

**Minutes of the
Charitable Gaming Board
December 11, 2007 Meeting
Science Museum of Virginia – RF&P Forum Room
2500 West Broad Street, Richmond, VA 23220**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Michael Sheffield, Chair. He welcomed all in attendance and indicated there was a quorum of Board members present.

Board Members in Attendance: Wesley I. Crowder, James C. Davis, Clay L. Dawson, Ruth Modlin Ellett, Don Fields, Vice-Chair, Tony Landis, and DeLores E. Ray Wilson.

Board Members Absent: Emmitt Carlton

Approval of the Minutes

Chairman Sheffield asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the September 11, 2007 Board meeting. A motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved.

Update on Gaming Regulation changes approved by the Board on June 5, 2007

Harry Durham, Director, provided an update to the Charitable Gaming Rules and Regulations and the Supplier Regulations changes that were approved at the June 5th, meeting. He said the changes have to go through the state's regular administrative process and they are still being reviewed. He further stated that once this process is completed they will then be published for public review and comments.

Update on Development of Regulation changes for HB 1998 – Electronic Pull-tabs

Mr. Durham updated the Board on the progress of the proposed revisions for HB 1998. The Department has entered into a contract for consultant services. This company has submitted a two-page questionnaire to the Department in order to gain a better understanding of the Charitable Gaming Statutes and how the agency conducts its business.

Department of Charitable Gaming's 2007 Annual Report

Mr. Durham presented a power point presentation and overview on the Department's 2007 Annual Report to the Governor.

Presentation on Fraud

The Department's Audit Manager, Carolyn Buko, shared a summary of a power point presentation on fraud she recently made to the Richmond Chapter of the Association of Government Accountants.

Other Business

Mr. Sheffield said that he had recently received inquiries asking for clarification on what the Department's policy was regarding gaming machines in social quarters. Mr. Sheffield asked for volunteers from the Board for a sub-committee to study this issue. The members of the sub-committee are: Don Fields, Ruth Modlin Ellett and Tony Landis.

The Chair asked if any members of the public would like to address the Board.

Mr. Karl Janowski from Newport News Elks Lodge #315 addressed the Board. He said on December 4, 2007 they were informed by the ABC and DCG that the electronic phone card machines they were using were illegal. After speaking further, he asked that the Board reconsider the validity of these machines. The Chair asked for a copy of Mr. Janowski's statement for review.

G.S. Whitey Turner, 1st Vice commander of AMVETS Post 7, asked to address the Board. Mr. Turner said the AMVETS were told it was illegal to also have the electronic machines Mr. Janowski described and he was also asking to have the issue reconsidered.

John Worth, a supplier from Hampton, VA asked the Board to have suppliers' input considered in the preparation of regulations for buying and selling electronic equipment.

Mr. Sheffield asked the Board for approval of 2008 Regularly Scheduled Board Meetings. The dates given were: March 11, June 10, September 9 and December 9. A motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved to schedule these dates.

Adjournment

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved to adjourn the regular meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 11:07AM.

Submitted by

Pamela S. Doak
Recorder