



Massachusetts Gaming Commission Agenda Setting Meeting Minutes

Date/Time: February 20, 2019 – 10:00 a.m.

Place: Massachusetts Gaming Commission
101 Federal Street, 12th Floor
Boston, Massachusetts

Present:

Chair Cathy Judd-Stein	Agnes Beaulieu
Commissioner Gayle Cameron	Elaine Driscoll
Commissioner Eileen O'Brien	Karen Wells
Commissioner Bruce Stebbins	Alexandra Lightbown
Commissioner Enrique Zuniga	Jill Griffin
Bruce Band	Loretta Lillios
John Ziemba	

Call to Order

10:00 a.m. Chair Judd-Stein called to order the 53rd Agenda Setting meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Stebbins moved to approve the minutes from the January 16, 2019 Agenda Setting Meeting, subject to correction for typographical errors and other nonmaterial matters. Commissioner Zuniga seconded the motion. The motion passed 4 – 0, with the Chair abstaining.

Commissioner Stebbins moved to approve the minutes from the February 6, 2019 Agenda Setting Meeting, subject to correction for typographical errors and other nonmaterial matters. Commissioner Zuniga seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Planning for Upcoming Commission Meetings

(Scheduled Commission Meeting on February 25, 2019)

Item #1 – Administrative Update. Executive Director Ed Bedrosian will have an administrative update.

Item #2 – Regulations. There are no draft regulations up for approval at this time.

Item #3 – MGM Quarterly Report. John Ziemba will have this report ready, and would like to break out some sub items and post them on the agenda for clarification (deadlines).

Item #4 – MGM Service Employee Exemptions. Ed Bedrosian stated that this item would be ready to present for the Commission’s approval.

Item #5 – Plainridge Park Casino License Review. John Ziemba will have this review ready as a presentation for the Commission’s review. This will not require a vote at this time.

Item #6 – Plainridge Park Casino Quarterly Report. John Ziemba will have this report ready to present.

Item #7 – SEIGMA Procurement Discussion. Commissioner Zuniga would like to schedule this for the following meeting on March 14th, as there are a few elements still in process.

(Potential Commission Meeting on March 14, 2019)

Item #8 – Encore Boston Harbor Quarterly Report. John Ziemba will have this report ready for Commission review.

Item #9 – Plainridge Park Racecourse Request for Approval of Racing Officials and Key Operating Personnel. Dr. Lightbown will have this item ready for a vote.

Item #10 – Standardbred Owners of Massachusetts (SOM) Recognition Request as Breeders’ Representative Group. Dr. Lightbown will have this item ready for a vote.

Item #11 – Plainridge Park Racecourse Update. Dr. Lightbown stated that Steve O’Toole, Director of Racing for Plainville Gaming & Redevelopment, LLC will present an update to the Commission. This will not require a vote.

(Potential Commission Meeting on March 28, 2019)

Item #12 – Springfield and Surrounding Communities Public Safety Report – Four Month Follow-Up. Christopher Bruce, Crime Analyst will present this report.

Item #13 – Plainville and Surrounding Communities Public Safety Report – Three Year Follow-Up. Christopher Bruce, Crime Analyst will present this report.

Item #14 – Problem Gambling Awareness Month Wrap-Up. Dates for this item will be confirmed.

(Under Review)

Item #15 – Licensee Sexual Harassment Policies. – Gayle Cameron stated that this is still under review.

Item #16 – Minority Equity Participation. – Bruce Stebbins is still working on this with Jill Griffin. This item should be titled, “Minority Equity and Investment Participation” moving forward.

Item #17 – Plainridge Park Casino License Renewal Process. – Commissioner Zuniga requested an internal meeting regarding this. This item is under review.

Item #18 – Region C Update. – Ed Bedrosian stated that this item is still under review.

Item #19 – Problem Gambling Awareness Month. – This is a duplicate item. See item #14.

(Quarterly)

Item #20 – Licensee Quarterly Reports – MGM, PPC & Encore. – John Ziemba stated that these reports will be prepared for the second quarter.

Additional Items:

1. Add HHANE to agenda on March 14 for an annual update, reporting the status of their program to the Commission. This will not require a vote. – Dr. Lightbown.
2. Add the Commission’s annual election of a secretary and treasurer for the March 28th Commission meeting – Catherine Blue.
3. Discussion on “switching” with licensees. Will speak on this at next agenda setting meeting. – Commissioner Stebbins

10:20 a.m. *Having no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Zuniga. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cameron.
The motion passed unanimously.*

List of Documents and Other Items Used

1. Massachusetts Gaming Commission, Notice of Meeting and Agenda, dated February 14, 2019
2. Massachusetts Gaming Commission Draft Agenda Setting Meeting Minutes, dated January 16, 2019
3. Massachusetts Gaming Commission Draft Agenda Setting Meeting Minutes, dated February 6, 2019
4. Massachusetts Gaming Commission, Agenda Planning Notes, dated February 14, 2019

/s/ Catherine Blue
Catherine Blue, Assistant Secretary