recently found that they were not being done and are going to take steps to correct it. CNGC will be looking into it to see if anything more was compromised.

Notice of Exception System – CNGC was alerted that the original database was disabled and lost. CNE had to work on completing them outside of an electronic system. The database was reinstated fourteen (14) hours later and CNGC will take a look into it. It may have been mitigated by the new software, but Jamie will report to the commissioners when it is completed.

OTGRA – The Oklahoma Tribal Gaming Regulatory Association fall conference is taking place on October 28-30, 2019. There will be a session on the FBI fingerprinting process changes. Jamie handed out some information to the commissioners. Jamie stated that they may need legal advice and will get with Chairman Sparks and the legal counsel. NIGC is still working on it and touching base with the FBI as well. Jamie added that they are working on a presentation at the November meeting and will be asking for action.

OPEN SESSION:

Jamie gave Commissioner Goins a birthday gift and everyone wished her a happy belated birthday as she was not present at the September meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Purcell motioned to adjourn at 11:57 a.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner O'Leary. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

  
CHAIRMAN SPARKS

  
DATE