

OHIO CASINO CONTROL COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
10:00 A.M. – September 16, 2015
RHODES TOWER, LOBBY HEARING ROOM
30 W. BROAD STREET
COLUMBUS, OHIO 43215

The regular meeting of the Ohio Casino Control Commission (OCCC) was called to order at 10:09 a.m. by Chair Jo Ann Davidson. Commissioners McKinley Brown, Martin Hoke, Will Lucas, Ranjan Manoranjan, John Steinhauer, and June Taylor were also in attendance. The minutes of the August 19, 2015 meeting were approved following a motion by Commissioner Lucas, seconded by Commissioner Taylor.

Executive Director Schuler began his report indicating the American Gaming Association (AGA) held a roundtable discussion at Hollywood Casino Columbus (HCO) as part of its “Get to Know Gaming” campaign. The campaign is focused on the gaming economic impact in states where it is permitted. Congresswoman Joyce Beatty and Congressman Steve Stivers joined General Manager Himbert Sinopoli, AGA President Geoff Freeman, and other local leaders on the panel.

Next, Mr. Schuler reported the Licensing Division had recently traveled to Horseshoe Casino Cincinnati (UCI) for a licensing event to collect fingerprints, applications, and renewal application information for casino gaming and key employees. A total of 320 renewal applications were taken over 2 days.

Mr. Schuler then announced the Legal Division, along with Human Resources, would be traveling in the near future to each of the Commission offices to conduct the Commission’s annual ethics training. He also, reported that the Compliance auditors have completed a series of follow-up surveillance audits at both UCI and Horseshoe Casino Cleveland (UCL). These audits were conducted to monitor UCI and UCL’s progress in addressing conditions contained in recent settlement agreements.

Mr. Schuler ended his report stating the Commission would be in attendance at the next Joint Committee on Gaming and Wagering on September 17, 2015, and the Commission’s annual report had recently been submitted to the Governor’s Office.

Aleah Page, Manager of Vendor & Operator Licensing, then presented to the Commission for consideration, a Key Employee renewal application for one individual. The OCCC Division of Licensing and Investigations completed background investigations of the applicant, and Ms. Page recommended approval of Commission Resolution 2015-32, granting a three-year key employee renewal license to Robert Jackson, Vice President of Sales, Gaming Partners, Inc. A motion to approve the Resolution was made by Commissioner Steinhauer. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hoke and approved.

Michelle Siba, Assistant General Counsel, presented to the Commission for consideration, rule amendments for final filing. Ms. Siba explained that the Commission approved amendments to Ohio Adm. Codes: 3772-9-05, 3772-9-11, 3772-10-07, 3772-10-09, 3772-10-22, 3772-10-23, 3772-10-29, 3772-11-14, 3772-11-18, 3772-11-21, 3772-11-22, 3772-11-23, 3772-11-33, 3772-11-34, 3772-11-37, and 3772-13-03 (Amendments) at the April 15, 2015 public meeting. After receiving initial approval of the Amendments, Ms. Siba indicated Commission staff had prepared and filed a Business Impact Analysis and the Amendments with the Common Sense Initiative Office (CSIO). The CSIO was noted to have reviewed and subsequently authorized the Commission to proceed with filing the Amendments

with the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review (JCARR). Commissioner Steinhauer made a motion to adopt Commission Resolution 2015-33, approving final filing of the rule amendments. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hoke and approved.

Patrick Martin, Director of Regulatory Compliance, presented amendments to Internal Controls being requested by three of the four casinos. HCO did not request any changes. All the proposed changes had been reviewed and recommended by the OCCC staff.

- Hollywood Casino Toledo (HWT) sought mostly organizational changes to its General, Player Services, Information Technology, Key Control, Responsible Gaming (RG), Security, Slots, and Table Games plans. Of particular significance, HWT made some long-requested changes to its Level 3 closing procedures, and improvements to missing key handling procedures. Additionally, HWT requested post-audit changes to its RG plan, and clarification changes to its table game progressive fund disbursement procedures. Commissioner Lucas made a motion to approve the proposed changes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown and approved.
- UCI requested changes to its Cage, Credit, Table Games, Internal Audit, and Promotional Plans. Importantly, UCI included revised alcohol complimentary language, and language regarding two new table games, Free Bet blackjack and DJ Wild Stud poker, that are already being used at its sister property in Cleveland. Commissioner Manoranjan made a motion to approve the proposed changes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown and approved.
- UCL sought changes to its Cage, Credits, Slots, Tables, and Promotional plans, due to minor changes that were previously made to the Table Games plan. Particularly, UCL decided to include Ohio Administrative Code references for headings in that plan. Additionally, the Slot Operations plan was re-worked, and UCI's alcohol complimentary rule was mirrored in the Promotions section. Commissioner Taylor made a motion to approve the proposed changes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lucas and approved.

John Barron, OCCC Deputy Executive Director and General Counsel, then presented four final orders to the Commission for consideration:

In re: Jesse Davis, Jr. (Case #2015-LIC-005), a hearing was not requested. Chair Davidson made a motion to deny the CGE License Application for Jesse Davis, Jr. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Taylor and approved.

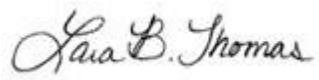
In re: Gregory McDowell (Case #2015-LIC-008), a hearing was not requested. Chair Davidson made a motion to deny the CGE License Application for Gregory McDowell. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown and approved.

In re: Eric Meyer (Case #2015-LIC-009), a hearing was not requested. Chair Davidson made a motion to revoke the CGE License for Eric Meyer. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Manoranjan and approved.

In re: Brandon Woodland (Case #2015-LIC-004), a hearing was not requested. Chair Davidson made a motion to revoke the CGE License for Brandon Woodland. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hoke and approved.

There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned.

Signed,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lara B. Thomas". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Lara B. Thomas
Commission Secretary

Approved: October 21, 2015