#### PUBLIC MEETING OF THE ARIZONA LOTTERY

Commission Minutes of June 16, 2023, Meeting

**PRESIDING** Chair Jeff Weintraub (In-Person)

**COMMISSIONERS** Tereza Fritz (In-Person) Todd Newman, Tim Baumgarten, and Julie Katsel (Teleconference)

## **LOTTERY**

Executive Director; Alec Esteban Thomson, Russ Harben; Deputy Director of Operations & Chief Financial Officer, Todd Terrell; Deputy Director of Security and Investigations, and Christopher Rogers; Deputy Director of Products & Marketing (In-Person)

Luanne Mansanares, Orion Steen, John Gilliland, Stacey Henderson, and Anthony Calles (In Person) Alexandra Adukeh, Shelby Alessi, Cassandra Bierworth, Tim Brennan, Mary Cimaglio, Anjali Dang, Seana Gorski, Karla Henriksen, Michael Jennings, Susan Kalember, Mia Lemke, Vicki Nelson, Robin Peters, Lisa Schartz, Lynda Sellers, Kathleen Syms, Adam Tollefson, Nicholas Wagner, Kevin Williams, and Steven Wood. (Teleconference)

#### **GUESTS**

Attorney General Representative: Pam Peiser (Teleconference)

Scientific Games Representatives: Topper Wilson, Hanna Balamut, and Gabriel Reed (Teleconference)

Pollard Banknote Limited Representatives: Jessica Velardi Anna Garza,

Jessica Guffey, and John Papile

Owens Harkey Representatives: Noelle Hobaica (Teleconference)

#### **PUBLIC**

Christabel Agbathfah, Ropajadao Sacirarve, Kekeli Menasah, Tetteh Erie, Richiola Gyimah, and Javon Jennings (In-Person), and Kweku Sapara-Grant 933-xxx-xx42 (Teleconference)

#### Call to Order

- 1. Call for Quorum: Pursuant to the Public Notice dated June 7, 2023, the Public Meeting of the Arizona State Lottery Commission was called to order at 10:03 a.m. by Chair Jeff Weintraub. A quorum was present, with Chair Weintraub, and Commissioner Fritz (Appearing in-person), Vice Chair Newman, Commissioner Baumgarten, and Commissioner Katsel joined virtually.
- 2. **Notice:** Notice was posted by Luanne Mansanares on June 8, 2023, at 4:00 p.m., at the Arizona State Lottery, located at 4740 E. University Dr., Phoenix, Arizona.
- 3. **Approval of Minutes:** Chair Weintraub entertained a motion to approve the May 19, 2023, Public Meeting minutes. Commissioner Katsel moved; Commissioner Newman seconded. The vote was unanimous, with Chair Weintraub, Vice Chair Newman, Commissioner Katsel, Commissioner Baumgarten, and Commissioner Fritz all voting aye. The motion carried.

## **Agency Reports**

- 1. **Director's Presentation**: Executive Director Alec Esteban Thomson introduced newly appointed Commissioner Tereza Fritz, and John Gilliland presented information on the Gives Back Beneficiary of the Month.
- 2. **Retailer of the Quarter** Presented by Stacey Henderson
- 3. Financial Report Presented by Russ Harben.
- 4. New Games Introduction No Presentation

## **New Business**

1. Chair Weintraub asked if any members of the public wanted to address the Commission regarding new instant scratch game profiles: 5X#1432, 10X#1433, 20X#1434, 50X#1435, 100X#1436, Cash Blast #1438, and Bonus Word Crossword #1439. There was no response from the public.

In accordance with A.R.S. §5-554(C), Chair Weintraub entertained a motion to approve the orders and authorize the Director to issue the orders regarding new instant scratch game profiles: #1432, #1433, #1434, #1435, #1436, #1438 and #1439. Vice Chair Newman moved; Commissioner Katsel seconded. The vote was unanimous, with Chair Weintraub, Vice Chair Newman, Commissioner Katsel, Commissioner Baumgarten, and Commissioner Fritz all voting aye. The motion carried.

2. Chair Weintraub asked if any members of the public wanted to address the Commission regarding new Fast Play<sup>™</sup> game profile: *Year of the Dragon* #161. There was no response from the public.

In accordance with A.R.S. §5-554(C), Chair Weintraub entertained a motion to approve the order and authorize the Director to issue the order regarding new Fast Play<sup>TM</sup> game profile: #161. Commissioner Baumgarten moved; Commissioner Katsel seconded. The vote was unanimous, with Chair Weintraub, Vice Chair Newman, Commissioner Katsel, Commissioner Baumgarten, and Commissioner Fritz all voting aye. The motion carried.

3. Chair Weintraub asked if any members of the public wanted to address the Commission regarding new promotion game profile: 2023 "Powerball First Millionaire of the Year®" #129. There was no response from the public.

In accordance with A.R.S. §5-554(C), Chair Weintraub entertained a motion to approve the order and authorize the Director to issue the order regarding new promotion game profile: #129. Vice Chair Newman moved; Commissioner Baumgarten seconded The vote was unanimous, with Chair Weintraub, Vice Chair Newman, Commissioner Katsel, Commissioner Baumgarten, and Commissioner Fritz all voting aye. The motion carried.

# Call to the Public

Chair Weintraub invited members of the public to speak before the Commission. A member of the public stated: "Yes. Is there a way that we can update the Fantasy 5?" Commission Meeting Minutes June 16, 2023 Page 3 of 3

Luanne Mansanares requested that the member of the public please introduce himself by stating his first and last name for the record.

The member of the public apologized and stated his name as Javon Jennings.

Mr. Javon Jennings's addressed the Commission requesting that the Arizona Lottery update the Fantasy 5 game by allowing the jackpots to roll faster with the potential to have larger jackpots. Mr. Jennings gave examples of Georgia and North Carolina's Fantasy 5 jackpots and how quickly they rolled. He stated that by updating the game with different parameters and proper promotions the game would work.

Chair Weintraub asked if a member of the Arizona Lottery would like to answer the question. Executive Director Alec Esteban Thomson informed the Commission that the Arizona Lottery could do an internal analysis, obtain information from other states, and study the information. This is something that the Arizona Lottery products team can do.

Chair Weintraub informed Mr. Jennings that the Arizona Lottery products team will study this internally and provide Mr. Jennings with a response.

Luanne Mansanares asked Mr. Jennings if he would like to provide his contact information now, or if he would like to go onto the website and provide the information digitally. Mr. Jennings provided Ms. Mansanares with the information in person.

Chair Weintraub asked if any other members of the public would like to speak before the Commission. There was no response.

# **Announcements**

The next Commission meeting will be held in person on August 18, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. Chair Weintraub asked if there were any other announcements. There was no response.

# **Adjournment**

Chair Weintraub stated with nothing remaining on the agenda; we are adjourned. The meeting adjourned at 10:30 am.

## **Materials**

A copy of the agenda and background material provided to Commission members, which is not exempt by law from public inspection, is available for public inspection at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting at the Lottery Office located at 4740 East University Drive, Phoenix, Arizona.

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