

**GAMING POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

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**MINUTES OF MARCH 21, 2022  
GAMING POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

Pursuant to Executive Order N-1-22, the meeting was held by tele/videoconference and there was no location open to the public.

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**OPEN SESSION**

1. Welcome and Call to Order

Executive Director Stacey Luna Baxter called the March 21, 2022 meeting of the Gaming Policy Advisory Committee (GPAC) to order at 1:30 p.m.

2. Roll Call of Members

Roll call of the Committee Members was taken. John Choo, Daniela Cicu, David Fried, Luis Jaramillo, Anita Johnson, Jieho Lee, Emmanuel Macalino and Yolanda Morrow were present. Linda Graves and Art Van Loon were absent.

3. Review and Approval of January 20, 2022 Meeting Minutes.

(Item 3 was heard following item 5.B) David Fried moved to approve the January 20, 2022 meeting minutes. Luis Jaramillo seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by a roll call vote of the members present.

4. Resumption of In-Person Meeting Location Requirements

Stacey informed GPAC that the exemption of Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act requirements for in-person meetings and noticing of member locations for meetings will expire the end of March. The temporary exemptions were in place by various Executive Orders and AB 361 and were in response to the Covid-19 emergency. GPAC meetings will now be in-person at the Commission's office in Sacramento and public locations can be arranged for GPAC member who are unable to travel to the Sacramento location.

## 5. Update and Discussion of Current Projects:

### A. Work Permit Project – Status Update (Sub-Committee Member: Luis Jaramillo)

Committee Member Luis Jaramillo addressed concerns that were raised at a previous GPAC meeting concerning the legality of the proposed database and the importance of having a proper process and supporting documents for database entries.

Stacey suggested creating a project summary for the benefit of the new members that would outline the scope and original intent of the project. She indicated that she will be in contact with Luis to assist him in defining the project summary.

Yolanda Morrow volunteered to be a sub-committee member to work with Luis on the project.

### B. Dual Licensure within Cannabis and Control Gambling Industries Project – Status Update (Sub-Committee Members: Jieho Lee)

(Item 5B was heard after Item 2) Committee Member Jieho Lee provided a summary explanation of the project and outlined the work that he has done on project. Jieho indicated that he has been working with former Commissioner Tiffany Lichtig, who is a consultant in both the gaming and cannabis industry. She prepared a memo on dual licensure to assist GPAC on this project that Jieho forwarded to Stacey for circulation to the members. Stacey indicated that she would distribute the memo to all the GPAC members so that they may be prepared to discuss the details of the memo and the next steps in the project at the next GPAC meeting.

### C. Amendment of Cardroom Endorsee Licenses and TPPPS Endorsee Licenses – Status Update (Sub-Committee Member: David Fried and Yolanda Morrow)

#### i. Update to GPAC of Commission Consideration

Stacey indicated that this project has been completed by GPAC and pending placement on an agenda for presentation to the Commission.

## 6. New Projects Discussion:

### A. Modification of GPAC Selection Criteria

- i. Review and Discussion of Proposed Changes
- ii. Selection of Sub-Committee Members

Stacey provided an explanation of the proposed revisions to the GPAC selection process document that she provided to the members. She explained that the proposal extends the existing two-year term to a three-year term and provides an

exemption from the application and interview process for the Bureau's GPAC representative; however, still requires appointment by the Commissioners. The proposal also provides a process whereby the Executive Director or a GPAC member can add an item on the agenda for consideration of removal of a GPAC member due to absences, inappropriate representation, ineligibility, or lack of participation. Finally, the proposal amends the Statement of Qualifications section of the application to require an applicant to submit their written statement on a separate piece of paper.

Anita Johnson and David Fried volunteered to be sub-committee members on this project.

B. Review and Discussion of Key Employee Definition and Supervisory Capacity

- i. Project Scope
- ii. Selection of Sub-Committee Members

Yolanda Morrow explained that there is some confusion in the industry concerning the definition of key employee in statute, (Business and Professions Code section 19805(x)) specifically concerning supervisory capacity and discretionary decision making powers. She thought that a definition in regulation of supervisory capacity for a key employee may be helpful for the industry and a good project for GPAC.

Yolanda Morrow and Daniela Cicu volunteered to work together as sub-committee members on this project.

C. GPAC Outreach – Discussion

- i. Project Scope
- ii. Selection of Sub-Committee Members

Emmanuel Macalino stated that he would like to make another attempt at the GPAC Outreach project. He indicated that the previous attempt did not generate much interest from the industry however, he would like to take a different approach by personally canvassing the cardrooms. He mentioned that GPAC could help establish the parameters and guidelines of what to discuss with the industry. He suggested dividing the outreach by Northern and Southern California Cardrooms and he volunteered to reach out to the Northern Cardrooms.

Stacey suggested that GPAC work first on developing an outline of the outreach project that includes the methods of outreach and topics of discussions for the outreach with industry. Stacey also suggested asking for a volunteer for a sub-committee member to assist Emmanuel on the project at the next GPAC meeting.

7. Discussion of New Agenda Items for Next Meeting

None.

8. Next Meeting

The next GPAC meeting was tentatively set for May 24, 2022 at 1:30p.m.

9. Public Comment

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 2:42 p.m.