

# PENNSYLVANIA GAMING CONTROL BOARD

# Meeting of the Board April 28, 2011 Minutes

A meeting of the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board was held at the North Office Building, Hearing Room 1, Harrisburg. The meeting began at approximately 9:30 a.m.

#### Members in attendance were:

Gregory C. Fajt, Chairman Raymond S. Angeli James B. Ginty Keith R. McCall Anthony C. Moscato Gary A. Sojka Kenneth Trujillo

#### Ex-Officio members in attendance were:

Robert Coyne, Designee, Department of Revenue Christopher Craig, Designee, State Treasurer's Office Daniel Tufano, representing George Greig, Acting Secretary of Agriculture

# Individuals who appeared officially before the Board:

R. Douglas Sherman – Petitions

Susan Yocum - Regulations

Steve Cook -Withdrawals, Report and Recommendations & Emergency Suspensions

Susan Hensel – Licensing Matters

Nan Davenport - Enforcement Actions

Billie Jo Matelevich-Hoang- Enforcement Actions

Eugene Creany – Enforcement Actions

Michael Roland – Enforcement Actions

Eric G. Fikry, Esquire representing Victory Woodworks

Charles B. Haws, Esquire representing Argus

A quorum of the Board being present, Chairman Fait called the meeting to order.

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

The following hearings were held:

- Valley Forge Convention Center Partners, LP Petition for the Approval of Corporate Restructuring
- Valley Forge Convention Center Partners, LP Petition for the Approval of a Rev. Master Site Plan
- Washington Trotting Association Petition to Change the Gaming Floor Plan

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chairman Fajt announced that the Board held an Executive Session on April 27<sup>th</sup> and again just prior to this meeting. The purpose of yesterdays Executive Session was to discuss personnel matters, pending litigation, and to conduct quasi-judicial deliberations relating to matters being considered by the Board today. The Executive Session which just ended was held to conduct quasi-judicial deliberations relative to the hearings held earlier today.

Chairman Fajt again announced that there would be three Public Input Hearings related to license renewals for the three western Pennsylvania casinos on May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>. He also commented that a license renewal hearing for Sugarhouse Casino was scheduled on Thursday, June 16<sup>th</sup>. The hearing will be held in Room 119 A/B of the Pennsylvania Convention Center located at 1101 Arch Street, Philadelphia. The deadline to register to speak at this hearing is June 14, 2011.

#### OFFICE OF CHIEF COUNSEL

## PGCB MOTION NO. 2011- 155 REG - Proposed Regulation # 125-149

Motion Made: Board Member Angeli Seconded: Board Member Ginty

Resolved, the Board hereby adopted the Proposed Regulation #125-149 and establishes a comment period of 30 days; and directs that the regulation be posted on the Board's website.

Board Decision: Passed by unanimous vote

#### PGCB MOTION NO. 2011- 156 REG – Temporary Regulation # 125-150

Motion Made: Board Member Angeli Seconded: Board Member Ginty

Resolved, the Board hereby adopted the Temporary Regulation #125-150 and establishes a comment period of 30 days; and directs that the regulation be posted on the Board's website.

Board Decision: Passed by unanimous vote

#### PGCB MOTION NO. 2011-157 OCC – Petition / Valley Forge Convention Center Partners, LP

Motion Made: Board Member McCall Seconded: Board Member Moscato

Resolved, the Board hereby approved the Valley Forge Convention Center Partners, LP's Petition for the Approval of Corporate Structuring, however withheld consideration of Fee.

Docket Number: 1544-2010

Board Decision: Passed by unanimous vote

## PGCB MOTION NO. 2011-158 OCC - Petition / Valley Forge Convention Center Partners, LP

Motion Made: Board Member Moscato Seconded: Board Member Sojka Resolved, the Board hereby approved the Valley Forge Convention Center Partners, LP's Petition for a Revised Master Site Plan, with conditions. Also approved was the motion to protect confidential information.

Docket Number: 1502-2010

Board Decision: Passed by unanimous vote

# PGCB MOTION NO. 2011-159 OCC – Petition / Washington Valley Forge Convention Center Partners, LP

Motion Made: Board Member Sojka Seconded: Board Member Trujillo

Resolved, the Board hereby approved the Petition for Washington Trotting Association, with conditions. Also approved a motion to protect confidential documents.

Docket Number: 1932-2011

Board Decision: Passed by unanimous vote

# PGCB MOTION NO. 2011-160 OCC - Petition / Victory Woodworks

Motion Made: Board Member Angeli Seconded: Board Member Ginty

Resolved, the Board hereby approved the Petition, with conditions, to remove Victory Woodworks from the Prohibited Gaming Service Provider List.

Docket Number: 1809-2010

Board Decision: Passed by unanimous vote

## PGCB MOTION NO. 2011-161 OCC – Withdrawals / Surrenders

Motion Made: Board Member Ginty Seconded: Board Member McCall

Resolved, the Board hereby adopted the following withdrawals:

✓ Anthony Vroblesky
✓ Gerald Einsohn
✓ Bermanfalk Hospitality Group, LLP
✓ Lenny M. Mazurek
Licensing No. 3324-2, PGCB Doc No. 1955-2011
Licensing No. 1397, PGCB Doc No. 1938-2011
Licensing No. 50288, PGCB Doc. No. 1915-2011
Licensing No. 20898-1, PGCB Doc No. 1926-2011

Board Decision: Passed by unanimous vote

#### PGCB MOTION NO. 2011-162 OCC - Emergency Suspension/ Paul Derohn

Motion Made: Board Member McCall Seconded: Board Member Moscato

Resolved, the Board referred this matter to the Office of Hearings and Appeals to conduct a hearing to determine the validity of the Temporary Emergency Order of Suspension and to issue a Report and

Recommendation regarding same. It is further ordered that the Temporary Emergency Suspension of the Non-Gaming Employee Registration of Paul Derohn remain in effect until otherwise ordered by the Board.

Docket Number; 2012-2010

Board Decision: Passed by unanimous vote

#### **BUREAU OF LICENSING**

# PGCB MOTION NO. 2011-163 LIC - Advanced Gaming Associates, LLC

Motion Made: Board Member Moscato Seconded: Board Member Sojka

Resolved, the Board renewed the Slot Machine Supplier License for Advanced Gaming Associates, LLC

Board Decision: Passed by unanimous vote

## PGCB MOTION NO. 2011-164 LIC - Principal and Key Employee Licenses

Motion Made: Board Member Sojka Seconded: Board Member Trujillo

Resolved, the Board approved the issuance of Principal and Key Employee Licenses as follows:

#### ✓ Chester Downs and Marina, LLC

Key Employee Initial Licensure

Mary F. Harper, Director of Surveillance – Docket #51116-1

#### ✓ Greenwood Gaming and Entertainment, Inc.

Key Employee Initial Licensure

Robert W. Kahler, Director of Table Games Cashiering – Docket #44774-2

#### ✓ Valley Forge Convention Center Partners, L.P.

Principals Initial Licensure

CMS Gaming Partners Q, L.P. – 95% owner of CMS VF Partners, L.P. – Docket #44630-2

CMS Gaming GP, L.L.C. - General Partner of CMS Gaming Partners Q, L.P. - Docket #44631-2

CMS VF Partners, L.P. - 30% owner of Valley Forge Convention Center Partners, L.P. - Docket #44743-1

CMS VF GP, L.L.C. - General Partner of CMS VF Partners, L.P. - Docket #44745-1

CMS VRE II Partners – 1.5% indirect ownership of Valley Forge Convention Center Partners, L.P. – Docket #45265-3

William Landman, Managing Director of CMS VF Partners, L.P. - Docket #41586-2

#### ✓ Sands Bethworks Gaming, LLC

Principals Initial Licensure

Sheldon G. Adelson December 2008 Three Year LVS Annuity Trust, 5.67% Indirect Ownership Interest in Sands Bethworks Gaming, LLC – Docket #41899-1

Gary S. Hernishin, Director of Audit Services Group for Las Vegas Sands Corporation – Docket #37028-2 Kimberly K. McCabe, Vice President of Compliance for Las Vegas Sands Corporation – Docket #39447-1 Timothy D. Stein, Trustee for the Sheldon Adelson December 2008 Three Year LVS Annuity Trust – Docket #41902-1

Robert C. Rubenstein, Vice President of Internal Audit for Las Vegas Sands Corporation - Docket #38882-1

## Key Employee Initial Licensure

Lisa A. Csondor, Assistant Manager Soft Count – Docket #38871-2

Board Decision: Passed by unanimous vote

## PGCB MOTION NO. 2011-165 LIC – Temporary Key Employee Credentials

Motion Made: Board Member Trujillo Seconded: Board Member Angeli

Resolved, the Board approved the issuance of 4 Temporary Key Employees Credentials.

Board Decision: Passed by unanimous vote

# PGCB MOTION NO. 2011-166 LIC – Gaming and Non-Gaming Employee Permits and Registrations

Motion Made: Board Member Angeli Seconded: Board Member Ginty

Resolved, the Board approved the issuance of 356 (186 initial; 152 temporary G2; 8 full G2; 10 SLOTSlink temporary dealer permits) Gaming Employee Permits and 89 Non-Gaming Employee Registrations.

Board Decision: Passed by unanimous vote

# PGCB MOTION NO. 2011-167 LIC - Licensing Withdrawals

Motion Made: Board Member Ginty Seconded: Board Member McCall

Resolved, the Board hereby approved the withdrawal of 3 Key Employee Applications.

Board Decision: Passed by unanimous vote

# PGCB MOTION NO. 2011-168 LIC - Gaming Service Provider Certification

Motion Made: Board Member McCall Seconded: Board Member Moscato

Resolved, the Board hereby approved the Gaming Service Provider Certification as follows:

- ✓ Buckley & Company, Inc.
- ✓ Hamada, Inc.
- ✓ Pennsy Supply, Inc.
- ✓ Pittsburgh Seafoods, Inc.
- ✓ Starlite Productions International, Inc.
- ✓ T.D. Patrinos Painting & Contracting Company
- ✓ Trade Eastern, Inc.

Board Decision: Passed by unanimous vote

# OFFICE OF ENFORCEMENT COUNSEL

# PGCB MOTION NO. 2011-169 OEC - Consent Agreement - Arbiter Partners, LP

Motion Made: Board Member Sojka Seconded: Board Member Trujillo

Resolved, the Board hereby approved the Consent Agreement between the OEC and Arbiter Partners, LP. Arbiter Partners shall pay a civil penalty in the amount of \$33,600 within 15 days from the date of the Order.

Board Decision: Passed by unanimous vote

# PGCB MOTION NO. 2011-170 OEC - Revocation / Joseph Cassano

Motion Made: Board Member Trujillo Seconded: Board Member Angeli

Resolved, the Board hereby ordered the immediate Suspension of Joseph Cassano's Gaming Employee Permit. It was further ordered that Joseph Cassano appear before the Board on May 11, 2011 to Show Cause why the Board should not revoke his Gaming Employee Permit.

Docket Number: 1891-2010

Board Decision: Passed by unanimous vote

#### PGCB MOTION NO. 2011-171 OEC – Revocation / Nashanti Iglesias

Motion Made: Board Member Angeli Seconded: Board Member Ginty

Resolved, the Board hereby revoked the Non-Gaming Employee Registration of Nashanti Iglesias.

Docket Number: 1862-2010

Board Decision: Passed by unanimous vote

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion by Commissioner Ginty, seconded by Commissioner McCall, the meeting was adjourned.