

**Games for Charity Study Commission  
Meeting  
December 8, 2015  
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Present:

Mr. Larry Belair –Chairman  
Representative Patrick Abrami -Member  
Mr. Timothy Connors -Member  
Major Russell Conte – Member  
Attorney John Kennedy – Member  
Mr. Lynn Presby - Member

In Attendance: Paul Kelley-Director RCGC, Sudhir Naik-Deputy Director RCGC, Valerie King-Procedures Administrator RCGC, Stephen Johnston-Supervisor Gaming Operations RCGC, Robert White-Gaming Enforcement Investigator RCGC, Linda Darrow-Recording Secretary RCGC, Debra Douglas-Chairman-Lottery, Charles McIntyre-Executive Director-Lottery, Ryan Gloddy, Dick Bouley, Rick Newman, Jan DiMarzio, Nick Bonardi and others

Chairman Belair called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. He noted that Senator D’Allesandro and Mr. Rausch were unable to attend.

**Introduction of Members**

Chairman Belair introduced each member of the commission.

**General Ground Rules**

Chairman Belair noted that today’s meeting was going to be a discussion of the proposed draft report and he would allow time for public input later in the meeting.

**Approval of the minutes of 10/27/15**

On a motion by Mr. Connors and seconded by Representative Abrami, the Commission unanimously voted to approve the minutes dated 10/27/15.

**Discussion on the Proposed Draft Report**

Representative Abrami made the following suggestions:

- On Page 11 of the draft, remove the wording “Table 1” since this is the only table in the report. Also, refer to the table in the paragraph above it for added clarity.
- Page 10 – second full paragraph – clarify the number of investigators overseeing gaming tables. Discussion ensued. Chairman Belair will clarify this paragraph.
- Discussion ensued as to whether the cost of additional troopers should be included in the table. It was agreed the table would remain as is.

Attorney Kennedy expressed the AG's concern with the language in the last paragraph on page 10 suggesting a tax on unregulated video poker and slot machines to raise funds to pay for personnel. Discussion ensued. Chairman Belair asked Mr. McIntyre and Mr. Kennedy to work together to develop language for this section and get back to the group with same within 48 hours.

Mr. Lynn Presby made the following suggestions:

- On page 7 of the draft, third paragraph, change "in revenues" to "in total revenues" since the figure mentioned also includes money from racing.
- On page 15, section (c), change "approximately 1.6 million" to "1.5 million" to match the figure given on Page 7, third paragraph.
- On page 2, change "Study Commission members agree" to "Study Commission members are hopeful".

### **Comments from the Public**

Ms. Jan DiMarzio of Community Bingo Center commented on an item on page 9, under Video Surveillance. She recommended that surveillance be on the balls as they come out rather than on the caller stand. Mr. Kelley stated that he would look into this matter.

### **Commission Vote on the Final Report**

On a motion by Mr. Connors and seconded by Mr. Presby, the commission unanimously voted to approve and publish the final report with the amendments agreed upon.

### **Report Disposition**

Chairman Belair stated that once the final report is completed, it will be forwarded on to the designated recipients and it will also be posted on the Racing & Charitable Gaming website.

### **Chairman's Final Remarks**

Chairman Belair thanked the members of the Commission, the staff of Racing and Charitable Gaming, the staff of the Lottery Commission and members of the industry for their participation in the process.

The meeting adjourned shortly after noon.