CHAIR JAMES: With that we’re now at the final stage where we talk about conclusions and next steps. I know this isn’t going to please my friends in the media and the audience, but I’m going to ask that we go into Executive Session to talk a little bit about next steps because that will include some discussion of personnel.

With that, I assure you that when we come out of that I will inform you of exactly what we talked about and where we go.

COMMISSIONER LOESCHER: Madam Chairman, before we do that, may I make that 30 second comment?

CHAIR JAMES: Absolutely.

COMMISSIONER LOESCHER: I have now heard the comment from Richard and from John and now from Leo about a short report, a succinct report. Obviously, I agree that it ought to be to the point, succinct, well written.

This is the first gambling commission that we’ve had in 20 years and it may be the last one for 20 years and I don’t believe we ought to be driven by that, if there’s something that ought to be in there. And if there’s information that we have generated that has import, we should put it in there even if it gets a little longer. Maybe one voice, but that’s the way I feel.

CHAIR JAMES: Well, I would just say to that point I am more interested in producing a quality report that includes everything that we think needs to be there and so I would be more predisposed not to set any sort of limit on what the report ought to be and if it should be in there, let’s put it in there and if it shouldn’t, let’s don’t and we get what we get in terms of setting a page limit. That would be my predisposition, but I’m open for discussion and to hear from other commissioners.
COMMISSIONER LOESCHER: Different subject, your letter to the ACIR meets with my approval and I don’t know about the other commissioners, but if you need some kind of motion or consensus, I’d be willing to join that.

CHAIR JAMES: I just need an edit back. I don’t need a motion.

COMMISSIONER LOESCHER: Madam Chairman, one other thing. I don’t know if my chairman is going to make a comment about Indian Gaming chapter.

CHAIR JAMES: Yes, Paul did mention to me that he felt strongly that Indian Gaming needed to be out and in a distinct and separate chapter and I certainly have no objection to that. If any other commissioner does, this would be a good time to mention that, otherwise we can just do that.

COMMISSIONER DOBSON: I support that.

COMMISSIONER LOESCHER: And Madam Chairman, we would use as a working document for the completion of the draft of the committee.

CHAIR JAMES: I understand there are several documents that you all are working on and I would like for the committee, the three of you to sort of come to some consensus on that so that the rest of the Commission can have the benefit of your wisdom.

We’d like to have that document by week’s end?

COMMISSIONER LOESCHER: Madam Chairman, subject to the review of the regulatory aspects, I am good with the last draft that was worked out.

CHAIR JAMES: Fantastic.
COMMISSIONER LOESCHER: With Mr. Seay’s input and Dr. Moore and Commissioner Bible.

CHAIR JAMES: Well, we anxiously await that and would encourage you to keep working it should.

COMMISSIONER BIBLE: I haven’t reviewed the draft document. I’ve seen some draft findings and recommendations. I haven’t seen all of the material.

CHAIR JAMES: We’re going to withhold any decision on that until after we do have a chance to see it and review it.

COMMISSIONER LANNI: Do we have a title for that particular chapter since it’s a new chapter?

CHAIR JAMES: Are you all recommending a title with that?

COMMISSIONER LOESCHER: Native American Tribal Gaming.

COMMISSIONER LANNI: No, Jim, I was just going to say a report to be immortal, need not be eternal.

CHAIR JAMES: Amen.

COMMISSIONER LANNI: It should be all inclusive, I agree.

COMMISSIONER DOBSON: It can get out of hand. Obviously, the Pornography Commission was 2000 pages.

CHAIR JAMES: No, we’re not going to do that. Absolutely. With that, we’re going to go into Executive Session and we’ll come out. I don’t think we’ll need more than about 20 minutes or so to talk through some issues. I would ask the media to please remove your bags and recorders. For those of you who haven’t been following this Commission from the beginning, we had a very interesting first executive session where the reporters left the recorders running when they left the room. Very ingenious.
CHAIR JAMES: Thank you for your patience. We had some staffing to discuss, personnel issues, how to deal with our contractor in terms of the process and getting things done. So having worked through all of that one of the things that we need to confirm -- are there any concluding remarks, statements, issues, things that need to come before the Commission?

I should say for the record in pulling out our calendars and recognizing as part of the process that we are going to have to have an additional meeting, that meeting is tentatively scheduled for June 2nd and 3rd and out of deference to our five Commissioners who always come to the East Coast, that will be a West Coast meeting and will be held in San Francisco.

COMMISSIONER MOORE: It was pushed on us.

CHAIR JAMES: Any other issues to come before the Commission?

COMMISSIONER LOESCHER: Madam Chair, I’d like to move we adjourn.

CHAIR JAMES: So moved. Second?

COMMISSIONER McCARTHY: Second.

CHAIR JAMES: Duly moved and seconded. All in favor?

(AYES.)

CHAIR JAMES: All opposed? The meeting is adjourned.