

OHIO CASINO CONTROL COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
10:00 A.M. – April 17, 2013
RHODES TOWER, LOBBY HEARING ROOM
30 W. BROAD STREET
COLUMBUS, OHIO 43215

The regular meeting of the Ohio Casino Control Commission was called to order at 10:10 a.m. by Chair Jo Ann Davidson. Commissioners McKinley Brown, Ranjan Manoranjan, Peter Silverman, John Steinhauer, and June Taylor were also in attendance. Commissioner Martin Hoke had an excused absence. The minutes of the March 20, 2013 meeting were approved following a motion by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Manoranjan.

Executive Director Schuler began his report to the Commission with a review of a recent tour of the Hollywood Casino Columbus by the Joint Committee on Gaming and Wagering. The Committee was created by the Legislature to review all policies, laws and rules relating to gaming in the State of Ohio, and to provide policy guidance to the General Assembly. Executive Director Schuler made a presentation to the Committee of the various responsibilities of the OCCC. Mr. Schuler introduced OCCC Division Directors for their reports to the Commission:

David Acosta, Director of Licensing, said 5,269 employee gaming licenses have been issued to date. The State of Ohio's e-licensing system is now able to show employee history.

Patrick Martin, Director of Regulatory Compliance, reported activity within the Division is primarily in three areas; ad hoc auditing, roll-out of the annual audit procedure, and issues that are statewide, such as legal and employee management.

Karen Huey, Director of Enforcement, explained ongoing enforcement activity at the casinos, and noted that Cleveland Horseshoe Casino had recently been tested by a power outage and a fire alarm requiring an evacuation.

Laura Clemens, Director of Government Affairs and Problem Gambling Program Coordinator, reported that the statewide Problem Gambling Helpline had its busiest month ever in March. Voluntary Exclusion Program participants are still predominantly men with an increase in the under age 30 demographic. Ms. Clemens participated in a statewide college wellness seminar on gambling prevention and will be reporting on survey results from that seminar.

Rick Anthony, Director of Operations, and Noah Browning, Fiscal Officer, reviewed revenue and expenditure figures. Mr. Anthony noted that revenue disbursements are made during the month following the end of a fiscal year quarter.

Executive Director Schuler also reviewed the broad range of issues being followed by the Commission staff on a daily basis, such as operator financial changes; day to day compliance

with internal controls at all four casinos; 24/7 enforcement operations; and constantly changing vendor key employees that require new investigations.

Anna Marin Russell, OCCC Financial and Tax Investigation Counsel, presented four Key Employee License applications to the Commission for consideration:

1. Herman Campuzano – Caesars Entertainment Corporation
2. Gary R. DeWitt – Ohio Gaming Ventures LLC
3. James V. Nasca – Caesars Cincinnati LLC
4. Rashad O. Wilson – Ohio Gaming Ventures LLC

Commissioner Steinhauer made a motion to adopt Commission Resolution 2013-12, approving the Key Employee Licenses. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Silverman and approved.

Patrick Martin, Director of Regulatory Compliance, presented amendments to internal controls being requested by three casinos. The proposed changes were considered by the Commission as three separate proposals:

1. Hollywood Casino Toledo requested definition clarifications, technical changes resulting from recent audits, and authorization for online credit applications. A motion to approve the proposed changes was made by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Brown, and approved.
2. Horseshoe Casino Cincinnati requested changes to the found money thresholds, authority for a process for temporary gaming employee IDs, and a change in security access to certain areas. A motion to approve the proposed changes was made by Commissioner Manoranjan, seconded by Commissioner Taylor, and approved.
3. Horseshoe Casino Cleveland requested the removal of non-functioning table games, additions to the listing of sensitive access keys, and a minor re-organization in their Security Department. A motion to approve the proposed changes was made by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Brown and approved.

Executive Director Schuler presented a proposed Settlement Agreement between Horseshoe Cleveland Management and the OCCC. Mr. Schuler explained that there are issues that can be resolved internally, issues that require action, and still larger issues that are required by statute to be handled with penalties. The proposed Settlement before the Commission would resolve issues that arose regarding Horseshoe's general and gaming operations. John Barron, Commission Deputy Executive Director and General Counsel, said that a notice of violation has been reviewed by the Commission, formally signed by Horseshoe Cleveland, and the fine paid. With Commission approval, the settlement will become final. A motion to make the settlement approval final was made by Commissioner Steinhauer, seconded by Commissioner Brown, and approved.

John Barron, OCCC Deputy Executive Director and General Counsel, reviewed the final orders for gaming employee license applicants before the Commission. The license applications of six individuals were considered:

In re: Dequan Thurston, (Case # 2012-0177), Chair Davidson made a motion to approve and adopt the recommendation of the Hearing Examiner, to revoke the casino gaming employee license. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Taylor and approved.

In re: Anthony Zingale, (Case # 2012-0169), Chair Davidson made a motion to approve and adopt, with modifications recommended by staff, the recommendation of the Hearing Examiner, to revoke the casino gaming employee license. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown and approved.

In re: Daniel Ogletree, (Case # 2012-00178), Chair Davidson made a motion to revoke the casino gaming employee license. Mr. Ogletree had not requested a hearing. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Steinhauer and approved.

The casino gaming employee license applications for three additional applicants were brought before the Commission for final orders. Upon notification by the OCCC of the intent to deny their licenses, these three applicants chose not to request a hearing. Chair Davidson made a motion to deny the license applications. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown and approved.

There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Signed,

Katherine L. Kelly

Commission Clerk

Approved: May 15, 2013