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The Future of Unregulated Gaming to be Discussed at NCLGS Summer Meeting, July 17-20 in Pittsburgh

[The National Council of Legislators from Gaming States](#) ("NCLGS") distributed an updated announcement via email for their Summer Meeting. The NCLGS Summer Meeting will take place on July 17-20 of this year at Rivers Casino in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

NCLGS is an ideologically neutral entity that works to promote the proper regulation of gaming. Their semiannual meetings cater to the goals of legislative decision-makers in the gaming industry. At the most recent past meeting, the Winter Meeting in Fort Lauderdale, more than 300 people attended. In addition to regulators and legislators from across the United States, meetings are open to the public.

This year's Summer Meeting will focus on the issue of Skill Gaming and its unregulated market, among other pending issues within the industry.

Panelists for the upcoming meeting include:

- Anthony Gaud, Gaud-Hammer Gaming Group
- Jeff Morris, Penn Entertainment
- Kurt Steinkamp, Michigan Gaming Control Board
- Eric Weiss, Odds on Compliance

To register to attend the NCLGS Summer Meeting 2024, [click here](#).

Michigan Gaming Control Board Continues to Combat Casino-Style Machines Used for Illegal Gambling

On April 3, 2024, the Michigan Gaming Control Board (“MGCB”) [published](#) a news release to update Michigan residents regarding their recent efforts to combat illegal gambling.

The Michigan gaming industry has been plagued with concern surrounding the presence of unauthorized gambling machines. Unauthorized gambling machines located outside of licensed casinos lack safeguards to protect consumers and can undermine legitimate, regulated gaming establishments.

The MGCB has been, and is continuing to, raise awareness of the presence of these forms of illegal gambling. Their efforts to combat illegal gambling include removing such machines, confiscating and liquidating assets connected to illegal gambling operations, and strategically partnering with other government agencies including the Michigan Attorney General’s Office. By doing so, it is the MGCB’s goal for citizens and business owners to become aware of the consequences of illegal gambling in Michigan.

MGCB Executive Director Henry Williams said, “Thanks to the vigilant supervision of the Michigan Gaming Control Board, last year agency personnel were able to target and disrupt several instances of illegal gambling activities that undermined the integrity of our legitimate, regulated gaming industry.”

To report suspected illegal gambling activity, contact the MGCB at 1-888-314-2682 or

MIGamblingTip@michigan.gov

Gun Lake Casino’s Sal Semola Named “Best of The Best”

Sal Semola, Chief Executive Officer of Michigan’s Gun Lake Casino, has been [awarded](#) a spot on the Bently Price Associates’ “Best of The Best” list.

Gun Lake Casino is situated between Grand Rapids and Kalamazoo in West Michigan and offers an extensive range of dining and entertainment amenities in addition to a wide variety of gaming options.

Sal Semola has garnered 40+ years of experience in the entertainment/gaming industry, 25 of which he worked at the executive level. Already a recipient of the Eastern Division of Casino Management Association’s “Gaming Professional of the Year” award and the University of Nevada-Las Vegas William F. Harrah College of Hotel Administration’s “Industry Executive of the Year” award, Mr. Semola has opened four properties and invested billions of dollars in development projects over the course of his career. Prior to his time at Gun Lake Casino, Mr. Semola graduated from the University of Nevada-Las Vegas and the College of Southern Nevada and received a graduate degree from the University of Chicago Graduate School of Business Executive Education Program.

MotorCity Hotel Promotes Stacey Young to Senior Vice President of Casino Operations

On April 3, 2024, MotorCity Casino [announced](#) Stacey Young’s promotion to Senior Vice President of Casino Operations.

He will be primarily responsible for the overarching casino operations.

Regarding his promotion, Young said “I’m thrilled to be part of such an outstanding team, and I’m excited to continue elevating the guest experience at MotorCity Casino Hotel.”

Young boasts 25 years of casino management experience and joined MotorCity Casino Hotel in 2003. John Policicchio, the General Manager of MotorCity Casino Hotel, said of his contributions “Stacey’s dedication and expertise have been instrumental in delivering MotorCity Casino’s world-class experience.”

Michigan Gaming Control Board In-Person and Virtual Public Meeting Notice

The Michigan Gaming Control Board (“MGCB”) [released](#) a public notice on March 26, 2024 to announce the upcoming public meeting.

The meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 9, 2024, at 9:30 am and will take place in the Cadillac Place Board Hearing Room at the MGCB’s Cadillac Place Office, 3062 W. Grand Blvd., Suite L-700, Detroit, MI 48202-6062.

During the meeting, official Board business concerning implementation, administration, and enforcement of all governing Michigan gaming law, in addition to other matters that may be brought properly before the Board, will be conducted. The meeting agenda can be found [here](#).

There will be time allotted for public comment during the meeting, during which

attendees are welcome to ask questions, voice comments, or provide suggestions. To participate, submit a Public Sign In Sheet form to MGCBweb@michigan.com by 9:30 am on the day of the meeting.

Attendees may attend in-person, via zoom, or by telephone. To join via zoom, please use this [link](#).

To join via telephone, please use this information:

USA 646 931 3860

Webinar ID: 992 1596 0820

For additional resources and information regarding meeting details, please refer to the official MGCB website at [Board Meeting Schedule and Agendas \(michigan.gov\)](#).