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CHEROKEE NATION GAMING COMMISSION

MEETING DATE / LOCATION:

**March 7, 2025
Chota Center, Cherokee Casino
3307 Seven Clans Ave
Tahlequah, Ok, 74464**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

**John Sparks, Chairman
Frank DeLozier, Commissioner
Dwight Birdwell, Commissioner
Richard Hull, Commissioner
Linda O'Leary, Commissioner**

COMMISSION STAFF:

**Audra Imhoff, Executive Director
Cody Quetone, Licensing Manager
Indy Hicks, CNGC IT
Kelsey Vann, Compliance Manager
Tim Forrest, Audit Manager
Amy Calico, Executive Assistant**

CHEROKEE NATION ENTERTAINMENT:

**Angelia Jobe, CNE IT
Bear Christensen, CNE Compliance
Zachary Nix, CNE Accounting
Reba Chambers, CNE Compliance
Kyle Culver, CNE Marketing
BJ Harrington, Corporate Gaming
Erica Martindale, CNB Audit
Jon Warden, CNE Surveillance Technology
Mickey Ward, CNE Operations
Jennifer Watkins, CNE Compliance**

VISITORS:

**Greg Calvert, CN Office of the Attorney General
Todd Hembree, CNB Legal
Melvina Shotpouch, CN Tribal Council**

CHEROKEE GAMING COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
March 7, 2025

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Commissioner Sparks called the meeting to order at 9.34am.

II. ROLL CALL:

Amy Calico called Roll.

Present: Chairman Sparks
Commission DeLozier
Commissioner Birdwell
Commissioner Hull
Commissioner O'Leary

Absent:

Five (5) Commissioners were present, and a quorum was established.

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

The Chair entertained the Motion to approve the Agenda. Commissioner Hull made the motion to approve the Agenda; Seconded by Commissioner O'Leary. The Motion carried and the Agenda was approved.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The Chair entertained the Motion to approve the February 7, 2025, Minutes. Commissioner DeLozier made the Motion to approve the Minutes; Seconded by Commissioner Hull. Any questions, any debate. Motion passes.

V. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:

VI. CNE REPORTS:

The Chair entertained the motion to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of receiving the CNE Reports and Executive Director's report. Commissioner O'Leary made the motion to enter into Executive Session; Seconded by Commissioner DeLozier.

The Motion carried and the Commission entered into Executive Session to discuss items VI.A-F and VII at 9:37 am.

- A. Financial
- B. Facilities
- C. Project Fusion Updates
- D. Litigation
- E. Compacts

VII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- A. NIGC
- B. Executive Director's Report

The reports under item VI.A- E and VII. A-B were received in Executive Session and no action was taken. The Chair entertains the Motion to exit Executive Session. Commissioner O'Leary made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner DeLozier. The Motion passes to exit Executive Session and Enter Open Session at 10:02 am.

Chairman Sparks exits during Executive Session meeting. Presiding Commissioner Hull takes Acting Chair.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS:

None.

IX. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Permits & Licenses-

- 1. Employees Temporary:

The Acting Chair Hull entertained the Motion to approve the Fifty (50) Temporary Permits, Nineteen (19) Suitability Determinations and Twenty-Four (24) Orders. Commissioner DeLozier made the Motion to Approve; Seconded by Commissioner O'Leary. Any questions; any debate. Motion passes.

- 2. Employees Renewal:

The Acting Chair Hull entertained the Motion to Approve the One Hundred (100) Renewals. Commissioner DeLozier made the Motion to Approve; Seconded by Commissioner O'Leary. Any questions; any debate. Motion passes. Commissioner Birdwell abstained from the vote.

- 3. Vendor New Company:

The Acting Chair Hull entertained the Motion to Approve Four (4) Individual Orders for March 7, 2025. Commissioner O'Leary made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner DeLozier. Any questions; any debate. Motion passes.

4. Vendor Renewals:

The Acting Chair Hull entertained the Motion to Approve Sixteen (16) Individual Renewals for April 4, 2025. Commissioner DeLozier made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner Birdwell. Any questions; any debate. Motion passes.

5. License Classifications

The Acting Chair Hull entertained a Motion to Affirm the previously provided licensing approvals from the Executive Director. The 3 PMO & 4 Key Positions listed in the License Classification. Commissioner O'Leary made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner DeLozier. Any questions; any debate. Motion passes.

B. Game & System Approvals

1. Electronic Gaming Machine Approvals – K. Vann

The Acting Chair Hull entertains the Motion to Approve the following items as listed in EGM Memo:

- 94 new electronic game themes
- 10 new gaming components
- 2 new OS/main programs
- 1 new gaming cabinets

Commissioner O'Leary made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner Birdwell. Any questions or debate. The Motion passes.

2. Electronic Gaming Machine Affirmations – K. Vann

The Acting Chair Hull entertains the Motion to Affirm the Seven (7) Executive Director's approvals previously granted as listed in EGM Memo:

- 4 new electronic game themes
- 1 new gaming component
- 2 new OS/main programs

Commissioner O'Leary made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner Birdwell. The Chair asked for any question, no questions. The Motion passes, the approvals were affirmed.

3. Oosto On Watch – K. Vann

The Acting Chair Hull entertained a Motion to Approve the request for upgrade and implementation of Oosto On Watch software as submitted in the packet. Commissioner O’Leary made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner Birdwell. Any questions; any debate. Motion passes.

4. OPTX Comp Matrix – K. Vann

The Acting Chair Hull entertained a Motion to Affirm the previously provided approval for the OPTX Comp Matrix. Commissioner O’Leary made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner Birdwell. Any questions; any debate. Motion passes.

C. IHP Removal Transfer Request Memo – K. Vann

The Acting Chair Hull entertained the Motion to Release The Requested Retired Progressive Funds to Promotions. Commissioner Birdwell made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner O’Leary. Motion passes.

D. Miscellaneous Payment Form – K. Vann

The Acting Chair Hull entertained the Motion to Approve the changes to the Miscellaneous Payment Forms as illustrated. Commissioner DeLozier made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner O’Leary. Any questions or debate. Motion passes.

E. Promotions – K. Vann

The Acting Chair Hull entertained the Motion to Approve the previously provided Executive Director Approvals enclosed in the packet. Commissioner O’Leary made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner Birdwell. Motion passes.

The Acting Chair Hull entertained the Motion to Approve the Corporate promotions enclosed in the packet. Commissioner O’Leary made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner DeLozier. Motion passes.

F. Tournaments – K. Vann

The Acting Chair Hull entertained the Motion to Approve the previously provided Executive Director Approvals for four Tournaments enclosed in the packet. Commissioner DeLozier made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner Birdwell. Motion passes.

G. Audit Implementation Review (Q2) Information Only – T. Forrest

The Acting Chair Hull requested unanimous consent to let the record reflect that the information was received without objection and the order be reflected in the minutes. Timothy Forrest stated, "We were able to close out one of the two outstanding issues listed in the packet."

H. Investigations, Licenses, & Hearings – C. Quetone

The Acting Chair Hull entertained the Motion to move into Executive Session for the purpose of receiving the Investigations, Licenses, and Hearing. Commissioner O'Leary made the motion to enter into Executive Session; Seconded by Commissioner DeLozier. The Motion carried and the Commission entered Executive Session at approximately 10:37am.

The Acting Chair Hull entertained the Motion to exit Executive Session. Commissioner O'Leary made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner Birdwell. The Motion passes to exit Executive Session and Enter Open Session at 11:08am.

OPEN SESSION

Motion to Continue Licensing hearing for employee 32824 in Tahlequah on May 30, 2025, at 9:30am. The Licensee is advised to appear. Failure to appear; will result in a denial of their conditional license. Commissioner DeLozier made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner O'Leary. Any debate. Motion Passes.

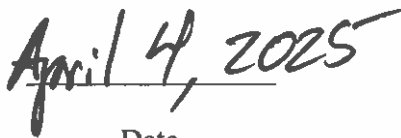
The Acting Chair Hull entertained the Motion to Amend the Motion to Continue the conditional license for employee 32824 until May 30, 2025. Commissioner DeLozier made the Motion to Amend; Seconded by Commissioner O'Leary. Motion passes.

X. ADJOURNMENT

The Acting Chair Hull entertained the Motion to Adjourn. Commissioner O'Leary made the Motion; Seconded by Commissioner Birdwell. The Motion carried and the Commission adjourned the meeting at 11:14am.

Approval of Minutes:


Acting Chairman - Commissioner Richard Hull


Date