OPEN SESSION

1. Call to Order and Welcome – Stacey Luna Baxter, Executive Director

Executive Director Stacey Luna Baxter called the July 1, 2019 meeting of the Gaming Policy Advisory Committee (GPAC) to order at 1:30 p.m.

2. Roll Call of GPAC Members

Roll call of the Committee Members was taken. David Fried, Tom Hallinan, Haig Kelegian, Jr., William Liu, Darrell Miers, Yolanda Morrow, Keith Sharp, and Art Van Loon were present. Luis Jaramillo and Cyndi Maivia were absent.

3. Review and Approval of May 14, 2019 Meeting Minutes

David Fried pointed out a correction that needed to be made changing “Section 19295” to “Section 12395” under item 5 of the minutes. Art Van Loon moved to approve the minutes with the correction. Keith Sharp seconded the motion and by consensus the Committee Members approved the minutes.

4. Update and Discussion of Current Projects

   A. Marketing Group Review (Sub-Committee members: Keith Sharp and Yolanda Morrow)

Yolanda Morrow went over the revisions made to the proposed text that were the result of discussions by the members at the previous GPAC meeting.

GPAC members discussed that there would be three licensing categories which included business, owner, and authorized promoter, and that the scope of the background investigation for an authorized promoter would be similar to that of a work permit.

It was also decided that the current section (E) on page 1 should be deleted.

There was discussion concerning section (15) on page 2 to strike “Marketing group” and to change “marketing” to “marketing or advertising.”
On page 5, section (a) of the External Promoter Services Contract Criteria, following the word promoter add “services.”

On page 6, section (7), amend the last sentence to state “Any suspected Title 31 violations must be reported by the external promoter to the gambling enterprise.”

There were discussions concerning compensation that is merit based (page 6, section (8)), and that gambling enterprises should be required to keep documentation that supports the compensation payment amount. Also discussed was allowing the compensation rate to be lowered up to two times within the contract period by submitting an amended contract to the Bureau. These contact changes would not require prior approval or an in-depth review.

There were also discussions whether a problem gambling training requirement should apply to authorized promoters.

It was decided to delete the following: page 6, section (10), page 7, sections (C)(1), and (2).

On page 10, change “Extension of External Promoter Contracts” to “Renewal of External Promoter Contracts,” and delete section (c).

Page 13, sections (a)-(f), review and delete if redundant.

Page 13, section (k), It was decided that an owner, authorized promoter, or other employee is not required to participate in the play of a game, however if they chose to play they must use their own funds.

There was discussion regarding concerns of there being any perception that an authorized promoter was giving comps from the gambling establishment. It was suggested amending page 14, section (o) to include “…or complimentary items provided by the gambling establishment may only be granted by the gambling establishment.”

Page 14, section (p) Change “restricted access” to “unsupervised access.”

It was decided that the sub-committee would make the changes that were discussed at the meeting and bring it back to GPAC for a final review.

B. Modification to Selection Criteria (Sub-Committee Members: Sergeant Luis Jaramillo and William Liu)

i. Selection of Sub-Committee Members to work on Selection Criteria Revision

William Liu presented the amendments made to the selection process and criteria that were agreed upon at the previous GPAC meeting. The changes included adding
a business background to category G, and modifying the term to allow members to serve an additional year during the recruitment process of their current seat. The selection portion was also modified to allow termed-out members to apply for vacant seats in other categories that they are qualified to fill. There was discussion regarding an amendment needed to category H that specifies that a general member at large not be affiliated with any CA legalized gambling entity during the term of their seat. An additional amendment was requested under the RENEWAL heading to change “4-6 months” to “3 months.” It was decided that after the discussed changes were made the project would be complete and ready for Commission consideration.

5. Discussion of Possible New GPAC Projects
   i. Open Discussion for Committee Members to Propose Project Topics

   David Fried and Art Van Loon volunteered to work on a licensing renewal change project to make suggestions to the Commission concerning proposed legislative changes on the licensing renewal structure.

   Darrell Miers and Keith Sharp volunteered to work on a contract renewal project that is intended to extend a contract term.

   Stacey announced that she will be asking the GPAC members to review the letter that was sent out during the last recruitment process for any possible changes.

6. Next Meeting

   It was decided that the next GPAC meeting would be scheduled on September 12, 2019 at 1:30 p.m.

7. Public Comment

   None.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:23 p.m.