

MINNESOTA GAMBLING CONTROL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

January 16, 2024

Chair Janet Lorenzo called the monthly meeting of the Minnesota Gambling Control Board to order on Tuesday, January 16, 2024, at 10:00 a.m., at the Gambling Control Board Office, 1711 West County Road B, Suite 300S, Roseville, MN 55113

Members Present: Janet Lorenzo, Jim Nardone, Mike Sundin, Bill English, and Kate Luthner (in-person), Doug Forsman (WebEx).

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Also Present: Don Klick, Interim Executive Director; Leah Hedman, Assistant Attorney General; Steve Pedersen, Regulatory Manager; Brett McKeever, Enforcement Manager; Chris Mau, Communications Manager; and Terry Johnson, HR Manager.

1. Approval of Agenda

Jim Nardone moved to approve the amended agenda. Mike Sundin seconded the motion; the motion carried.

2. Approval of Minutes

Mike Sundin moved to approve the December 18, 2023, meeting minutes. Kate Luthner seconded the motion; the motion carried.

3. Chair's Comments

Welcome Don as the Interim Director.

4. Director's Report

- The Governor's Office has asked me to serve as Interim Executive Director until a permanent Executive Director has been appointed.
- The GCB will continue to run as normal. There will be no delays in game approvals, the agency will continue to review games on a case-by-case basis as we receive them from the manufacturers.
- The GCB is running on budget.
- The new hires from November are doing well.
- Interviews were completed last week for two Field Agent positions. The agency is working with MMB on the offers for the top two applicants.
- There is an open posting for a Communications Specialist that closed on Wednesday, January 24th.
- November's total gross receipts for all forms of Lawful Gambling were \$391 million, which is up 6.8% over last year. November's electronic game receipts were \$221 million and December's electronic game receipts were \$236 million.
- About 50 Gambling Managers did not complete their continuing education requirement in 2023. The citations for those not in compliance are being drafted and will be to organizations shortly.
- The GCB will be switching from online Gambling Manager Seminars to in-person Gambling Manager Seminars in the near future. Organizations will be given ample notification to ensure their personnel can make the appropriate arrangements.
- I want to remind Board Members to complete their Statement of Financial Interest with the MN Campaign Finance Board before January 29th.

5. Committee Reports

There will be training after the board meeting that will include committee direction.

6. Public Comment

None

7. Old Business

None

8. Transfer of Gambling Funds to the Organization Account

Exhibit A: Mike Sundin moved to approve the requests contained in Exhibit A. Kate Luthner seconded the motion; the motion carried.

Exhibit B: None.

9. Property and Capital Asset Expenditure Requests - Repair or Maintenance (LG269)

Exhibit C: Jim Nardone moved to approve the requests contained in Exhibit C. Mike Sundin seconded the motion; the motion carried.

Exhibit D: None.

Fire or Other Catastrophe (LG262)

Exhibit E: None.

Exhibit F: None.

Eminent Domain (LG263)

Exhibit G: None.

Exhibit H: None.

Exclusively Used for LPE (LG266)

Exhibit I: Mike Sundin moved to approve the requests contained in Exhibit I. Kate Luthner seconded the motion; the motion carried.

Exhibit J: None.

10. Contribution of Gambling Funds to Another Licensed Gambling Organization (LG270)

Exhibit K: Kate Luthner moved to approve the requests contained in Exhibit K. Jim Nardone seconded the motion; the motion carried.

Exhibit L: None.

11. Fund Loss Requests (Profit Carryover Adjustment) (LG250)

Exhibit M: Mike Sundin moved to approve the requests contained in Exhibit M. Kate Luthner seconded the motion; the motion carried.

Exhibit N: Mike Sundin moved to approve the requests contained in Exhibit N. Jim Nardone seconded the motion; the motion carried.

12. ADA Replacement Building (LG268)

Exhibit O: None.

Exhibit P: None.

13. License Termination Plans (LG204)

Exhibit Q: None.

Exhibit R: None.

14. Manufacturer's Games

Exhibit S: Jim Nardone moved to approve the requests contained in Exhibit S. Mike Sundin seconded the motion; the motion carried.

Exhibit T: None.

15. **Application for License:**

Manufacturer License Renewal/Method of Sale or Transfer of Electronic Games to Distributors, Linked Bingo Game Provider

Exhibit U: None.

Exhibit V: None.

Distributor License Renewal/Method of Sale or Transfer of Electronic Games to Organizations:

Exhibit U2: None.

Exhibit V2: None.

16. **Rule Variance Request**

Exhibit W: None.

Exhibit X: None.

17. **Request for Alternative Method for Selecting Raffle Winners**

Exhibit Y: None.

Exhibit Z: None.

18. **New Business**

None

19. **Next Meeting Announcement**

Chair Lorenzo announced the next Board meeting for Tuesday, February 20, 2023, at 10:00 a.m., at the Minnesota Gambling Control Board, 1711 West County Road B, Suite 300S, Roseville, MN 55113.

20. **Adjournment**

The Chair adjourned the meeting. at 10:24 a.m.



Mike Sundin, Secretary