

STATE OF MICHIGAN
MICHIGAN GAMING CONTROL BOARD

PUBLIC MEETING
Cadillac Place Hearing Room and Via Zoom
3062 W. Grand Blvd., Suite L-700
Detroit, Michigan 48202

August 15, 2023, 9:30 a.m.
MEETING MINUTES

On Tuesday August 15, 2023, the Michigan Gaming Control Board held a public meeting, in person and via Zoom, at the Board's office in Cadillac Place, 3062 W. Grand Boulevard, Suite L-700, Detroit, Michigan 48202.

Present: In attendance were the following Board Members:

Linda Forte, Chair
Joni Thrower Davis
Deidre Lambert-Bounds

Also attending:

Henry Williams, Executive Director
Derek Mathis, Board Analyst
Bethany McCune, Assistant Attorney General
Mr. Jason Geissler, Assistant Attorney General
D/F/Lt. Marcus Trammel, MSP
Lisa Keith, Communications Specialist

Business:

Ms. Forte called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. and Board Members Joni Thrower-Davis and Deidre Lambert-Bounds were present. Board Member Andy Palms was not present.

There was no preliminary business to discuss.

Ms. Forte stated the first order of business was to approve the minutes from the Board's regular public meeting held June 13, 2023. It was noted Board Members previously received copies of the minutes. Board Members were asked if there were any questions, concerns, or corrections; there were none.

A motion was made by Ms. Lambert-Bounds and supported by Ms. Thrower Davis that the Board accept and approve the minutes of the June 13, 2023, regular public meeting. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried.

Mr. Williams began his presentation of the Executive Director's Report to the Board.

Mr. Williams reported the legislature passed and Governor Whitmer signed the bipartisan 2024 budget, which supports the Michigan Gaming Control Board's regulatory efforts by providing 16 new FTE's, \$2 million one-time appropriation for our accounts receivable system, and \$3 million in ongoing funding for our responsible gaming messaging campaign.

Mr. Williams further discussed the Michigan Gaming Control Board's partnership with King Media which earned a 2023 Platinum Viddy Award for the "Don't Regret the Bet" campaign. Mr. Williams went on to thank Board Member Lambert-Bounds for her assistance with discussions with King Media on expectations and outcomes during this process. Mr. Williams also went on to thank the Responsible gaming team led by Sandra Johnson. Mr. Williams further presented Responsible Gaming's new marketing tool for the campaign, which is a wrapped vehicle that was shown on the screen during Mr. Williams presentation.

Mr. Williams went on to congratulate Derek Mathis on his promotion from Board Analyst to Manager, and Kurt Steinkamp on his promotion to Chief of Staff of the Michigan Gaming Control board.

Lastly, Mr. Williams presented gambling treatment information which details a 24-hour toll-free helpline at 1-800-270-7117. Mr. Williams concluded his report.

First regular agenda item the Board considered for approval was the recommendation of the Executive Director and the Casino Operations Division's Employee Licensing staff regarding the 180 Level 1 and Level 2 occupational license applications.

There being no questions from Board Members, it was moved by Board Member Ms. Thrower Davis and supported by Ms. Lambert Bounds that the Board enter an Order accepting and adopting the recommendations. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried.

The next agenda item was consideration of the Licensing & Investigations Division's recommendation regarding the pending supplier license application requests of 1X2 Network America Inc., Football 1X2 Limited, Gaming Arts, LLC, Playzido Limited, Shield Security Consultants and Protection Services LLC, SIG Sports Analytics Holdings, Inc., Technologies HUB Ltd.

There were no questions from Board members. Ms. Lambert-Bounds made a motion for approval which was supported by Ms. Thrower-Davis. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

Next agenda item was consideration of the Licensing & Investigations Division's recommendations regarding the pending supplier license renewal requests of A.J.R. Equities, Inc., Baratta Brothers, Inc. d/b/a Fairway Packing Company, Inc., Galaxy Gaming, Inc., Gaming Laboratories International, LLC, Gaming Partners International USA, Inc. d/b/a GPI USA with New Key Person Hiroshi Matsumoto, Interblock Luxury Gaming Products, LLC d/b/a Interblock D.o.o., JMC Electrical Contractor, LLC d/b/a JMC Technology Group, Stadium Technology Group, LLC, Turner Electrical Services, LLC, Unique Linen Services, Inc.

There being no questions from Board Members, Ms. Lambert-Bounds supported the motion put forth by Ms. Thrower Davis that the Board enter Orders finding the suppliers and their qualifiers eligible and suitable for license renewal and, accordingly, grant the requests for a one-year period. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

Next was consideration by the Board of the Licensing & Investigations Division's recommendations regarding the suitability of New Key Persons of supplier licensees Aristocrat Technologies, Inc. with New Key person Jennifer Daniel Aument, Banach Technology Limited with New Key persons Hadrien Thibaut Emile Germain Lepretre and William Warwick Grounds, BetMGM d/b/a Roar Digital with New Key person Benjamin Saul Winston, PointsBet Michigan LLC with New Key person William Warwick Grounds. Board Members did not have any questions

therefore, Ms. Lambert-Bounds put forth a motion for approval. The motion was supported by Ms. Thrower-Davis. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

Next agenda item was consideration of the Licensing & Investigations Division's recommendations regarding the pending request for Exemption of Institutional Investors of Supplier Licensee NeoGames Solutions LLC, d/b/a NeoGames with New Institutional Investor FMR LLC, d/b/a Fidelity Investment. Board Members did not have any questions therefore, Ms. Thrower Davis put forth a motion for approval. The motion was supported by Ms. Lambert-Bounds. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

The Board next considered the Casino Operations Division's recommendation regarding the Acknowledgement of Violation of Casino Licensee MGM Grand Casino, LLC, d/b/a MGM Grand Detroit Casino. There were no questions from Board Members. Ms. Lambert-Bounds made the motion for approval which was supported by Ms. Thrower-Davis. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

Next agenda item was consideration of the Licensing & Investigations Division's recommendations regarding the pending casino license renewal requests of MGM Grand Detroit, LLC d/b/a MGM Grand Detroit Casino, with New Key Persons Mark McDonald Strawn and Benjamin Saul Winston. Mrs. Forte asked if there was a representative from MGM present who would like to address to Board. COO at MGM Grand, Mr. Buckley addressed the board and provided his thanks to the Gaming Board staff and Board Members. There were no questions from Board Members. Ms. Thrower-Davis made the motion for approval which was supported by Ms. Lambert-Bounds. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

Next agenda item was consideration of the Licensing & Investigations Division's recommendations regarding the pending casino license renewal requests of Detroit Entertainment LLC, d/b/a MotorCity Casino. Mrs. Forte asked if there was a representative from MotorCity present who would like to address to Board. President of MotorCity, Mr. Dall addressed to board and provided his thanks to the Gaming Board staff and Board Members. There were no questions from Board Members. Ms. Lambert-Bounds made the motion for approval which was supported by Ms. Thrower-Davis. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

Next agenda item was consideration of the Licensing & Investigations Division's recommendations regarding the pending casino license renewal requests of Greektown Casino LLC, d/b/a Hollywood Casino at Greektown. Mrs. Forte asked if there was a representative from Greektown present who would like to address to Board. General Manager of Greektown, Mr. Drake addressed to board and provided his thanks to the Gaming Board staff and Board Members. There were no questions from Board Members. Ms. Lambert-Bounds made the motion for approval which was supported by Ms. Thrower-Davis. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

The Board next considered is the Acknowledgement of Violation of supplier licensee WSI US, LLC, WynnBet. There were no questions from Board Members. Ms. Thrower-Davis made the motion for approval which was supported by Ms. Lambert-Bounds. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried.

The Board next considered the Casino Operations Division's recommendation regarding the Proposal for Decision of occupational licensee Tiffany Miller. Assistant Attorney General Bethany McCune summarized the facts of the Violation. There were no questions from Board Members. Ms. Thrower-Davis made the motion for approval which was supported by Ms. Lambert-Bounds. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried.

Mr. Williams informed Ms. Forte to revisit Item G, to ensure approval and put forth motion of New Key persons Mark McDonald Strawn and Benjamin Saul Winston for the renewal of MGM Grand Casino, LLC, d/b/a MGM Grand Detroit Casino. Ms. Lambert Bounds made the motion for approval which was supported by Ms. Thrower Davis. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

Mrs. Forte addressed other business to consider which was the proposed draft of the 2023/2024 public meeting schedule. There were no questions from Board Members. Ms. Lambert-Bounds made the motion for approval which was supported by Ms. Thrower Davis. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried.

The next line item was to consider rescinding certain October 18, 2022, Board Orders and entering new orders approving the eligibility and suitability of certain supplier licensee key persons and exempting certain Institutional Investors from the eligibility and suitability requirements for Banach Technology Limited, Pala Interactive, LLC, and PointsBet Michigan, LLC. Ms. Thrower-Davis made the motion for approval which was supported by Ms. Lambert-Bounds. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried.

The next line item was to consider rescinding certain June 7, 2022, and October 18, 2022, Board Orders and granting exemptions to certain Institutional Investors from the eligibility and suitability requirements for American Wager, Inc. d/b/a William Hill Sports Book and Crown MI Gaming LLC, d/b/a DraftKings. Ms. Lambert-Bounds made the motion for approval which was supported by Ms. Thrower-Davis. A voice vote was taken. Motion carried.

There were no request from the public to address the Board.

Ms. Forte then announced the Board's next regular public meeting would be held October 17, 2023, at 9:30 a.m.

Ms. Forte then asked for a motion to go into closed session. Ms. Thrower Davis made the motion which was supported by Ms. Lambert-Bounds. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

Following the closed session, the public meeting resumed, and a voice vote was taken to approve the minutes from the June 13, 2023, closed session. Motion carried.

Ms. Thrower Davis then made a motion to adjourn the public meeting which was supported by Ms. Lambert-Bounds. A roll call voice vote was taken. Motion carried.

Ms. Forte adjourned the meeting at 10:25 a.m.

Derek Mathis

Derek Mathis, Board Analyst