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CHEROKEE NATION GAMING COMMISSION

MEETING DATE / LOCATION: 29 July 2022
Conference Hosted:
Multi-Purpose Room, Hard Rock Hotel and Casino, Catoosa, OK

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Kendra McGeady, Vice-Chairwoman
Richard Hull, Commissioner
Frank DeLozier, Commissioner

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: John Sparks, Chairman
Linda O'Leary, Commissioner

COMMISSION STAFF: Janice Walters Purcell, Executive Director
Mikal Yahola, Clerk
Audra Imhoff, Audit Manager
Tristan Trumbla, Gaming Systems Analyst
Chelsey Collins, Special Project Analyst

CHEROKEE NATION ENTERTAINMENT: Gary Weddell, Casino Operations
Bear Christensen, Sr. Director of Compliance
Todd Hembree, CNB Legal
Paiten Qualls, CNB Legal
Angelia Jobe, IT Manager
Lori Holt, CNB Ethics Manager
Jesus Moreno, CNB IT Audit
Kyle Culver, CNE Corporate Marketing
Monica Richards, CNE Finance

VISITORS: Joe Deer, CN Tribal Council
Johnny Kidwell, CN Tribal Council
Gregory Calvert, CN Office of the Attorney General
I. CALL TO ORDER:

Vice-Chairwoman McGeady called the meeting to order at 9:45 AM.

II. ROLL CALL:

Mikal Yahola called Roll.
Present: Vice-Chairwoman McGeady
Commissioner Hull
Commissioner DeLozier

Absent: Chairman Sparks
Commissioner O'Leary

Three (3) commissioners were present and a quorum was established.

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Vice-Chair McGeady, next item on the agenda is the approval of the agenda.
Commissioner DeLozier motions to approve the agenda; seconded by Commissioner Hull. Motion carried.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Vice-Chair McGeady, the next item is the approval of the minutes.
Commissioner Hull stated a correction needed to be made to the minutes on page 3, under Item V. Introduction of Guests. The line states, “Vice-Chair McGeady asked all guests...” which instead should be “Chairman Sparks asked all guests...”
Commissioner Hull motioned to approve the minutes with the amendment made; Seconded by Commissioner DeLozier. Motion carried.

V. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:
Vice-Chair McGeady, next item is the introduction of guests. 
Vice-Chair McGeady asked all guests to stand and introduce themselves. 
Introductions were made by attendees from Cherokee Nation Gaming Commission (CNGC), Cherokee Nation Entertainment (CNE), Cherokee Nation Business (CNB), Cherokee Nation (CN), and guests.

VI. CNE REPORTS:

Vice-Chair McGeady, next item is the CNE Reports. Commissioner Hull motions to enter into Executive Session; Seconded by Commissioner DeLozier. The motion carried and the Commission entered into Executive Session at approximately 9:48 AM.

A. FINANCIAL REPORT

B. FACILITIES REPORT

C. LITIGATION

D. REGULATORY

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E. COMPACTS

F. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The reports under item VI. A., B., C., D., E., and F. were received in Executive Session and no action was taken. Commissioner Hull motioned to exit Executive Session; Seconded by Commissioner DeLozier. Motion carried and the Commission exited Executive Session at approximately 10:25 AM.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

Having no points under VII. Old Business, no action was taken and the Commission moved on to VIII. New Business.
VIII. **NEW BUSINESS**

Vice-Chair McGeady, We are on to item VIII. A. Permits and Licenses.

A. **PERMITS & LICENSES – J. PURCELL**

Executive Director Purcell presented the Permits & Licenses. Executive Director Purcell made a verbal correction to the meeting packet that was provided to the Commission under Temporary Permits and Suitability Determinations. The CNGC employee “David Bluebird” is incorrect in both categories and the employees name should be corrected to “David Birdtail”.

The following are the Individual Temporary Permits, Individual Suitability Determinations, Orders, and Renewals recommended for approval:

1. **EMPLOYEES**

   - Fifty-one (51) Individual Temporary Permits; included one (1) CNGC individual – David Birdtail.
   - Forty-three (43) Individual Suitability Determinations; included two (2) CNGC individuals – Kandance Willyard and David Birdtail.
   - Fifty (50) Orders
   - Seventy-six (76) Renewals: included six (6) CNGC individuals – Velma Coon-Santos, Michael Cordova, Ryan Lowe, Brandon McKee, Mariah Mike, and Everett Watkins.

Commissioner Hull made a motion to approve the fifty-one (51) Individual Temporary Permits (including CNGC individual David Birdtail) with the amendment from Bluebird to Birdtail, forty-three (43) Suitability Determinations (including CNGC individuals Kandance Willyard and David Birdtail) with the amendment from Bluebird to Birdtail, fifty (50) Orders, and seventy-six (76) Renewals (including CNGC individuals Velma Coon-Santos, Michael Cordova, Ryan Lowe, Brandon McKee, Mariah Mike, and Everett Watkins) as recommended by the staff; seconded by Commissioner DeLozier. Motion Carried.

2. **VENDOR AND VENDOR REPRESENTATIVES**

   Executive Director Purcell presented the Vendor and Vendor
Representatives and recommended approval. The following are the Individual Orders, Company Renewals, and Individual Renewals recommended for approval.

- Twenty (20) Individual Orders
- Eleven (11) Company Renewals
- Fifty-seven (57) Individual Renewals

Commissioner Hull motioned to approve the twenty (20) Individual Orders, eleven (11) Company Renewals, and fifty-seven (57) Individual Renewals; Seconded by Commissioner DeLozier. Motion carried.

3. LICENSE CLASSIFICATIONS

Executive Director Purcell presented the License Classifications and requested that the Commission reclassify and issue the new license classifications. Vice-Chair McGeady entertained a motion to accept the license classifications. Commissioner DeLozier made the motion to approve the license classification; Seconded by Commissioner Hull. Motion carried.

B. GAME & SYSTEM APPROVALS – T. TRUMBLA

Vice-Chair McGeady, recognized Tristan Trumbla to present item B. Game and System Approvals.

1. EGM MEMO

T. Trumbla presented the EGM Memo to the Commission and recommended approval as submitted; eighteen (18) new electronic game themes, three (3) new main programs/OS, four (4) new gaming components, two (2) Executive Director approved items for affirmation of Executive Director’s approval.

New Electronic Game Themes

- 2 Aristocrat
- 4 Everi
- 1 Novomatic
- 2 Gaming Arts
5 AGS
1 Empire
1 Blueberi
2 VGT

New Main Program/OS
2 AGS
1 Empire

New Gaming Component
2 AGS
1 VGT
1 Blueberi

Executive Director Approvals
2 Gaming Arts

Commission Hull motioned to approve the eighteen (18) new electronic game themes, three (3) new main program/OS, four (4) new gaming components, affirmation of two (2) Executive Director approved items; Seconded by Commissioner DeLozier. The motion carried.

2. **ROLAND FELT AFFIRMATION OF APPROVAL - DOWN UNDER BLACKJACK**

T. Trumbla presented the Roland Felt Affirmation of Approval to the Commission and recommended affirmation of the Executive Director's previous approval as presented in the memo. Commissioner DeLozier motioned to affirm the Executive Director's prior approval; Seconded by Commissioner Hull. Motion carried.

3. **WEST SILOAM SPRINGS POKER CARD AFFIRMATION OF APPROVAL MEMO**

T. Trumbla presented the West Siloam Springs Poker Card memo to the Commission and recommended affirmation of the Executive Director's prior approval.
Commissioner DeLozier made the motion to affirm the Executive Director's prior approval; Seconded by Commissioner Hull. Motion carried.
C. SICS Memo – J. Purcell

The Vice-Chair recognized Executive Director Purcell to present the SICS Memo to the Commission. ED Purcell requested that the SICS Memo be approved at the next Commission meeting. The Chair entertained a motion that the July 29th, 2022 SICS would be presented and approved at the next meeting. Commissioner Hull made the motion to approve the SICS at the next meeting; Seconded by Commissioner DeLozier. Motion carried.

D. Promotions Memo – J. Purcell

Vice-Chair McGeady recognized Executive Director Purcell to present the promotions memo. CNGC requested approval and affirmation of one (1) new Corporate promotion, five (5) revised Corporate promotions, one (1) cancelled Corporate promotion, three (3) new Catoosa promotions, and one (1) revised Catoosa promotion. The Chair entertained a motion to approve the recommended promotions and affirm the Executive Directors approval. Commissioner Hull made the motion; Seconded by Commissioner DeLozier. Motion carried.

E. IHP Transfer Request Memo – J. Purcell

Executive Director Purcell 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 DeLozier made the motion for approval of the transfer of funds to promotional prizes as requested under the transfer of progressive funds in the amount of $99,951.74; Seconded by Commissioner Hull. Motion carried.

F. Tournaments – Affirmation of Approval – J. Purcell

Executive Director Purcell presented the tournaments memo and requested affirmation of the Executive Director’s prior approval. Commissioner Hull made the motion to approve the staff recommendation with regards to tournaments as affirmation and approval; Seconded by Commissioner DeLozier. Motion carried.
G. IMPLEMENTATION FOLLOW-UP MEMO (Q3) – A. IMHOFF

The Vice-Chair recognized Audra Imhoff to present item G. Implementation Follow-Up Memo. The item was presented as information only and received by the Commission. No action was taken on the item.

The Vice-Chair entertained a motion to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of considering item H. Investigations, Licenses, & Hearings. Commissioner DeLozier motioned to move into Executive Session; Seconded by Commissioner Hull. Motion carried. The commission entered into Executive Session at approximately 10:54 AM.
Commissioner DeLozier made a motion to exit the Executive Session; Seconded by Commissioner Hull. The motion carried and the Commission exited Executive Session at approximately 11:15 AM.

H. INVESTIGATIONS, LICENSES, & HEARINGS – J. PURCELL

Vice-Chair McGeady, We are now back in regular session. Commissioner Hull made a motion in regard to Tab One that the Commission accept the staff recommendation of a Conditional License based on the individuals compliance with the conditions of their probation; Seconded by Commissioner DeLozier. Motion carried.
Commissioner Hull made a motion to approve the consent agreement in regard to Tab Two; Seconded by Commissioner DeLozier. Motion carried.

IX. Open Session:

None.

X. Adjournment:

Commissioner Hull motioned to adjourn at 11:17 AM; Seconded by Commissioner DeLozier. Motion carried.
Approval of Minutes:

Vice-Chairwoman McGeady

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