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GAMING CONTROL BOARD

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PUBLIC MEETING

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BEFORE: MEMBERS OF THE BOARD:

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Sean Logan

Kathy M. Manderino (Via Telephone)

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Department of Treasury

Jorge Augusto, Esquire, Designee,

Department of Agriculture

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PA GAMING CONTROL BOARD EXECUTIVE STAFF WHO APPEARED
BEFORE THE BOARD:

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DANETTE BIXLER-GEORGE, Director of Human Resources

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CHAIRMAN: Good morning, everybody.

I'm David Barasch, Chairman of the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board. If you haven't already, please turn your electronic devices on silent.

With us today is Jorge Augusto, representing Russell Redding, Secretary of Agriculture, and Jen Langan, representing Joe Torsella, the State Treasurer. Thank you for coming and joining us.

Commissioner Manderino, who's recovering from surgery, is at home and is joining us by telephone.

Are you there, Kathy?

MS. MANDERINO: I am. Good morning, everyone.

CHAIRMAN: Good morning. Okay.

Quorum of the Board members being present, I'll call the proceedings to order. The first order of business, the Pledge of Allegiance.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED

CHAIRMAN: The Board held an Executive Session yesterday, July 9th, to discuss personnel matters and to conduct quasi-judicial deliberations

1 relating to matters coming before the Board this
2 morning.

3 PUBLIC HEARING WAS HELD

4 BREAK WAS TAKEN

5 CHAIRMAN: Obviously there was a lot
6 of new information brought to our attention today,
7 specifically relating to traffic and the existence or
8 nonexistence of a ramp and all of the rest of that.
9 So, we are - we are going to table a vote on this
10 matter. And hopefully between now and our next
11 meeting we can fully evaluate the information that
12 we've been given today, and disparate views, and
13 hopefully come back at our August meeting and be able
14 to rule on the entire matter at that time. But thank
15 you for your presentation.

16 Next order of business. Do I have
17 consideration for a motion to approve the minutes and
18 transcripts of the May 15th and May 29th meetings?
19 May I have such a motion?

20 MR. KERNODLE: Mr. Chairman, I move
21 the Board approve the minutes and transcripts of the
22 May 15th and May 29th, 2019 meeting.

23 MR. LOGAN: Second.

24 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

25 AYES RESPOND

1 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's
2 adopted.

3 Kevin?

4 ATTORNEY O'TOOLE: Good morning - or
5 good afternoon, Chairman Barasch.

6 CHAIRMAN: No, we're still morning.
7 We're still morning.

8 ATTORNEY O'TOOLE: Okay.

9 CHAIRMAN: You're good.

10 ATTORNEY O'TOOLE: Okay. I'm good.

11 This morning, I would like to provide
12 a summary of the Category 4 auction process, as set
13 forth in Senate Bill 712, recently passed by the
14 General Assembly on June 28th, 2019, as an amendment
15 to the Fiscal Code and signed into law by Governor
16 Wolf.

17 Senate Bill 712 directed, in part,
18 that the Board conduct further auctions of Category 4
19 Slot Machine Licenses. Pursuant to that legislation,
20 the Board will conduct up to five auctions, starting
21 at minimum bids of \$7.5 million for the right to
22 select Category 4 locations.

23 The auctions are to commence on
24 September 4th, 2019 and continue every two weeks
25 thereafter until such time as no bid is received at a

1 scheduled auction.

2 Entities eligible to participate in
3 the auction are Category 1, Category 2 or Category 3
4 Licensees in good standing, as a Slot Machine Licensee
5 and a Table Game Certificate Holder.

6 Following the auction process, winning
7 bidders shall submit an application for a Category 4
8 License, which, upon receipt, of the license,
9 authorizes the operator to conduct gaming at a future
10 Category 4 casino facility, which may operate between
11 300 and 750 slot machines, and potentially up to 40
12 table games.

13 It should be noted that the auction
14 process does not, itself, result in the award of a
15 Category 4 License. The process is intended to
16 identify a Category 4 location, which is defined as a
17 fixed coordinate surrounded by a 15 linear mile
18 radius, resulting in a Category 4 location, quote,
19 unquote, which encompasses a 30-mile circle.

20 The winning bidder then has the right
21 to submit an application for a license for a Category
22 4 facility within the area of that Category 4
23 location. A selected Category 4 location may not be
24 situated within 40 linear miles of a licensed facility
25 or another Category 4 facility location. This means

1 that the 30-mile circle, which depicts the Category 4
2 location, may not intercept or overlap with the
3 40-mile circle around a Category 1, a Category 2 or a
4 Category 3 licensed facility or a previously
5 established Category 4 location.

6 Finally, the auction process does not
7 call for the Board to take any official action during
8 the auctions. Rather, it anticipates the receipt of
9 bids, the opening of those bids and the identification
10 of the high bidder for a Category 4 location. Because
11 no action of the Board is required at the auctions, I
12 request that the Board authorize me, as the Executive
13 Director to coordinate the administrative functions of
14 the auction that would consist of receiving the bids,
15 opening the bids and revealing the identity of the
16 high bidder, the amount of the high bid and that
17 bidder's selected Category 4 location.

18 So, at this time, I ask the Board a
19 motion to approve the policy implementing this new
20 round of auctions, which largely replicates the
21 process we utilized in early 2018 with modifications
22 to accommodate the new mandates of Senate Bill 712,
23 and also to authorize the Executive Director to
24 oversee the auction process.

25 Thank you.

1 CHAIRMAN: May I have a motion?

2 MR. SANTONI: Yes. Mr. Chairman, I
3 move that the Board approve the policy reimplementing
4 the Category 4 casino auction process, as described by
5 the Executive Director and that the Board delegate to
6 the Executive Director the authority to conduct the
7 Category 4 auctions.

8 MS. REITZEL: Second.

9 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

10 AYES RESPOND

11 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's
12 adopted.

13 Thank you, Kevin. Danette, good
14 morning.

15 MS. BIXLER-GEORGE: Good morning.
16 Good morning, Chairman, Board members.

17 The Office of Human Resources has one
18 motion for your consideration today relative to the
19 hiring of two individuals and one administrative
20 motion relative to the Board's classification and
21 compensation structure.

22 First, Jon Renson, has been selected
23 as a Casino Compliance Representative under the Bureau
24 of Casino Compliance. He's completed the interview
25 process, background investigation and drug screening

1 and is recommended for hire by Acting Director of
2 Casino Compliance, Trevor Hassenbein.

3 Secondly, Robert Swank has been
4 selected as an Investigator in the Centre region under
5 the Bureau of Investigations and Enforcement (BIE).
6 He, too, has completed the interview process,
7 background investigation and drug screening, and is
8 recommended for hire by Director of Investigations and
9 Enforcement, Paul Mauro.

10 Unless you have any questions, I ask
11 that the Board consider a motion to approve the hiring
12 actions as indicated.

13 CHAIRMAN: Are there any questions or
14 comments from the Board on this matter? Hearing none,
15 may I have a motion?

16 MR. LOGAN: Mr. Chairman, I move the
17 Board approve the applicants for hire, as proposed by
18 the Human Resource Director.

19 MR. MUSTIO: Second.

20 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

21 AYES RESPOND

22 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? I'm sorry,
23 Kathy. That was in favor?

24 MS. MANDERINO: That was an aye.
25 Sorry.

1 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's
2 adopted.

3 MS. BIXLER-GEORGE: The second matter
4 is based upon communications that have been ongoing
5 since 2018 with the American Federation of State,
6 County and Municipal employees known as AFSCME or the
7 union to undertake an extensive classification or
8 review of union covered positions within the Gaming
9 Control Board.

10 The first step in this process has
11 been a review of the union covered positions within
12 the Office of Information Technology. Revisions have
13 been made to all of the classifications within the
14 Office of Information Technology, based upon ongoing
15 complexity of work performed in these positions due to
16 the proprietary or tailored information technology
17 development, utilization or implementation across the
18 board.

19 With the recent changes to the
20 classifications in OIT, there have been three
21 classifications I've had revisions, name change and/or
22 pay grade changes within the structure. A memo
23 explaining these changes was provided to you in
24 advance of this meeting to summarize the changes.

25 First is the position of Information

1 Technology Generalist description of duties that was
2 amended, and is being changed from a pay range seven
3 to a pay range eight job on the union pay schedule.

4 Next is a position of Applications
5 Developer description of duty which was amended and is
6 being changed from a pay range eight to a pay range
7 nine on the union pay schedule.

8 Finally, the position of Information
9 Technology Support Specialist, which was changed to
10 the Information Technology Operations Specialist. The
11 description of duties was amended, and the - it was
12 moved and the pay from a pay grade eight to a pay
13 grade nine on the union pay schedule.

14 I would be happy to entertain
15 questions that you may have relative to these changes.
16 If there are none, I would ask for a motion
17 formalizing the changes as described.

18 CHAIRMAN: Are there any questions or
19 comments from the Board? Hearing none, may I have a
20 motion?

21 MR. MUSTIO: Mr. Chairman, I move that
22 the Board approve the updated PGCB Classification and
23 Compensation Structure, as proposed by the Human
24 Resource Director.

25 MS. REITZEL: Second.

1 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

2 All in favor?

3 AYES RESPOND

4 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's
5 adopted.

6 MS. BIXLER-GEORGE: Thank you.

7 CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Danette.

8 Doug Sherman.

9 ATTORNEY SHERMAN: Good morning,
10 Chairman and members of the Board. Our first Agenda
11 item relates to a Final-Form Regulation which
12 Assistant Chief Counsel Chad Zimmerman is here to
13 present.

14 ATTORNEY ZIMMERMAN: Good morning,
15 Chairman. Chairman and members of the Board. As the
16 Chief Counsel indicated, the next matter is Final-Form
17 Regulation Rulemaking Packet #125-206, which touches
18 on numerous sections of Board Regulations.

19 The various topics that are addressed
20 in the Final-Form Regulation involve changes to the
21 process under which a permittee may surrender a
22 license, modification to the report and requirements
23 of junkets, modifications to the Board's review of
24 management agreement and the standard of review,
25 modifications to procedures for approval and

1 implementation of a Slot Machine Licensee's job
2 compendium. Incorporation of statements of policies
3 pertaining to wide area progressive systems, remote
4 system access, use of electronic crediting system and
5 bonus wagers in table games of play. Modification of
6 certain progressive wager amounts incrementation rates
7 for consistency purposes. Limits on implementation of
8 payout limits on certain wagers, and the addition of a
9 new side wager to Saigon 5 card.

10 I'd be happy to answer any question
11 you have on this packet of regulatory material. A
12 more detailed memorandum was provided in anticipation
13 of this meeting.

14 CHAIRMAN: Thank you. Any questions
15 or comments from the Board? Hearing none, may I have
16 a motion?

17 MS. REITZEL: Mr. Chairman, I move
18 that the Board approve the Final-Form Regulation
19 #125-206, as described by the Office of Chief Counsel
20 (OCC).

21 MR. SANTONI: Second.

22 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

23 AYES RESPOND

24 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's
25 adopted.

1 ATTORNEY ZIMMERMAN: Thank you.

2 CHAIRMAN: Thank you.

3 ATTORNEY SHERMAN: Today the Board has
4 three Petitions before it for consideration. Each of
5 the Petitions will be decided upon the documentary
6 record by agreement of the parties. In each of the
7 matters, the Board has, in advance of this meeting,
8 been provided with all pleadings and documents filed
9 of record.

10 The first matter before the Board is
11 that of Holdings Acquisition Company, LP and Rivers
12 Pittsburgh Borrower, L.P.'s Petition for Approval of a
13 Financial Transaction.

14 Rivers Borrower is the 100 percent
15 owner of Rivers Casino, and through it, provides
16 financing. The matter was originally noticed for an
17 Evidentiary Hearing due to a disagreement over
18 conditions to be placed on the refinancing approval.
19 The matter has been resolved between the parties and
20 is now being brought to you based upon the documentary
21 record.

22 The Petitioners are seeking to
23 refinance the Rivers Casino debt, stating the current
24 financial market favorability and the reduction of
25 interest rates and debt payments will be to the

1 benefit of the casino.

2 The Office of Enforcement Counsel
3 (OEC) has no objection to the party's request.
4 However, OEC requests that the Board approval be
5 subject to several conditions which the parties now
6 agree to. The matter is now ready for the Board's
7 consideration.

8 CHAIRMAN: Question -.

9 ATTORNEY SHERMAN: I'm sorry, in
10 addition, both OEC and Rivers have requested certain
11 business privileged information be maintained as
12 confidential, and that would be appropriate to also
13 consider.

14 CHAIRMAN: Thank you. Any questions
15 or comments from the Board? Hearing none, is there a
16 motion?

17 MR. LOGAN: Mr. Chairman, I move that
18 the Board grant Holdings Acquisition Company, LP and
19 Rivers Pittsburgh Borrower, L.P.'s Petition for
20 Approval of a Financial Transaction, as described by
21 the OCC.

22 MR. MUSTIO: Second.

23 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

24 AYES RESPOND

25 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's

1 adopted.

2 ATTORNEY SHERMAN: The second Petition
3 before the Board is Salvatore Leggio's Petition
4 Requesting Removal from the Board's Involuntary
5 Exclusion List.

6 On October 8th, 2014, the Board placed
7 Mr. Leggio on the Involuntary Exclusion List after it
8 was shown that in November of 2013, while gaming at
9 Mohegan Sun and Pocono Downs, he past-posted wagers on
10 at least two occasions, winning money to which he was
11 not entitled.

12 He was charged with theft-related
13 offenses which were later withdrawn and he pled guilty
14 to a disorderly conduct count. Mr. Leggio has made
15 full restitution to Mohegan.

16 Now, over four-and-a-half years later,
17 Mr. Leggio is petitioning for removal from the list,
18 and the OEC has no objection. The matter is now ready
19 for your consideration.

20 CHAIRMAN: Questions or comments from
21 the Board? Is there a motion?

22 MR. SANTONI: Mr. Chairman, I move
23 that the Board grant Sal Leggio's Petition for Removal
24 from the PGCB Involuntary Exclusion List effective
25 October 8th, 2019.

1 MR. KERNODLE: Second.

2 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

3 AYES RESPOND

4 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's
5 adopted.

6 ATTORNEY SHERMAN: The final Petition
7 before the Board today pertains to the OEC's request
8 to place Denay Young on the Involuntary Exclusion
9 List.

10 I'm sorry, it's request to revoke
11 Denay Young's Non-Gaming Employee Registration. The
12 facts in the matter, that on March 21st and March
13 22nd, 2019, Denay Young, while employed as a Bartender
14 at Harrah's Philadelphia, stole approximately \$107
15 belonging to the casino.

16 Specifically, she took cash from
17 patrons in exchange from patrons' drinks, gave them
18 change from the register, then placed the cash she
19 received from the patron into her tip bag. As a
20 result of the alleged conduct, Ms. Young was
21 terminated from her employment with Harrah's and
22 charged criminally. After summary trial, however, on
23 that criminal charge, she was found not guilty.

24 In May of 2019 the OEC filed a
25 Complaint to revoke her Non-Gaming Registration. Two

1 days after her summary trial, however, she signed a
2 waiver of the right to hearing, allowing the Board to
3 decide the matter based upon the documents filed of
4 record. That matter is now appropriate for the
5 Board's consideration.

6 CHAIRMAN: Questions or comments from
7 the Board? Hearing none, is there a motion?

8 MR. KERNODLE: Mr. Chairman, I move
9 that the Board deny the OEC's Petition to revoke the
10 Non-Gaming Employee Registration of Denay Young, as
11 described by the OCC.

12 MR. LOGAN: Second.

13 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

14 AYES RESPOND

15 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's
16 adopted.

17 ATTORNEY SHERMAN: Okay.

18 Next, presenting Withdrawals and
19 Reports and Recommendations is Deputy Chief Counsel
20 Steve Cook.

21 ATTORNEY COOK: Good morning. The
22 Board has received several unopposed Petitions to
23 withdraw the applications and credentials of the
24 following individuals and entities; William
25 Cunningham; Tic Toc Food Mart, Inc.; DRT C-Store,

1 Inc.; Thomas Waters and AGL Nevada Corporation.

2 The OEC has no objection to any of
3 these Withdrawals or Surrenders, and as a result if
4 the Board grants them, they'd be doing so without
5 prejudice to each of these parties.

6 CHAIRMAN: Questions or comments from
7 the Board? Hearing none, may I have a motion?

8 MR. LOGAN: Mr. Chairman, I move that
9 the Board issue orders to approve the Withdrawals and
10 Surrenders, as described by the OCC.

11 MR. MUSTIO: Second.

12 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

13 AYES RESPOND

14 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's
15 adopted.

16 ATTORNEY COOK: Next before the Board
17 for consideration are five Reports and Recommendations
18 received from the Office of Hearings and Appeals
19 (OHA). These Reports and Recommendations, along with
20 the complete evidentiary record, have been provided to
21 the Board in advance of today's meeting.

22 Additionally, in each case, the party
23 that is subject to the Report and Recommendation has
24 been notified that the matter would be coming before
25 the Board today and that they had the opportunity to

1 briefly address the Board. If any of these persons
2 are present, I'd ask them to come forward when their
3 matter is called.

4 The first Report and Recommendation
5 pertains to Tiffany Bradley. On February 26, 2018,
6 the OEC filed a Petition requesting that Ms. Bradley
7 be placed on the Board's Involuntary Exclusion List,
8 as in December of 2017 she left her daughters, aged 8
9 and 12, unattended in their car for approximately 45
10 minutes while she gamed at the Lady Luck Casino at
11 Nemacolin.

12 A patron noticed the children alone in
13 the car and notified Security. When Ms. Bradley was
14 confronted by State Police and Security, she stated
15 that she had stopped by the casino to pick something
16 up and that she did not game. Video evidence,
17 however, showed that she did, in fact, play games,
18 casino games, while in the casino for approximately 38
19 minutes.

20 No criminal charges, however, were
21 filed against Ms. Bradley. Ms. Bradley requested a
22 hearing. After several continuances the hearing was
23 held on March 26, 2019. She failed to attend that
24 hearing, and as a result the only evidence put into
25 the record was that presented by OEC. Hearing that

1 evidence, the Hearing Officer recommended that Ms.
2 Bradley be placed on the Board's Involuntary Exclusion
3 List, and that's the recommendation before the Board.

4 CHAIRMAN: Questions or comments from
5 the Board? Hearing none, may I have a motion?

6 MR. MUSTIO: Mr. Chairman, I move that
7 the Board adopt the Report and Recommendation issued
8 by the OHA, as described by the OCC.

9 MS. REITZEL: Second.

10 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

11 AYES RESPOND

12 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's
13 adopted.

14 ATTORNEY COOK: Javier Leonor
15 Isidoro's Report and Recommendation is next before the
16 Board today. On February 8th, 2019, the OEC filed a
17 Petition to place Mr. Isidoro on the Exclusion List,
18 alleging that in April of 2018, while gaming at Sands,
19 he dropped several bags of cocaine on the Gaming
20 Floor.

21 A hearing in this matter was held on
22 April 11th, 2019. The OEC attended, presenting
23 documentary and testimonial evidence. Mr. Isidoro
24 also attended this hearing and testified on his own
25 behalf.

1 The testimony and evidence presented
2 at the hearing showed that Mr. Isidoro admitted to
3 police that the bags that were found on the casino
4 floor were his and he pled guilty to possession of a
5 controlled substance.

6 He testified, however, that the
7 evidence did not support the allegation that the
8 substance was, in fact, cocaine. Additionally, Mr.
9 Isidoro testified that he is a business owner who
10 likes to bring customers to the casino, and as a
11 result did not want to be barred from doing that. He
12 also presented the testimony of a friend who presented
13 character witness evidence.

14 Following the hearing, the Report and
15 Recommendation issued by the Hearing Officer
16 recommended that Mr. Isidoro, in fact, be placed on
17 the Board's Exclusion List.

18 CHAIRMAN: Questions or comments from
19 the Board? Hearing none, may I have a motion?

20 MS. REITZEL: Mr. Chairman, I move
21 that the Board adopt the Report and Recommendation
22 issued by the OHA, as described by the OCC.

23 MR. SANTONI: Second.

24 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

25 AYES RESPOND

1 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's
2 adopted.

3 ATTORNEY COOK: The next Report and
4 Recommendation before the Board pertains to P.W.'s
5 request to recover winnings confiscated from her by
6 casino personnel at Parx Casino.

7 By way of background, on December 7th,
8 2017, P.W. placed herself on the Board's
9 Self-Exclusion List for a period of one year. On
10 December 14th, 2018, this individual filed a request
11 to be removed from the Self-Exclusion List, signing
12 all the necessary paperwork for removal, including an
13 acknowledgement that she not enter a Pennsylvania
14 Licensed Gaming Facility for 15 business days after
15 requesting removal.

16 Just five days after submitting the
17 request and being removed from the list, so within
18 that 15-day period, P.W., in fact, entered Parx
19 Casino, gamed, and won a jackpot worth \$1,500.
20 Subsequently, it was discovered that she was still
21 within this 15-day period and Parx Casino confiscated
22 the \$1,500 from P.W. as - treating it as if she had
23 violated the Self-Exclusion List.

24 A hearing in this matter was held on
25 March 21st, 2019. The OEC attended the hearing,

1 presented evidence - or documentary and testimonial
2 evidence. P.W. also appeared and testified on her own
3 behalf, acknowledging that she did game within the
4 15-day period of time. However, that it was after,
5 she, in fact, removed herself from the Exclusion List.

6 A hearing on all the - after hearing
7 all of the evidence presented, the Report and
8 Recommendation issued, recommends that P.W.'s Petition
9 be granted, and in fact, the \$1,500 in question be
10 returned to her.

11 The Hearing Officer ultimately
12 concludes that while there is a 15-day period that
13 people are asked to not go to a casino, that is really
14 simply so the process of removing them from the list
15 can trickle throughout the system, but in fact, her
16 removal from the list had occurred four days earlier
17 and the Board, as a result, didn't have any
18 jurisdiction to maintain her money since she was no
19 longer self-excluded.

20 So, ultimately, the recommendation of
21 the Hearing Officer is that her monies be returned.

22 CHAIRMAN: Thank you.

23 Questions or comments from the Board?
24 Hearing none, may I have a motion?

25 MR. SANTONI: Mr. Chairman, I move

1 that the Board adopt the Report and Recommendation
2 issued by the OHA, as described by the OCC.

3 MR. KERNODLE: Second.

4 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

5 AYES RESPOND

6 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's
7 adopted.

8 ATTORNEY COOK: The next matter to be
9 heard by the Board is the Report and Recommendation
10 regarding Matthew Oropeza. Mr. Oropeza was issued a
11 Temporary Gaming Level 2 Employee Occupation Permit in
12 May of 2017 and was employed as a Dual Rate Supervisor
13 of Casino Games at Parx Casino.

14 On January 22nd, 2019 the OEC filed a
15 Request for an Emergency Suspension of Mr. Oropeza's
16 G2 Permit after receiving notice that he had been
17 charged with involuntary manslaughter, terroristic
18 threats, simple assault and recklessly endangering
19 another person.

20 Specifically, it is alleged that while
21 walking his dogs at a dog park he and another man
22 engaged in a verbal altercation. Mr. Oropeza punched
23 the man, causing him to fall, hit his head and
24 ultimately passed away.

25 As a result of these charges, the

1 Board's Executive Director issued the Emergency
2 Suspension, as requested by OEC.

3 A hearing was held in this matter on
4 March 5th, 2019. Mr. Oropeza and the OEC attended and
5 put into - evidence into the record. Actually that
6 was the first hearing Mr. Oropeza did not attend. OEC
7 put evidence into the record. Subsequent to that Mr.
8 Oropeza contacted Hearings and Appeals, requested the
9 record be open, so that he could put evidence in.
10 That occurred in April of 2019.

11 Mr. Oropeza appeared. Essentially,
12 his testimony was that he admitted that he and the
13 victim engaged in an argument and a fight, but he -
14 his testimony was that the victim actually approached
15 him and was the aggressor. He was simply acting in
16 self defense, and as a result he didn't think the
17 Emergency Suspension was warranted.

18 The evidence presented by Enforcement
19 Counsel, however, showed that there were three prior
20 instances in which Mr. Oropeza acted in an aggressive
21 manner, including an incident four days prior, which
22 was extremely similar to the one at issue, which
23 resulted in a man's death, and at least, two other
24 incidents from years earlier, where he was charged
25 with engaging in fighting.

1 As a result, the Hearing Officer
2 recommends that Mr. Oropeza's suspension remain in
3 effect.

4 CHAIRMAN: Questions or comments from
5 the Board? Hearing none, may I have a motion?

6 MR. KERNODLE: Mr. Chairman, I move
7 that the Board adopts the Report and Recommendation
8 issued by the OHA regarding the suspension of Matthew
9 Oropeza's Gaming Level 2 Employee Occupation Permit,
10 as described by the OCC.

11 MR. LOGAN: Second.

12 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

13 AYES RESPOND

14 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's
15 adopted.

16 ATTORNEY COOK: The final Report and
17 Recommendation before the Board pertains to Roman
18 Wierzbicki's request to withdraw his G2 Employee
19 Permit Renewal Application. In February of 2018 Mr.
20 Wierzbicki submitted an application to renew his G2
21 Permit to continue working as a Dual Rate Floor
22 Supervisor and Poker shift manager at Presque Isle
23 Downs and Casino.

24 On November 7th, 2018 Mr. Wierzbicki
25 was terminated from his employment with Presque Isle

1 after it was determined that while dealing Poker
2 tournaments on three separate occasions during October
3 of 2018 he would collect buy-in money from patrons,
4 place some of that money on his person and not deliver
5 all of the buy-in money to the cage, ultimately
6 keeping \$275 himself.

7 He was confronted about this conduct,
8 admitted to it, and in fact, returned \$70 of this
9 money immediately. He was not criminally charged, but
10 as I indicated, he was terminated.

11 Following his termination and the
12 discovery of these actions, he filed a request to
13 withdraw his renewal application without prejudice.
14 The OEC objected to that request under the
15 circumstances and ask that it be with prejudice.

16 This led to a hearing that was held on
17 April 24th. Mr. Wierzbicki did not attend the
18 hearing, and it was held in his absence, and
19 ultimately, based on the evidence presented at that
20 hearing, the Hearing Officer recommends that the
21 withdrawal be with prejudice.

22 CHAIRMAN: Questions or comments from
23 the Board? Hearing none, may I have a motion?

24 MR. LOGAN: Mr. Chairman, I move that
25 the Board adopt the Report and Recommendation issued

1 by the OHA regarding Roman Wierzbicki's G2 Occupation
2 Permit Renewal Application, as described by the OCC.

3 MR. MUSTIO: Second.

4 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

5 AYES RESPOND

6 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's
7 adopted.

8 ATTORNEY SHERMAN: And that concludes
9 the matters of the OCC.

10 CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Doug.

11 Good morning, Sue. It's high noon, so
12 good afternoon.

13 MS. HENSEL: Thank you, Chairman
14 Barasch and members of the Board. The Stadium License
15 Renewal is tabled, and so before the Board today will
16 be one Fantasy Contest Operator, and two VGT
17 Establishments, as well as conditional licensure for a
18 Sports Wagering Operator and Interactive Gaming
19 Operator, a Table Game Manufacturer, a Table Game
20 Manufacturer Designee and a VGT Establishment.

21 In addition, there will be 975
22 Principals, Key employees, Gaming and Non-Gaming
23 employees. Finally, there will be the consideration
24 of nine Registered Gaming Service Provider Applicants.

25 The first matter for your

1 consideration is the Fantasy Contest Operator License
2 for FanDuel PA, LLC. FanDuel offers daily fantasy
3 contests throughout the U.S. and internationally.
4 FanDuel PA, LLC is incorporated in Pennsylvania with
5 its principal place of business in New York City. The
6 BIE has completed its investigation, and the Bureau of
7 Licensing has provided you with a Background
8 Investigation and Suitability Report.

9 I have provided you with an Order and
10 ask that the Board consider the Order to approve the
11 Fantasy Contest License for FanDuel PA, LLC.

12 ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel
13 has no objection.

14 CHAIRMAN: Questions or comments from
15 the Board? Hearing none, may I have a motion?

16 MS. REITZEL: Mr. Chairman, I move
17 that the Board grant FanDuel PA, LLC's Fantasy Contest
18 Operator License, as described by the Bureau of
19 Licensing

20 MR. SANTONI: Second.

21 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

22 AYES RESPOND

23 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's
24 adopted.

25 MS. HENSEL: Next, we have

1 consideration of VGT Establishment Licenses for CHR
2 Corp., doing business as Rutter's Store 15 and
3 Rutter's Store 79. VGT establishments are truck
4 stops, seeking to place VGTs in their businesses.

5 CHR Corp., doing business as Rutter's
6 Stores 15 and 79, were both previously conditionally
7 licensed. The BIE has now completed the
8 investigations, including evaluations that the
9 applicants meet the VGT establishment eligibility
10 criteria.

11 The Bureau of Licensing has provided
12 you with Background Investigation and Suitability
13 Reports. Once, fully licensed, an establishment can
14 continue forward toward completing the steps necessary
15 to commence VGT gaming.

16 I have provided you with Draft Orders
17 and ask that you consider first, the order to license
18 CHR Corporation, doing business as Rutter's Store 15,
19 which is located at 2125 Susquehanna Trail, Manchester
20 Township, York County.

21 ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel
22 has no objection.

23 CHAIRMAN: Questions or comments from
24 the Board? Hearing none, may I have a motion?

25 MR. SANTONI: Mr. Chairman, I move

1 that the Board grant the Video Gaming Terminal
2 Establishment License for CHR Corp., Rutter's Store
3 Number 15, as described by the Bureau of Licensing.

4 MR. KERNODLE: Second.

5 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

6 AYES RESPOND

7 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's
8 adopted.

9 MS. HENSEL: Next is CHR Corp. doing
10 business as Rutter's Store 79, which is located at 234
11 Kuhn Lane, Duncansville, Blair County.

12 ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel
13 has no objection.

14 CHAIRMAN: Questions or comments from
15 the Board? Hearing none, may I have a motion?

16 MR. KERNODLE: Mr. Chairman, I move
17 that the Board grants the Video Game Terminal
18 Establishment License for CHR Corp., Rutter's Store
19 #79, described by the Bureau of Licensing.

20 MR. LOGAN: Second.

21 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

22 AYES RESPOND

23 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's
24 adopted.

25 MS. HENSEL: Also for your

1 consideration are Conditional Sports Wagering Operator
2 License and a Conditional Interactive Gaming Operator
3 License for Unibet Interactive, Inc. Unibet
4 Interactive, Inc. is a New York City based company
5 that proposes to operate sports wagering and
6 interactive gaming on behalf of at least one Sports
7 Wagering and one Interactive Gaming Certificate
8 Holder.

9 The Board may issue the Conditional
10 Operator Licenses, provided the applicant has
11 submitted a completed application, agrees to pay the
12 licensing fees prior to license issuance and the BIE
13 does not object to the licenses. The applicant
14 satisfies these criteria.

15 I ask that the Board consider the
16 Orders to conditionally license Unibet, Interactive,
17 Inc. beginning first with a Conditional Sports
18 Wagering Operator License.

19 ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel
20 has no objection.

21 CHAIRMAN: Questions or comments from
22 the Board? Hearing none, may I have a motion?

23 MR. LOGAN: Mr. Chairman, I move that
24 the Board grant the Conditional Sports Wagering
25 Operator License for Unibet Interactive, Inc., as

1 described by the Bureau of Licensing.

2 MR. MUSTIO: Second.

3 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

4 AYES RESPOND

5 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's
6 adopted.

7 MS. HENSEL: Next is a Conditional
8 Interactive Gaming License for Unibet Interactive,
9 Inc.

10 ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel
11 has no objection.

12 CHAIRMAN: Questions or comments from
13 the Board? Hearing none, may I have motion?

14 MR. MUSTIO: Mr. Chairman, I move that
15 the Board grant the Conditional Interactive Gaming
16 Operator License for Unibet Interactive, Inc., as
17 described by the Bureau of Licensing.

18 MS. REITZEL: Second.

19 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

20 AYES RESPOND

21 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's
22 adopted.

23 MS. HENSEL: In addition, there is a
24 Conditional Table Game Manufacturer License for Angel
25 Playing Cards Manufacturing Kyoto Company, Limited.

1 Angel Playing Cards Manufacturing Kyoto Company,
2 Limited is a distributor and manufacturer of playing
3 cards and electronic shoes. The company is
4 headquartered in Japan.

5 Under the Board's Regulations, the
6 Board may issue a Conditional Table Game Manufacturer
7 License provided the applicant submits a completed
8 application, is licensed in good standing in a gaming
9 jurisdictions whose manufactured standards are
10 recognized by the PGCB, submits a written statement
11 from a licensee, indicating the licensee may do
12 business with the company, passes a preliminary
13 criminal history investigation and pays the licensing
14 fee prior to license issuance.

15 The Bureau of Licensing has provided
16 you with a preliminary Background Investigation and
17 Suitability Report for this company, which indicates
18 that these criteria, have been satisfied.

19 Should the Board approve Angel Playing
20 Cards Manufacturing Kyoto Company, Limited for a
21 conditional license, the company has asked that the
22 Board allow it to pay a reduced license fee of \$15,000
23 for an initial five-year Manufacturer License.

24 The Bureau of Licensing does not
25 object to the reduced licensing fee. I ask that the

1 Board consider the conditional licensure of this
2 company, along with the reduced licensing fee.

3 ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel
4 has no objection.

5 CHAIRMAN: Questions or comments from
6 the Board. Hearing none, may I have a motion?

7 MS. REITZEL: Mr. Chairman, I move
8 that the Board grant the Conditional Table Games
9 Manufacturer License for Angel Playing Cards
10 Manufacturing Kyoto Company, LTD., as described by the
11 Bureau of Licensing.

12 MR. SANTONI: Second.

13 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

14 AYES RESPOND

15 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's
16 adopted.

17 MS. HENSEL: There was also a
18 Conditional Table Game Manufacturer Designee License
19 for Angel Playing Cards USA, Inc., which is
20 headquartered in Las Vegas, Nevada. Angel Playing
21 Cards USA, Inc. has been designated by Angel Playing
22 Cards Kyoto to sell and service Kyoto's products.

23 Pursuant to the Board's regulations,
24 the Board may issue a Conditional Table Game
25 Manufacturer Designee License provided the applicant

1 meets the Conditional Licensure criteria just outlined
2 for the other Angel entity.

3 The Bureau of Licensing has provided
4 you with a preliminary background - with a Background
5 Investigation and Suitability Report for this company,
6 which indicates that the criteria have been satisfied.

7 I have provided you with a Draft Order
8 and ask that the Board consider the Order to approve
9 the Conditional Table Game Manufacturer Designee
10 License.

11 ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel
12 has no objection.

13 CHAIRMAN: Questions or comments from
14 the Board? Hearing none, may I have a motion?

15 MR. SANTONI: Mr. Chairman, I move
16 that the Board grant the Conditional Table Games
17 Manufacturer Designee License for Angel Playing Cards
18 USA, Inc. as described by the Bureau of Licensing.

19 MR. KERNODLE: Second.

20 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

21 AYES RESPOND

22 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's
23 adopted.

24 MS. HENSEL: Also for your
25 consideration is a Conditional VGT Establishment

1 License for Last Minit Mart, Inc., doing business as
2 Last Minit Mart. It is located at 1641 Perry Highway,
3 Portersville, Butler County.

4 The Board may conditionally license an
5 establishment provided the applicant has never been
6 convicted of a felony, is current on State taxes, has
7 submitted a completed application and has not been
8 convicted of a gambling law violation.

9 A preliminary review of the applicant
10 indicates it meets these criteria. However, final
11 approval will be based on the applicant meeting all of
12 the eligibility criteria provided in the Statute. A
13 final eligibility determination will follow an
14 investigation and site inspections by BIE.

15 I ask that the Board consider a motion
16 to approve the Conditional VGT Establishment License.

17 ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel
18 has no objection.

19 CHAIRMAN: Questions or comments from
20 the Board? Hearing none, may I have a motion?

21 MR. LOGAN: Mr. Chairman, I move that
22 the Board grant the Conditional Video Gaming Terminal
23 Establishment License for Last Minit Mart, Inc. as
24 described by the Bureau of Licensing.

25 MR. MUSTIO: Second.

1 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

2 AYES RESPOND

3 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's
4 adopted.

5 MS. HENSEL: Also for your
6 consideration are Principal and Key Employee Licenses.
7 Prior to this meeting, the Bureau of Licensing
8 provided you with a Proposed Order for three
9 Principals and One Key Employee. I ask that the Board
10 consider the Order approving these licenses.

11 ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel
12 has no objection.

13 CHAIRMAN: Questions or comments from
14 the Board. Hearing none, may I have a motion?

15 MR. MUSTIO: Mr. Chairman, I move that
16 the Board grant the Principal and Key Employee
17 Licenses, as described by the Bureau of Licensing.

18 MS. REITZEL: Second.

19 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

20 AYES RESPOND

21 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's
22 adopted.

23 MS. HENSEL: There were also Temporary
24 Licenses for your consideration. Prior to this
25 meeting, the Bureau of Licensing provided you with an

1 Order regarding the issuance of Temporary Licenses for
2 13 Principals and 18 Key Employees. I ask that the
3 Board consider the Order approving these licenses.

4 ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel
5 has no objection.

6 CHAIRMAN: Questions or comments from
7 the Board? May I have a motion?

8 MS. REITZEL: Mr. Chairman, I move
9 that the Board grant the Temporary Principal and Key
10 Employee credentials, as described by the Bureau of
11 Licensing.

12 MR. SANTONI: Second.

13 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

14 AYES RESPOND

15 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's
16 adopted.

17 MS. HENSEL: Additionally, there are
18 Gaming Permits and Non-Gaming Registrations. Prior to
19 this meeting, the Bureau of Licensing provided you
20 with a list of 675 individuals to whom the Bureau has
21 granted temporary or full Occupation Permits and 253
22 individuals to whom the Bureau has granted
23 registrations, under the authority delegated to the
24 Bureau of Licensing.

25 I ask that the Board consider a motion

1 approving the Order.

2 ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel
3 has no objection.

4 CHAIRMAN: Questions or comments from
5 the Board? May I have a motion?

6 MR. SANTONI: Mr. Chairman, I move
7 that the Board grant the Gaming Employee Occupation
8 Permits and Non-Gaming Employee Registrations, as
9 described by the Bureau of Licensing.

10 MR. KERNODLE: Second.

11 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

12 AYES RESPOND

13 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's
14 adopted.

15 MS. HENSEL: There are also
16 recommendations of denial for five Gaming Employee
17 Applicants and one Non-Gaming Employee Applicant. The
18 applicants were notified that they were being
19 recommended for denial and failed to request hearings
20 within the specified time frames.

21 The Bureau of Licensing has provided
22 you with Orders addressing each of the applicants who
23 the OEC has recommended for denial. I ask that the
24 Board consider the motions approving the denial.

25 ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel

1 continues to request denial in each instance.

2 CHAIRMAN: Questions or comments from
3 the Board? Hearing none, may I have motion?

4 MR. KERNODLE: Mr. Chairman, I move
5 that the Board deny the Applicants for Gaming Employee
6 Permits and Non-Gaming Employee Registration, as
7 described by the Bureau of Licensing.

8 MR. LOGAN: Second.

9 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

10 AYES RESPOND

11 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's
12 adopted.

13 MS. HENSEL: In addition for your
14 consideration are Withdrawal requests. In each case,
15 the license permit or registration is no longer
16 required. For today's meeting, I've provided with a
17 list of three Key and eleven Gaming Employees.

18 I ask that the Board consider the
19 Orders approving the list of Withdrawals.

20 ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel
21 has no objection.

22 CHAIRMAN: Questions or comments from
23 the Board? May I have a motion?

24 MR. LOGAN: Mr. Chairman, I move that
25 the Board grant the withdrawal of the Key and Gaming

1 Employee Applications, as described by the Bureau of
2 Licensing.

3 MR. MUSTIO: Second.

4 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

5 AYES RESPOND

6 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's
7 adopted.

8 MS. HENSEL: Finally, for your
9 consideration are Gaming Service Provider
10 Registrations. The Bureau of Licensing provided you
11 with an Order and an attached list of nine registered
12 Gaming Service Provider applicants.

13 I ask that the Board consider the
14 order registering these Gaming Service Providers.

15 ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel
16 has no objection.

17 CHAIRMAN: Questions or comments from
18 the Board? May I have a motion?

19 MR. MUSTIO: Mr. Chairman, I move that
20 the Board approve the applications for Gaming Service
21 Provider Registration as described by the Bureau of
22 Licensing.

23 MS. REITZEL: Second.

24 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

25 AYES RESPOND

1 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's
2 adopted.

3 MS. HENSEL: That concludes the Bureau
4 of Licensing's matters.

5 CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Sue.

6 OEC?

7 ATTORNEY PITRE: The OEC will present
8 11 matters today for the Board's consideration in
9 which we'll request the Board's approval of three
10 suspensions, three revocations and five involuntary
11 exclusions.

12 The next six matters on the Agenda
13 consist of enforcement actions in which the OEC filed
14 Complaints seeking the revocation or suspension of
15 Employee Occupation Permits or Employee Registrations
16 issued by the Board. Each Complaint has been filed
17 with the Board's OHA and properly served upon the
18 person named in each complaint.

19 The person named in each Complaint
20 failed to respond within 30 days as required by Board
21 regulation. As a result, the OEC filed a Request for
22 Default Judgment and properly served the same upon
23 each named person. Therefore, the facts in each
24 complaint are deemed admitted. All filed documents
25 have been provided to the Board, and the matters are

1 presently ripe for the Board's consideration.

2 In each instance we will provide a
3 brief summary of the facts and request the appropriate
4 Board action.

5 ATTORNEY MONAGHAN: Good afternoon.
6 Thomas Monaghan, M-O-N-A-G-H-A-N, with the OEC. The
7 next matter on the Agenda for the Board's
8 consideration is the suspension of the Non-Gaming
9 Employee Registration issued to Carly Ecimovic.

10 In November of 2018 Ms. Ecimovic was
11 arrested and charged with a felony after she was found
12 to be in possession of a deliverable amount of heroin.
13 The charges are currently pending.

14 At this time OEC requests that the
15 Board suspend the Non-Gaming Employee Registration
16 issued to Carly Ecimovic.

17 CHAIRMAN: Questions or comments from
18 the Board? Hearing none, may I have a motion?

19 MS. REITZEL: Mr. Chairman, I move
20 that the Board approve the suspension of Carly
21 Ecimovic's Non-Gaming Employee Registration, as
22 requested by the OEC.

23 MR. SANTONI: Second.

24 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

25 AYES RESPOND

1 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's
2 adopted.

3 ATTORNEY MONAGHAN: The next matter on
4 the Agenda for the Board's consideration is the
5 suspension of the Non-Gaming Employee Registration
6 issued to Lawrence Rosenberg.

7 In November of 2018 Mr. Rosenberg was
8 arrested and charged for attempting to flee police
9 after his involvement in a DUI hit-and-run accident.

10 At this time OEC requests that the
11 Board suspend the Non-Gaming Employee Registration
12 issued to Lawrence Rosenberg.

13 CHAIRMAN: Questions or comments from
14 the Board? Hearing none, may I have a motion?

15 MR. SANTONI: Mr. Chairman, I move
16 that the Board approve the suspension of Lawrence
17 Rosenberg's Non-Gaming Employee Registration, as
18 requested by the OEC.

19 MR. KERNODLE: Second.

20 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

21 AYES RESPOND

22 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion is
23 adopted.

24 ATTORNEY MONAGHAN: The next matter on
25 the Agenda for the Board's consideration is the

1 suspension of the Gaming Employee Occupation Permit
2 issued to Pempa Tamang. In December of 2018, Mr.
3 Tamang, who, while employed as a Table Games Dealer by
4 Presque Isle was discovered gaming at slot machines on
5 the casino floor at Presque Isle. Mr. Tamang was
6 terminated for his actions.

7 At this time OEC requests that the
8 Board suspend the Gaming Employee Occupation Permit
9 issued to Pempa Tamang.

10 CHAIRMAN: Questions or comments from
11 the Board? Hearing none, may I have a motion?

12 MR. KERNODLE: Mr. Chairman, I move
13 that the Board approve the suspension of Pempa
14 Tamang's Gaming Employee Occupation Permit for a
15 period of 30 days.

16 MR. LOGAN: Second.

17 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

18 AYES RESPOND

19 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's
20 adopted.

21 ATTORNEY MANIFESTO: Good afternoon.
22 Beth Manifesto, M-A-N-I-F-E-S-T-O, on behalf of the
23 OEC for the next two items.

24 The next matter on the Agenda is the
25 consideration for the revocation of Non-Gaming

1 Employee Registration issued to Hannah Ream, R-E-A-M,
2 for stealing a cellular phone and gift card belonging
3 to a patron valued at approximately \$325 during the
4 course of her employment as an EVS worker.

5 Ms. Ream was terminated from her
6 employment at Rivers Casino and entered a guilty plea
7 to one count of misdemeanor three, theft of lost
8 property.

9 At this time the OEC requests that the
10 Board revoke the Non-Gaming Employee Registration
11 issued to Ms. Ream?

12 CHAIRMAN: Questions or comments from
13 the Board? Hearing none, may I have a motion?

14 MR. LOGAN: Mr. Chairman, I move that
15 the Board approve the revocation of Hannah Ream's
16 Non-Gaming Employee Registration, as requested by the
17 OEC.

18 MR. MUSTIO: Second.

19 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

20 AYES RESPOND

21 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's
22 adopted.

23 ATTORNEY MANIFESTO: The next matter
24 on the Agenda for the Board's consideration is the
25 revocation of the Gaming Employee Permit issued to

1 Arthur Sider, S-I-D-E-R, Jr. for stealing,
2 approximately, \$2,900 from Rivers Casino during the
3 course of his employment as a Table Games Dealer. Mr.
4 Sider was terminated from his employment at Rivers
5 Casino.

6 At this time the OEC requests the
7 Board revoke the Gaming Employee Permit that had been
8 issued to Mr. Sider.

9 CHAIRMAN: Questions or comments from
10 the Board? Hearing none, may I have a motion?

11 MR. MUSTIO: Mr. Chairman, I move that
12 the Board approve the revocation of Arthur Sider,
13 Jr.'s Gaming Employee Occupation Permit, as requested
14 by the OEC.

15 MS. REITZEL: Second.

16 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

17 AYES RESPOND

18 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's
19 adopted.

20 ATTORNEY MILLER: Good afternoon,
21 Chairman Barasch, members of the Board. Dustin
22 Miller, on behalf of the OEC.

23 The next matter today is a request for
24 revocation involving Steven Paul. Mr. Paul was
25 employed as a Supervisor of casino games at Harrah's

1 Philadelphia Racetrack and Casino and permitted as a
2 Gaming Level 2 employee.

3 Mr. Paul falsified player ratings for
4 patrons, so the patron could receive \$15,460 worth of
5 complimentary benefits that he was not entitled to in
6 exchange for \$800 worth of Amazon gift cards from the
7 patron.

8 Mr. Paul was criminally charged and
9 pled guilty to theft of services in this matter. Mr.
10 Paul is not currently employed in Pennsylvania's
11 gaming industry.

12 Based on the foregoing, the OEC asks
13 the Board to consider the revocation of Steven Paul's
14 Gaming Level 2 Permit.

15 CHAIRMAN: Questions or comments from
16 the Board? Hearing none, may I have a motion?

17 MS. REITZEL: Mr. Chairman, I move
18 that the Board approve the revocation of Steven Paul's
19 G2 Employee Occupation Permit, as requested by the
20 OEC.

21 MR. SANTONI: Second.

22 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

23 AYES RESPOND

24 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's
25 adopted.

1 ATTORNEY PITRE: The remaining matters
2 on the Agenda consist of enforcement actions in which
3 the OEC filed Petitions seeking the involuntary
4 exclusion of individuals whose presence in a licensed
5 facility are inimical to the interest of the
6 Commonwealth and/or licensed gaming therein.

7 In each instance the Petition for
8 Exclusion has been filed with the Board's OHA and
9 properly served upon the individual named in the
10 Petition. The individual named in the Petition failed
11 to respond within 30 days, as required by Board
12 Regulation. As a result, the OEC filed a Request for
13 Default Judgment in each instance, and properly served
14 the same upon each named individual.

15 Therefore, all facts in each petition
16 are deemed admitted. All filed documents have been
17 provided to the Board and the matters are presently
18 ripe for the Board's consideration. In each instance,
19 if the Board orders a proposed exclusion, each
20 individual's photo, personal identifiers and a summary
21 of the inimical conduct will be placed on the Board's
22 public website.

23 ATTORNEY MILLER: Dustin Miller, once
24 again, on behalf of the OEC. Next on the Agenda for
25 the Board's consideration is a request to place

1 Lescarr Blizzard on the Exclusion List.

2 Mr. Blizzard, while a patron of
3 Harrah's Philadelphia, reached inside the main cage
4 and took approximately \$60 in cash from a tip jar that
5 was inside the main cage. Mr. Blizzard then pulled a
6 ski mask over his face and exited the casino. He was
7 later arrested by Pennsylvania State Police and
8 criminally charged. These charges remain pending at
9 this time.

10 At this time, the OEC requests the
11 placement of Lescarr Blizzard on the PGCB's Exclusion
12 List.

13 CHAIRMAN: Questions or comments from
14 the Board? Hearing none, may I have a motion?

15 MR. SANTONI: Mr. Chairman, I move
16 that the Board approve the addition of Lescarr
17 Blizzard to the PGCB Involuntary Exclusion List, as
18 described by the OEC.

19 MR. KERNODLE: Second.

20 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

21 AYES RESPOND

22 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's
23 adopted.

24 ATTORNEY MILLER: Next on the Agenda
25 for the Board's consideration is a request to place

1 Jim Nanthavong on the Exclusion List.

2 Jim Nanthavong colluded with a Dealer
3 at Harrah's Philadelphia, whereby the Dealer would
4 manipulate a Roulette game in order for Mr. Nanthavong
5 to win. Mr. Nanthavong won \$3,269 to which he was not
6 entitled.

7 He was criminally charged and pled
8 guilty to the charges. At this time the OEC requests
9 the placement of Jim Nanthavong on the PGCB's
10 Exclusion List.

11 CHAIRMAN: Questions or comments from
12 the Board? Hearing none, may I have a motion?

13 MR. KERNODLE: Mr. Chairman, I move
14 the Board approve the addition of Jim Nanthavong to
15 the PGCB Involuntary Exclusion List, described by the
16 OEC.

17 MR. LOGAN: Second.

18 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

19 AYES RESPOND

20 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's
21 adopted.

22 ATTORNEY MONAGHAN: Thomas Monaghan,
23 once again with the OEC.

24 The next matter on the Agenda for the
25 Board's consideration is a request to place Juan

1 Garcia-Vazquez on the Board's Involuntary Exclusion
2 List.

3 On February 10, 2019, Mr. Garcia-
4 Vazquez stole a wallet from another patron at The
5 Meadows Casino. Mr. Garcia-Vazquez was criminally
6 charged by the Pennsylvania State Police for his
7 actions.

8 At this time OEC requests that the
9 Board place Juan Garcia-Vazquez on the Board's
10 Involuntary Exclusion List.

11 CHAIRMAN: Questions or comments from
12 the Board? Hearing none, may I have a motion?

13 MR. LOGAN: Mr. Chairman, I move the
14 Board approve the addition of Juan Garcia-Vazquez to
15 the PGCB Involuntary Exclusion List, as described by
16 the OEC.

17 MR. MUSTIO: Second.

18 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

19 AYES RESPOND

20 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's
21 adopted.

22 ATTORNEY MANIFESTO: Beth Manifesto
23 for the final two matters on behalf of the OEC.

24 Next on the Agenda for the Board's
25 consideration is a Petition seeking the exclusion of

1 Nicole Inks, I-N-K-S. Ms. Inks left a ten-year-old
2 child alone in a vehicle in the Rivers Casino parking
3 garage on December 17th, 2018 while she engaged in
4 gaming activity for over seven-and-a-half hours.

5 During this period, Ms. Inks also
6 removed two gaming vouchers from slot machines which
7 did not belong to her. Ms. Inks was issued a lifetime
8 ban by Rivers Casino and was charged by the
9 Pennsylvania State Police with endangering the welfare
10 of children. Her case currently remains pending.

11 At this time the OEC requests the
12 Board place Ms. Inks on the Involuntary Exclusion
13 List.

14 CHAIRMAN: I may have missed it, what
15 was the age of the child that was left for
16 seven-and-a-half hours?

17 ATTORNEY MANIFESTO: Ten.

18 CHAIRMAN: Thank you.

19 Any other questions or comments? May
20 I have a motion?

21 MR. MUSTIO: Mr. Chairman, I move that
22 the Board approve the addition of Nicole Inks to the
23 PGCB Involuntary Exclusion List, as described by the
24 OEC.

25 MS. REITZEL: Second.

1 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

2 AYES RESPOND

3 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's
4 adopted.

5 ATTORNEY MANIFESTO: The last matter
6 for the Board's consideration is a Petition seeking
7 the exclusion of Khalil, K-H-A-L-I-L, Stanback.

8 Mr. Stanback caused a disturbance at
9 Rivers Casino which required the assistance of the
10 Pennsylvania State Police. A search incident to
11 arrest revealed he was carrying a concealed firearm
12 without a permit. Mr. Stanback pled guilty to
13 carrying a firearm without a license and received 18
14 months of probation with a condition of no contact
15 with Rivers Casino. Additionally, the casino issued a
16 lifetime ban to Mr. Stanback.

17 At this time the OEC requests the
18 Board place Mr. Stanback on the Involuntary Exclusion
19 List.

20 CHAIRMAN: Questions or comments from
21 the Board? Hearing none, may I have a motion?

22 MS. REITZEL: Mr. Chairman, I move
23 that the Board approve the addition of Kahlil Stanback
24 to the PGCB Involuntary Exclusion List, as described
25 by the OEC.

1 MR. SANTONI: Second.

2 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

3 AYES RESPOND

4 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's
5 adopted.

6 ATTORNEY PITRE: Thank you. That
7 concludes our business.

8 CHAIRMAN: Thank you.

9 Well, that concludes the matters that
10 are on the Agenda for today. Our next Public Meeting
11 will be held on Wednesday, August 14th at 10:00 a.m.
12 in this room.

13 May I have a motion to adjourn the
14 meeting?

15 MR. SANTONI: Mr. Chairman, I move we
16 adjourn.

17 MR. KERNODLE: Second.

18 CHAIRMAN: All in favor?

19 AYES RESPOND

20 CHAIRMAN: All opposed? The motion's
21 adopted. And we are adjourned. Thank you all for
22 your time and attendance.

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24 MEETING CONCLUDED AT 12:27 P.M.

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CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing proceedings, hearing held before Chairman David M. Barasch, was reported by me on 07/10/19 and that I, Amy N. Distefano, read this transcript, and that I attest that this transcript is a true and accurate record of the proceeding.

Dated the 7th day of August, 2019



Amy N. Distefano,
Court Reporter