

GAMING POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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**MINUTES OF JANUARY 12, 2012
GAMING POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

OPEN SESSION

1. Call to Order and Welcome – Tina Littleton, Executive Director

A. Introduction of GPAC Members

Executive Director Tina Littleton opened the January 12, 2012, meeting of the Gaming Policy Advisory Committee (GPAC), at 1:33 p.m., introduced Commissioners and Deputy Directors and asked that the Committee Members introduce themselves.

2. Roll Call of Advisory Committee Members

Roll call of the Committee Members was taken. Committee Members Rod Blonien, TerriSue Canale, Yolanda Clayton, Ileana Harris, Brent Meyer, Norman Pierce, Kermit Schayltz, Andy Schneiderman, Ron Werner and Aaron Wong, were present at the meeting.

Chairperson Stephanie Shimazu and Commissioners Tiffany Conklin, Lauren Hammond and Richard Schuetz were present at the meeting.

Staff Participating: Tina Littleton, Executive Director, Joe Dhillon, Chief Counsel.

3. Gaming Policy Advisory Committee Roles and Responsibilities

A. Term of Office

Executive Director Littleton commented on the roles and responsibilities of GPAC. The Executive Director indicated that the Advisory Committee serves as a viable tool for the Commission to gain perspective on what the industry and public view as needed from the Commission as a regulatory body to insure public safety in the gaming industry. The current Committee consists of 10 members, five from the card room industry and five from the general public. It was decided that the initial term of office will be one year which expires December 31, 2012.

B. Frequency and Location of Meetings

It was determined by a consensus of the Committee Members that the frequency and location of meetings will be established at the end of each meeting.

C. Overview of Bagley-Keene Act

Joe Dhillon, Chief Counsel, presented an overview of the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act to the GPAC members, indicating that the Advisory Committee is a statutorily established state body subject to the Open Meeting Act.

D. Creation of Mission Statement

By consensus of the Committee Members, the Mission Statement previously used will remain as follows:

To provide advisory recommendations to the California Gambling Control Commission concerning matters of controlled gaming regulatory policy and other relevant gambling-related issues, with special attention to guaranteeing the integrity of gambling operations and to deal effectively with problem gambling.

4. Discussion Items for Industry

5. Discussion items for Bureau of Gambling Control

The following discussion items for agenda items 4 and 5 were suggested by Committee Members as topics for consideration of future agenda items:

- Paper reduction and the necessity of various BGC reports;
- Game approvals;
- Effectiveness of the involuntary exclusion regulations;
- Outreach program for small cardrooms;
- Governor's budget proposal;
- Burdens and cost associated with small cardroom's compliance requirements of the Minimum Internal Control Standards regulations;
- Reevaluate Gambling Control Act;
- Evaluate Regulatory operational issues; and,
- Evaluate current operations and communications.

6. Discussion Items for California Gambling Control Commission

Executive Director Littleton reiterated the need for development of outreach program for small/medium cardrooms.

7. Scheduling Next Meeting/Discussion Items for Next Agenda

Executive Director Littleton announced that the next meeting will be held on February 9, 2012, at 1:30 p.m. Items to be included on the agenda for discussion at the next meeting will include: GPAC selection process/terms; Develop outreach program for cardrooms relative to regulatory requirements; Paper reduction for report filings; and, Open discussion items for future business.

Public Comment

Mr. Mark Jones commented on GPAC selection process, game approval process, and outreach program for cardrooms.

Mr. Robert Tabor commented on Governor's proposed budget.

Mr. David Fried commented on outreach program.

Adjournment

Executive Director Littleton moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:40 p.m. Meeting was adjourned.