

Favorite Place to Play!

Table Games Expansion and Marketing

Prairie Meadows Racetrack and Casino

2004

April Legislature passes bill to allow table games

July Regulatory approval is granted

Hiring of management staff

August Supervisory staff hiring; training begins

Construction begins

December Target date to open table games



Table Games Timeline

Casino Games

Number of games?

How soon?

Which games to provide?

Casino Design

Making it fit with existing space

Meeting Challenges

Weekly meetings



Initial Considerations

Management and Employee Issues

Management knowledge Logistical issues

Staffing – Front Line Employees

New or experienced?

Licensing issues and turnover



Planning for Table Games

Issues to Consider

Outsource training or develop curriculum?
On-site or off-site training school?

Learn single or multiple games?

Paid or unpaid training?

Internal transfers or external hires?





Employee Training

Synergy with Racing

Table designs & location

Dealer uniforms

Casino chips & playing cards

TV locations in games area

Roving tellers





Incorporating Racing



Your Favorite Place to Play!

Start-Up

Projections based on market realities

Marketing and PR

Length of time to stabilize

Adding Capacity

Cautiously – react to market

Carnival games – mix with Blackjack

Slot machine upgrades



Honeymoon Period

Finishing the Expansion

\$60 Million Expansion – February 2007

New Paddock

Entertainment/Banquet Facility

Two new restaurants

Increase Slot & Table Games



Expansion and Future Growth

Summary

Research the marketplace

Hire experienced management staff

Allow time to train managers & supervisors

Over hire – anticipate attrition

Keep it flexible consider alternatives

Plan for additional growth



What We Have Learned

