

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON PROBLEM GAMBLING

Approved Minutes

Thursday, May 27, 2021

9:00 a.m. to Adjournment

1. **Call to order/roll call** – *Alan Feldman, Chair*

Mr. Feldman called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

Mrs. Garcia did attendance

Members: Alan Feldman, Chair; William Theodore Hartwell; Constance Jones; Carolene Layugan; Carol O'Hare; Denise Quirk, Vice Chair; Tammi Barlow

Absent: Brenda Rose

Staff/Guest: Andi Dassopoulos, University Nevada Las Vegas; Brook Adie, Public and Behavioral Health -Bureau; Lana Robards, Jeanyne Ward, Donna Meyers, Linda Marintat, Mitchell Berry, Sarah Polito, Stephanie Hui, Stephanie Goodman, Kim Garcia and Tammy Saling, Bureau of Behavioral Health and Wellness; Dr. Jeff Marotta, Tina Marie Bisiaux, Wendi Whitsett

2. **Public comment**– *Alan Feldman, Chair*

(Action may not be taken on any matter brought up under this agenda item until scheduled on an agenda for a later meeting)

Mr. Feldman asked for any Public Comment and there was no public comment made.

3. **Announcements** – *Alan Feldman, Chair*

Mr. Feldman announced that Brenda Rose has provided her notice to not renew her appointment to the committee. He said he will express his appreciation at a meeting when she is attending, however, he encouraged all to express their appreciation to her.

He then asked if there are any other announcements and Mrs. Garcia expressed her appreciation to Ms. Saling for completing the minutes as it is a very tedious job. Mr. Feldman also thanked Ms. Saling.

Later during Agenda item #4 Ms. Jones made an announcement that Mr. Hartwell has been elected to the Board of Directors of the National Council of Problem Gambling and congratulated him. Mr. Feldman also congratulated Mr. Hartwell. Mr. Hartwell thanked them and all who supported him in his journey to get to there and he is looking forward to seeing what he can contribute at the national level.

4. **For Possible Action**

Approval of Minutes February 28, 2021 meeting - *Alan Feldman, Chair*

Mr. Feldman asked the Committee to combine Agenda item 4 and 5 together and if there are any comments before moving to approve them.

Ms. O'Hare asked for two corrections. First is in the Minutes of March 31st, item #8 to replace the word "SAPTA" with the word "staff" and secondly item #14 the acronym "PGAM" should be "NCPG".

Mr. Feldman asked for a motion to approve Minutes of February 28 and March 31 with the stated amendments by Ms. O'Hare.

Ms. Quirk so moved as stated by Mr. Feldman. Ms. Jones seconded. Motion passed without abstention or opposition. Ms. Garcia stated that she will make sure the changes are made as stated.

5. **For Possible Action**

Approval of Minutes March 31, 2021 meeting - *Alan Feldman, Chair*

This item was combined in item #4.

6. **Department of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH) and Bureau of Behavioral Health Wellness and Preventions Updates (BHWP)**

a. **Informational** - Discussion on Fiscal Reports

Michelle Countryman/ Behavioral Health/ Administrative Services Officer I

Mrs. Garcia provided the update on behalf of Ms. Countryman. She shared her screen of the report for all to see. She stated that she and Ms. Countryman spoke last and went over the report. The report reflects that the spending is on target to have all dollars spend by end of the fiscal year. Cat 60 may possibly be reverted. It is beyond anyone's control due to COVID and travel was not allowed. Those dollars were allocated for travel and could not be reassigned. Cat 19 relates to interest dollars that we are not eligible for but it will show up on the balance sheet. Mr. Feldman clarified in summary what Mrs. Garcia reported to the committee.

b. **Informational** -Discussion on Program Updates

Kim Garcia/ Behavioral Health Wellness and Prevention/Social Services Program Specialist III

Mrs. Garcia continued sharing her screen for this update. She said that she received spending plans from all the providers and they are on target to spend all the funds. The "pending obligations" will be talked about when the meeting gets to item #7, reallocation of funds and suggestions to re-align ways to ensure the way all the dollars will be spent. She thanked the group for responding promptly regarding the spending of program dollars. Mrs. Garcia said she will continue monitoring the dollars closely for the next 15 days as a final check. She will also make sure that nothing out of the ordinary happens and make possible adjustments as needed. At the end of the year all the dollars will have been spent.

Another program update Ms. Garcia made is that she met with Michell Padden and Michell Berry and Mark from CASAT and to her understanding they are waiting on more information on the integration to get some division criteria updated and there was not a lot to update. It will be on the next meeting Agenda as there should be more information to provide an update.

c. **Informational** - Update on SFY 2022-2023 Request for Applications (RFA) for Treatment and Prevention

Kim Garcia/ Behavioral Health Wellness and Prevention/Social Services Program Specialist III

Mrs. Garcia thanked all who completed their application. The review committee reviewed six applications. Five for treatment and one for prevention. The Providers are all the same as the current fiscal year and for the next two years. There are two residentials, three outpatients. Three are in the North and two are in the South. Mrs. Garcia appreciated how organized they all were.

7. **For Possible Action**

Discussion and Possible Approval of Department Reallocations Recommendations

Kim Garcia, Behavioral Health Wellness and Prevention/Social Services Program Specialist III

Mrs. Garcia shared her screen with of same document. She pointed out that in 'pending obligation' \$13,000 was moved from Bristlecone based off spending. A request was received of other spending plans for International Problem Gambling Center and Mental Health Counseling and Consulting as their spending had increased. The \$13,000 remained among treatment. Those are the only changes happening. With that, 100% of treatment dollars will be spent. Mr. Feldman asked if any questions and summarized that the money was simply moved around within treatment and not moved into various categories.

Ms. O'Hare made motion to approve the reallocation recommendations. Mr. Hartwell seconded. Motion passed without abstention or opposition.

8. **Informational**

Project Proposals for SFY2022

a. **Gambling Treatment Diversion Court (GTDC)** -*Stefanie Hui/ Eighth Judicial District Court*

Mr. Feldman said that he and Mrs. Garcia talked some about looking in retrospect at what is coming up rather than what has already been done. He asked each project proposal to share what plans they have in the coming year and to take a few minutes to highlight their plans.

Ms. Hui began by sharing her screen and said that for the most part the next year is similar to this year. The majority of the funds still being requested is for GTDC coordinator. That coordinator will be tasked to do more case management, program management, policies and procedures, trainings on awareness and conferences. Most of what she has been doing. She is still in contact with Judge Moss as he travels around and continues to speak out on the matter. Other allocations funds being requested are from drug testing costs and fees. There are currently two drug testing labs. ATI does regular urine testing and the other is SCRAM that does patches and alcohol bonders. Some participants are self-paying, and it is costly. That is why we are asking for more funds there, so participants will not have to pay. Three percent is for operational supplies and materials. There are currently 8 participants and 2 pending the program. One

graduated last January. November is the programs three-year mark. The graduate's charges were dismissed as the participant completed all the program requirements including restitution.

Mr. Feldman shared a discussion he was in on a ZOOM call with State of Massachusetts. The conversation was a matter of what is perception of success and what is reality of success.

Ms. Hui shared that Washoe County has 13 specialty courts and last year there was a decrease in participants due to COVID except the Gambling Diversion Court. Many were surprised that theirs increased. Although it is a small number, it was the only specialty court that actually increase in participants.

Ms. O'Hare praised Ms. Hui in her role and will go down in history as why the program succeeded past the first year and how others will follow in the future as the program grows. Ms. Layugan also echoed Ms. O'Hare's praise of Ms. Hui's role and making the program successful.

b. Project Worth - Sarah Polito KPS3, Inc.

Ms. Polito shared a walk down memory lane of the 2020 Project Worth campaign. There were so many great calls with the committee. KPS3 learned a lot about the cause. Then Project Worth campaign was created, then executed and then COVID hit. The landing page was created, social media pages were sped up, more digital advertising in June. More partnerships were explored but was put on pause. Last year with the scale down in budget they went back to public relations and managing that landing page.

Looking at 2022, the goal for this year is driving people to treatment first and foremost. Secondly, reducing the stigma around problem gambling by educating people about "what is problem gambling?" as we get more messaging out.

There are a lot of good white pages out. We want to dive into more research and understand the new statistics so we can share.

We would like to meet with the five providers and what they have had happen this last year and how COVID changed things. Any information that would be helpful in getting the stories out there on how to get people into treatment and breaking down the stigma. We want to hear those captivating stories and keep the message fresh. The participants can be kept anonymous. The storied can be developed using avatars so no one has to be identified.

We will also develop more specific plans and tactics and create additional assets and content in blogs and videos by hearing those captivating stories that touches hearts and minds. We will establish public relations in geographical locations statewide, including rural areas.

More outreach and partnerships will be pursued. Mr. Feldman may be able to connect us to some casinos and use some marquees or other organizations that share the cause in the addiction. We want to keep reaching out and getting those stories that get people into treatment and change the stigma about problem gambling.

If more advertising budget were to come available, we would broaden our outreach to TV, radio, billboards, and more digital advertising every month and not just random months.

The next step is to share your plans with KPS3. We need more fresh content. If you know someone has a good story, please share. They can be kept anonymous. It is also important to ask how people heard about the program and get feedback to know what is working.

Ms. Goodman referred Ms. Polito over to a program she has been involved in called “Hope Means Nevada”. Most people are not ready to be on camera but at the same time this organization is campaigning around teenage suicide. It is an incredible program and obviously a very serious topic and what they have been able to do has been incredible. They just did a stress management month and did a lovely job. There are some counselors that may be willing to do a Facebook live and create some good content while sharing stories anonymously. Ms. Barlow asked if they considered a Podcast? She found it interesting how cheap it was to do the interviews on a platform such as Clubhouse or Spotify and people could still be anonymized. Ms. Polito loved the idea, however with the current budget, those podcasts were probably well produced and if more budget becomes available that would definitely be something to consider.

Ms. O’Hare commented on the fact that it is difficult to get people to tell their stories and being very careful about people just beginning. Ms. Polito stated that they are more focused on the people who have had success. Ms. O’Hare corrected the number of providers as being 6, not 5, as the counsel is also one that can fill in one of those gaps without outing a participant in treatment. She invited KPS3 to come to the conference on June 11th. It will be the best way to see this organically to see all of us as well as other in the community, like marriage and family therapist, social workers and people working in all aspects. Ms. Polito stated that they plan to be there.

Ms. Layugan asked Ms. Polito if KPS3 was going to be considering “in-language messaging?”. Considering the Asian population in both Northern and Southern Nevada and cultural sensitivities. Secondly, are they considering reaching out to aging media outlets? Ms. Polito stated having great success in transgracion. Looking at the message through the lens of various types of population and tailoring it to resonate with various origins in communities.

Ms. Quirk thanks Ms. Polito for having such great creativity and reaching people with such limited resources and now look how far they have come, and people being involved. She announced Reno Problem Gambling Center is having their first annual Recovery Day Open House on June 17th. She asked Ms. Polito’s thoughts on how to get that message out without utilizing a lot of time and establish a network messaging. Ms. Polito stated she would love to know more and support the cause. Ms. Quirk expressed her support in getting more funding for KPS3 to continue moving forward.

Mr. Hartwell asked to be included in the rural discussions. He has several monitoring stations that involves 23 different communities from Ely and South. He

has connections to individuals and all those communities, mostly consisting of school teachers, and those who can identify resources. He asked to reach out to him off-line, as he also has connection with Connell Outdoor Advertising. They have some big boards around airports and bus stop advertising and may be willing to donate ad space for a period. They have mentioned a willingness to do so. He is willing to make the “ask” and do an introduction.

c. Workforce Development - Jeanyne Ward, University of Nevada, Reno Center for the Application of Substance Abuse Technologies

Ms. Berry spoke in lieu of Ms. Ward on the funding of \$42,000 and that is what is anticipated to receive this time. With that we propose developing more training for clinicians currently practicing as Problem Gambling Counselors to participate in a Problem Gambling Clinical Supervision training. What we are finding there is not enough supervisors. A list of current Problem Gambler Counselors is to be targeted for becoming supervisors to train them as long as they have met the required qualifications as supervisors. Revising what is current to include additional Problem Gambling Counselors. She summarized the current training requirements and not make more coursework for those to become clinical supervisors but to remodel the current coursework and make it more appropriate for those individuals. Secondly, to include telehealth training related to ethics to Problem Gambling Counselors. I am asking staff to reach out to course participants that have not yet completed training to see where the barriers are. Currently, there are 109 registered in the course, 5 have completed, 2 are on-line and 2 are on-line plus the workbook. We want to find out why registrants have not continued. That is how we want to use the funding. If there is additional funding, we want to:

- Create a peer endorsement for Problem Gamblers who want to provide recovery support resources specific to problem gambling and be affiliated with the Nevada Peer Certification Board.
- Update the Senior Problem Gambling Toolkit to make those materials available on-line and more educational.
- Potentially provide coupon codes to access on-line training.
- Assist with the Problem Gambling Assessment Readiness Survey.
- Provide CEU’s as requested by the Board, that develop the training as requested, not to exceed three trainings or 6 hours of training.

Those are some of the ideas if we received additional funding. We also considered doing a Podcast after doing one on First Responder’s Families that was well received in the communities.

Mr. Hartwell asked how many supervisors and Certified Problem Gambling Counselors are there currently in the State? Ms. Ward provided there are 43 Certified Problem Gambling Counselors (active), eight supervisors with potentially more completing the course in internship can potentially become supervisors. Mr. Hartwell asked if there is a ratio of supervisors to interns that would be practical. The answer is a supervisor is only allowed to supervise 5 individuals. Ms. Quirk added that a request to the Board to have more can be made under special

circumstances. Ms. O'Hare commented for the record that the 43 'active' per the Board does not mean they are all working in the field.

d. Prevention – Carol O'Hare, Nevada Council on Problem Gambling

Ms. O'Hare echoed the appreciation of everybody. She said that she wanted to acknowledge Dr. Rena Nora who was a part of the original ACPG and was part of every piece of what we have talked about.

She also wanted to state a correction about Mr. Hartwell and his new position that he was not appointed, he was elected to the Board of the National Council. He is also an affiliate representative of this Board.

She provided an update report while sharing a one-pager on the screen and began by saying that her organization is like the grassroots on the ground and continued to review three main points in the report. The goal is to keep up the pace, continue to expand with social media platforms as well as continue in community outreach as the organization is sometimes the first time anyone has even heard about problem gambling issues or addiction. This is what we do and then we ask what else can we do and start targeting what we can do to introduce and explore more about problem gambling and will continue to do so. We will continue to work at the workforce development, public awareness and education opportunities online is ongoing. Additionally, the court system may not be openly seen however, she has participated in the Gambling Diversion court program and Nevada may go down as leading in the forefront in the Diversion Court system. Judge Bell has been catapulting this program as a well-oiled machine and is highly respected in seeing what has been accomplished.

e. Information Management & Research I – Bo Bernhard, University of Nevada Las Vegas, International Gaming Institute

Mr. Bernhard stated that since the last ask of funding support, two big things have happened. First, there now is a graduating class from the University Nevada Las Vegas first ever medical school. The school now has a new Dean since the last meeting. He is one who is exceedingly passionate about an Addictions Center of Excellence which allows for broader conversations about opioids and medical tourism. Which may allow more funding opportunities. Secondly, an announcement that he is now the Vice President of UNLV which allows him to oversee various programs at the school, including the medical part which will include a much stronger infrastructure support that we didn't have before.

He complimented Ms. Dassopoulos on her masterful ability leading the charge day to day and turned the meeting over to her.

Ms. Dassopoulos said there are some great things happening in the coming year and provided a PowerPoint and went over future plans for the group.

Mr. Feldman commented the Dr. Krouse is extraordinarily sensitive about suicidality and has and is writing about it now. We will have some academics work to point to on that. Also joining the team is Dr. Sologo who is an extraordinary

physiologist whose work is primarily in travel and tourism. She will be new to Problem Gambling and will add new energy, new perspective to the discussions on Problem Gambling.

Mr. Hartwell asked that they continue to keep him in the discussions and as moving forward to in this different funding time and be sure to revisit of restoring the funding we have had for those seed monies for research. The one done in the past was so successful and it is important to continue to revisit that. He also wanted to thank Mr. Bernhard who previously had asked him to do a presentation to the medical students and he's been doing so almost every year since and is probably the only medical school that has information related to problem gambling given to them. Mr. Bernhard commented that now those medical students are grownup doctors from those courses and what an amazing thing when a university can create more people helping more people. Those students are now doctors. Most people don't know that Las Vegas, for the longest time, was the largest American city without a medical school which makes this so amazing. He adds another note of optimism, a stars aligning moment that not only is there a new school Dean, Mark Conn, who is a go-getter and believes in addictions as a field is where UNLV can make a mark. The President and CEO at UNLV are both psychologist we don't have to explain mental health and addictions because it is a problem of excess. COVID created a lot of questions about what the future holds for us and people learned what darkness was and depression. The COVID period brought out how important mental health is. What hopefully comes from it is a deeper appreciation of understanding mental health and those who suffer. Of course, included is a group of people who suffer from problem gambling. Now that he has a seat next to the President and CEO of UNLV as we decide how to protect the mental health of 36,000 people at UNLV with all coming back to campus now. I feel I have grown up with all here on this screen and look forward to working together in the future with all of you.

Ms. Quirk recalled the time when the funding was cut for research after Mr. Bernhard had created a system of accountability and to see that happen was hard. Now to see the stars align and to his and Ms. Dassapoulos passion for this group is so appreciated and hoping we can sustain this bright future.

Mr. Bernhard added how kind and off the chart smart Ms. Dassapoulos, Dr, Kraus is also off the chart kind and smart and Dr. Solog is also as smart and very excited to join this field and to have these two additions coming on board is hopeful for more successful wins in the future.

f. *Treatment Programs – Optional Presentations Presented by Grantees*

Ms. Quirk reported that treatment at the Reno Problem Gambling will continue with a couple things. 1) Hope, that's what we deliver with every phone call or conversation, 2) expert help, 3) Triage and expanding our recovery resource center, 4) Hybrid

services and telehealth improvement 5) outpatient and friends of outpatients, 6) co-occurring in lot of ways; health, legal, finances, and family. We are knitting together a lot of different components. 7) Repeating a lot of community efforts with partners this year. 8) Outreach events - June 17th is the first annual Open House for the Recovery Outreach 9) training clinicians and others and continue bringing people in. 10) Research and legacy – we are a voice and do service and will continue and want to see more than the 10% growth. That is just a minimum. 11) We advocate as a team with all our hearts anywhere. 12) Keep what we have at RPGC happy, joyous, and free or ‘nearly’ free. Thanks to the amazing grants received.

Ms. Robards announced that New Frontier celebrated the 50th year anniversary this year in July. They have provided gambling services for a while since 2006 when funding became available. Since the beginning we have grown and added psychiatric treatment, medication management, assisted treatment, co-occurring, crime rate, targeted case management, peer recovery and basic skills training to the gambling specific treatment we are able to provide.

What we have learned over the years is that you cannot just pluck out one piece why someone has a gambling addiction issue. You have to treat the whole person. Once assessed and screened for all the individual and family when you identify is when you can do something about it. Our slow growth moving forward is to expand on those services. Our wrap around cocoons the individual and the families. It has been difficult getting families involved.

Mr. Feldman told Ms. Robards that when he heard of the upcoming anniversary, he contacted Ms. Polito at KPS3 and hopes they will provide some coverage of the event as a tremendous opportunity for news coverage. He asked Ms. Garcia to follow-up with that.

Ms. Goodman read to the group a summary of future plans and updates of current plans. She said that new counselor has been brought on board. The plan is to keep working with the modular plan built by Dr. Hunter's work. The biggest challenge she can see is reaching those problem gamblers, as well as their families, and communicating two things: a) gambling is a legitimate addiction and b) help is available. We have developed some initiatives to help expand on those two basic challenges. There are multiple initiatives in advocacy, community awareness specific to our program and creative funding so we don't have to turn anybody away.

Ms. Bisiaux introduced herself and works at Bristlecone. She recently started working with problem gamblers. Her goal at Bristlecone (which has weekly meetings for problem gamblers many years) is to expand the program. She currently has 12 clients and plans to recontact former participants to re-establish them in resources available. She announced also having an Open House on the 18th of June.

9. **For Possible Action**

Discussion and Possible Approval of Department Recommended State Fiscal Year 2022 Allocations

Kim Garcia, Behavioral Health Wellness and Prevention/Social Services Program Specialist III

Mrs. Garcia shared her screen on Problem Gambling Service Components Recent Appropriations by Category. Dr. Marrotta will chime in as needed. She stated the information here is like a birds eye view from pre-COVID on into 2022. There was a loss of approximately \$176,000 for the budget reduction and modifications were needed to mirror 2020. Dr. Marrotta added that these numbers are what is recommended based on 2020 initial allocations but have changed from time to time based on emergent needs. This is where we are now but does not mean this is where we will be at end of fiscal year. Mrs. Garcia provided a summary of categories, and some broken down different levels.

A summary update was given on the following:

- Treatment has Diversion Court and major reallocation dollars.
- Prevention has counsel and KPS3 contract.
- Workforce Development includes CASAT requests and the conference.
- Dr. Marrotta's contract for technical assistance
- Diversion Court additional
- Information Technology and Research was broken out in Strategic Plan as 2 items both equaled \$400,000 because of the 10 survey questions if we want to continue.

She said the projections for Treatment were based on 2020 because 2021's major budget reduction, Performance Standards and the anticipated dollars. The indirect was not written in. It was for \$7.4 million for Contracts and Work Orders.

Dr. Marrotta commented on the RFA process to acknowledge good work put into proposals. Everyone was fully funded to amount that was requested. Mrs. Garcia stated some needed adjustments due to percentages.

Mr. Feldman requested Mrs. Garcia to go back to the summary and asked Dr. Marrotta for clarification that beyond whatever re-allocations might take place between the providers now that there still is the \$16,376, should everyone spend all allocated and should they need a little more. Dr. Marrotta replied that he is correct. Mr. Feldman commented what is most important is that all the dollars are spent by end of fiscal year. Mrs. Garcia added that because this is a base year it is more so important to spend all the dollars for projected years.

Ms. Jones asked, "what the Performance Standards are". Dr. Marrotta replied that Performance Standards is the system in place that identifies agencies that meet defined benchmarks are provided financial incentives to do so. In situations where money is tight, those with higher performance rates may have additional allocations that protects them better. He summarized a few ways when looking at in the Strategic Plan, which provides more detail.

- Access – seen within 72 hours from time of first contact.
- Successful completions provided by the provider at the time of discharge. 40% is quite good. The form defines completion and providers are paid for each form. There are intake forms, utilization forms and discharge forms that allow us to collect data needed.
- Prevention and how strong the program is. It engaging so that clients remain to the end of the program, and
- Measures are defined and scored.

Ms. Jones thanked Dr. Marrotta, and Mrs. Garcia moved on to the next screen related to Global Performance Rating and what drives that. Mr. Feldman asked if there is a motion to

approve the recommended allocations. Ms. Jones stated that she so moved to approve the recommended allocations. Ms. Quirk seconded. Motion passed without abstention or opposition.

10. Informational

Advisory Committee on Problem Gambling Work Group Updates

a. Discussion on Treatment Provider Group Updates– *Denise Quirk, Work Group Chair*

Ms. Quirk stated that there are no further updates.

11. For Possible Action

Advisory Committee on Problem Gambling Legislative Work Group Updates and Discussion and Possible Approval of the ACPG Legislative Work Group COVID 19 Impact on Problem Gambling Statement - *Stephanie Goodman, Work Group Chair*

This update was provided in Agenda item 8.

12. For Possible Action

Discussion and Possible Approval of the SFY2022 & 2023 DHHS Problem Gambling Services Strategic Plan and Provider Manual with ACPG endorsement requested for Version 1.0, *Jeffrey Marotta, PhD, Problem Gambling Solutions*

Dr. Marotta stated he has provided some overview previously and received feedback that informed the plan very little. Largely what was presented was that the only changes where we had a better handle on the FY22 Budget. That was deferred in the previous draft. The other change was in the telehealth policy and that could use some strengthening. There are now more defined parameters around provider education, training that is required to provide telehealth. As you recall, we had to pivot quickly from brick and mortar to telehealth. Providers also had to pivot quickly. We are backing up now to include six hours of telehealth specific training, including 2-3 hours of ethics in telehealth medicine services. Most providers already have met that standard when developing their program, but we wanted to include this to include our expectation of future providers and staff coming aboard.

The Strategic Plan and the Provider Manual are now relabeled from .0 version (the draft) to .1 version of Provider Manual and the Strategic Plan that with the Boards approval will go into effect July 1, 2021 and guide us for the next couple years. We are seeking the endorsement here today. It is 99% the same as the last meeting with minor change in telehealth.

Mr. Feldman asked if there are any questions. Hearing none, Ms. O'Hare motioned to approve both documents. Ms. Jones seconded. Motion passed without abstention or opposition.

13. Informational

Advisory Committee on Problem Gambling Governance

a. Discussion on Advisory Committee Roles and Responsibilities – *Alan Feldman, Chair*

Mr. Feldman said that he wants to double check that all have the right committee roles, which is the Legislative Subcommittee, Treatment Provider... asked Mrs. Garcia if this is correct. She replied it was an agenda item 2-3 meetings ago about voting who to be the Legislative Representative and our point of contact. It was to address what are legislative roles as an ACPG Member.

Mr. Feldman said that what is most important here is the requirement by the State that there be only one official representative at the Legislative Council Building. In the past that was voted to be Ms. Quirk as she is the closest demographically and seems to be no reason to change that. Don't have to re-vote, however, does anyone have any comment. I also do remind that if any of us do communicate with Legislature or Governor's Office, may do so individually, but not as a member of this Committee. That much must be clear, that is a requirement of the Attorney General's Office.

Ms. O'Hare asked for a re-cap of who has applied or shown interest to join the group. Mrs. Garcia stated that is to discuss in the next agenda item. Mr. Feldman stated that all has re-applied and Shane Krouse has applied. Mrs. Garcia stated that is correct, however, pending the end of legislature.

Mr. Hartwell clarified that he re-applied last year for this cycle and has one more year. Mrs. Garcia clarified that he is on the 'off-cycle'. Ms. O'Hare asked for clarification of a headcount of all the seats filled or is there still one vacant. Mrs. Garcia stated there will be one vacant as of July 1. Shane Krouse will most likely go into Don Yargersons seat but has not been appointed yet. There will be one vacant that was Brenda Rose. Ms. O'Hare asked if that was a mental health seat. Mrs. Garcia replied that it is not. That seat is one of the three seats of the general public. Mr. Feldman commented that if there is anyone that does not have to have a problem gambling but has had some form of nexus to problem gambling that may be interested in joining the group, please reach out to them and see if they are interested. Ms. O'Hare pointed out to consider more diverse locations and try broadening the arena.

Mr. Feldman stated now to move on to #14

b. Committee Membership– Alan Feldman, Chair

c. Discussion on Position Statement or Show of Support letter – Alan Feldman, Chair

14. For Possible Action

Discussion and Possible Approval Updated bylaws – Alan Feldman, Chair

Mr. Feldman addressed the bylaws document that was shared on the screen. Particularly page 4, item #6, at the end of section 'A'. The only change is the number. It has been discussed previously and asks if there is a motion to approve. Ms. O'Hare made motion to approve based on all previous discussions. Ms. Quirk seconded. Motion passed without abstention or opposition. Mrs. Garcia will send the amended document to all individually for signatures and the to Mr. Whittley.

15. For Possible Action

Nominations and Elections of Advisory Committee Members – Alan Feldman, Chair

Mr. Feldman stated that currently he and Ms. Quirk are the Officers and has felt awkward nominating themselves again. There is at least one new Member, maybe even two soon, and he asked the group to give this more thought until the next meeting and discuss it.

Ms. O'Hare addressed the bylaws stating, "officers shall not from the same geological area." That being said then Ms. Quirk is on the hook since we do not have someone that is not from Southern Nevada area. Ms. O'Hare is happy being a Member and not an Officer but is interested in hearing who else who may be interested. Mrs. Garcia asked Mr. Feldman if the subject is to be tabled for the next meeting. He replied that it should but let us all be prepared to discuss and take a vote. That include nominating someone else and no one will be offended.

Ms. Jones asked for clarification of "what are the geographical areas in the State?", "North and South?" Ms. O'Hare said that is a good question. Generally, we have divided the State by North, South and Rural. She asked if this requirement is tied to State requirement or more standard procedure to abide by or is it because of the bylaws? Ms. Jones asked, "then what would happen if we lost Ms. Quirk"? Matter is tabled for the next meeting.

16. Informational

Discussion on Future Agenda Items – Alan Feldman, Chair

Mr. Feldman stated the obvious agenda item just tabled will be on the next Agenda and asked for any other Agenda items.

Mrs. Garcia stated that she will look into those questions and provide findings at the next meeting which she is looking at the week of July 22 or 29. After further discussion to calendar the next meeting for all the Members, it was decided the next meeting will be July 19, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. The next meeting was also decided to be September 16, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. and the next after that will be November 17, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Ms. Garcia will send calendar invites to all to have its place on their calendars. Additionally, starting June 1, as the Attorney General's Office requires all meetings have at least one physical location. Microsoft TEAMS can also still be utilized.

17. Public comment – Alan Feldman, Chair

Mr. Feldman asked if there is any public comment? Hearing none, asked for a motion to adjourn. Ms. O'Hare motion to adjourn. Ms. Jones seconded. Motion passed without abstention or opposition.

18. Adjournment - Alan Feldman, Chair

Meeting adjourned at 11:51 a.m.