



Massachusetts Gaming Commission Agenda Setting Meeting Minutes

Date/Time: March 6, 2019 – 10:00 a.m.

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

Present:

Chair Cathy Judd-Stein	Trupti Banda
Commissioner Gayle Cameron	Elaine Driscoll
Commissioner Eileen O'Brien	Karen Wells
Commissioner Bruce Stebbins	Mark Vander Linden
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 54th Agenda Setting meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Stebbins moved to approve the minutes from the Agenda Setting Meeting of February 20, 2019, subject to correction for typographical errors and other nonmaterial matters. Commissioner Stebbins noted that the name in item #7 should be "Zuniga" instead of "Ziemba." Commissioner Cameron seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, pending the edit.

Agenda Planning for Upcoming Commission Meetings

(Scheduled Commission Meeting on March 14, 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 – SEIGMA Procurement Discussion. Commissioner Zuniga will lead this discussion.

Item #4 – Encore Boston Harbor Quarterly Report. This item will be postponed, potentially to the March 28th Commission meeting. John Ziemba will need to report back with status.

Item #5 – Plainridge Park Racecourse Request for Approval of Racing Officials and Key Operating Personnel. Dr. Lightbown will present this item for a vote.

Item #6 – Standardbred Owners of Massachusetts (SOM) Recognition Request as Breeder’s Representative Group. Dr. Lightbown will present this item for a vote.

Item #7 – Harness Horseman’s Association of New England Pension Plan Update. Dr. Lightbown will provide this update to the Commission.

Item #8 – Plainridge Park Racecourse Update. Dr. Lightbown will have Steven O’Toole, Director of Racing at Plainridge Park Racecourse present this update to the Commission.

Item #9 – MA Thoroughbred Breeders Association Request to Race at Fingerlakes. Dr. Lightbown will present this item for a vote.

(Potential Commission Meeting on March 28, 2019)

Item #10 – Springfield and Surrounding Communities Public Safety Report – Four Month Follow-Up. This report will be ready to present at the April 25th Commission meeting.

Item #11 – Plainville and Surrounding Communities Public Safety Report – Three Year Follow-Up. This report will be ready to present at the April 25th Commission meeting.

Item #12 – Problem Gambling Awareness Month Wrap-Up. Mark Vander Linden will have this item ready to present with Marlene Warner, Executive Director of the Massachusetts Council on Compulsive Gambling.

Item #13 – MA Gaming Commission Election of Officers. This item will commence at this meeting.

(Under Review)

Item #14 – Licensee Sexual Harassment Policies. This item is currently under review.

Item #15 – Minority Equity Participation. This item is currently under review.

Item #16 – Plainridge Park Casino License Renewal Process. This item is currently under review, with a target date of completion in April.

Item #17 – Region C Update. This update is currently under review.

Item #18 – Licensee Policies on Switching. This item is currently under review.

(Quarterly)

Item #19 – Licensee Quarterly Reports – MGM, PPC, & Encore.

Additional Items:

1. Follow-up on MGM’s Quarterly Report for the March 28th Commission meeting- Ziembra

10:15 a.m. *Having no further business, Commissioner Stebbins made a motion to adjourn.
Commissioner O'Brien seconded the motion.
The motion passed unanimously.*

List of Documents and Other Items Used

1. Massachusetts Gaming Commission, Notice of Meeting and Agenda, dated March 6, 2019
2. Massachusetts Gaming Commission Draft Agenda Setting Meeting Minutes, dated February 20, 2019
3. Massachusetts Gaming Commission, Agenda Planning Notes, dated March 4, 2019

/s/ Catherine Blue
Catherine Blue, Assistant Secretary