

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

GAMING CONTROL BOARD

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PUBLIC MEETING

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BEFORE: MEMBERS OF THE BOARD:

DENISE J. SMYLER, CHAIR

Frank Dermody

Shawn Dillon

David S. Hickernell

Sara Manzano-Díaz (phone)

Nedia Ralston

Frances J. Regan

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS/DESIGNEES IN ATTENDANCE:

Adria Zimmerman, Ex-Officio Member,  
Department of Revenue

Jennifer Langan, Ex-Officio Member,  
Department of Treasury

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

Kevin F. O'Toole, Executive Director

Heidi Zula, Human Resources Director

Steve Cook, Chief Counsel

Chad Zimmermann, Deputy Chief Counsel

Sean M. Hannon, Director of Licensing

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John Crohe, Senior Enforcement Counsel, Juan Sanchez,

Assistant Enforcement Counsel II, Andrea Roberts,

Assistant Enforcement Counsel, Michael Roland, Senior

Enforcement Counsel, Dustin Miller, Deputy

Enforcement Counsel, Sarah E. Kolesar, Assistant

Enforcement Counsel II

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Alex Hvizda, Esquire, Regional Director of Compliance

Matthew Heiskell, Vice President and General Manager

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## P R O C E E D I N G S

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CHAIR: Good morning. I'm Denise Smyler, Chair of the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board. I would like to ask everyone at this time to please silence your cell phones and all electronic devices. With six Board Members present this morning and Commissioner Sara Manzano-Díaz participating by telephone, I'd like to call today's meeting to order.

Commissioner Manzano-Díaz, can you hear me?

MS. MANZANO-DÍAZ: Yes, I can. Good morning, Chair Smyler.

CHAIR: Excellent. Good morning to you too. I would also like to note for the record, in addition to the seven Board Members, we also have Ex-Officio Members present. Well, one is missing, okay, we still have Adria Zimmerman, representing Pat Browne, Secretary for the Department of Revenue, and Jennifer Langan representing Stacy Garrity, State Treasurer. Thank you Ex-Officios for joining us.

As the first order of business, I'd like to ask everyone to please rise and join me in a recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

(PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED)

1                    CHAIR: By way of announcements, the  
2 Board held an Executive Session yesterday, Tuesday,  
3 March 25th, to discuss personal matters and to  
4 conduct quasi-judicial deliberations relating to  
5 matters coming before the Board.

6                    I would also like to announce that the  
7 Board has scheduled two public input hearings  
8 relative to the License Renewal Applications for Penn  
9 National Morgantown and Parx Casino. Penn National  
10 Morgantown's hearing will be held on Wednesday, April  
11 2nd, beginning at 1:30 p.m. at the Caernarvon  
12 Township Building located at 3307 Main Street,  
13 Morgantown, Pennsylvania. Parx Casino's hearing will  
14 be held on Thursday, April 3rd, beginning at 10:30  
15 a.m. at the Bensalem Municipal Township Building  
16 located at 2400 Byberry Road, Bensalem, Pennsylvania,  
17 19202. The public is invited to attend both meetings  
18 and to provide testimony.

19                    Now, I will address a part of this job  
20 that is never pleasant. Specifically, our next order  
21 of business is to recognize the service of  
22 Commissioner Dave Hickernell to the Board since his  
23 term has expired. And he will - this will be his  
24 last public meeting. For those of you who don't  
25 know, Dave has been with the Board for two years,

1 having been appointed by Minority Leader Brian Cutler  
2 in 2023. Dave's prior public service includes  
3 serving 20 years as a State Representative from 2002  
4 to 2022, representing the 98th Legislative District  
5 in Lancaster and Dauphin Counties.

6                   During his tenure in the House, Dave  
7 served as Majority Chairman of the Tourism and  
8 Recreational Development Committee, the Education  
9 Committee and the Professional Licensure Committee.  
10 Dave has a long history of other public service as  
11 well, having served as the Clerk of Courts for  
12 Lancaster County. And prior to being elected to the  
13 House of Representatives, he held numerous key staff  
14 positions in that body for nearly two decades. He  
15 looks a lot younger than he is.

16                   Dave's broad array of experience and  
17 knowledge have been invaluable in bringing a diverse  
18 viewpoint to the Board. From being in the General  
19 assembly to his knowledge of professional licensure  
20 to his ability to give fellow Board Members the  
21 perspective of a local public official. And as a  
22 person who had previously been opposed to legalized  
23 gaming, his contributions to the Board have been  
24 invaluable.

25                   I, for one, am going to miss you,



1 Dave. I thank you for everything you've done for this  
2 Board and hope that you will enjoy your well-deserved  
3 retirement. I would ask if any of my other fellow  
4 Commissioners would like to add anything before we  
5 move to Dave's Resolution?

6 MS. RALSTON: Yeah, I just want to  
7 echo what the Chairwoman said. It was a pleasure to  
8 work with you and you definitely will be missed.

9 CHAIR: Thank you.

10 MR. DERMODY: Thank you, Madam Chair.  
11 And Dave, just wanted to say thank you. It's been a  
12 pleasure getting to know you better. We were on the  
13 opposite sides, but thank you. It's been great  
14 getting to know you better and I appreciate it.  
15 Thank you.

16 MR. DILLON: Yeah, I'll be calling you  
17 every so often, checking in with you. Became fast  
18 friends. Great guy. I'm definitely going to miss  
19 you and good luck in your retirement, pal.

20 MS. REGAN: Dave, it's going to be -  
21 it's been a real pleasure getting to know you with  
22 and without the whoopie pies that you've been  
23 bringing from Lancaster County. But you very much  
24 will be missed. It's been a real pleasure.

25 CHAIR: Commissioner Manzano-Díaz?

1                   MS. MANZANO-DÍAZ: Thank you, Dave,  
2 for all that you've done. You've contributed so much  
3 to this Board and we will definitely miss you.

4                   CHAIR: Well, thank you fellow  
5 Commissioners for all the kind words you've said to  
6 Dave. They're well deserved. And the whoopie pies  
7 will be missed, but not as much as you will be  
8 missed.

9                   As I mentioned, we have a Resolution  
10 commemorating your service to the Board. I'm not  
11 going to read it, rather I'll simply ask for a motion  
12 on the Resolution for Commissioner Hickernell. May I  
13 have a motion, please?

14                   MR. DILLON: Madam Chair, Commissioner  
15 Dillon moves that the Board approve the Resolution  
16 recognizing the service of David Hickernell to the  
17 Board.

18                   MS. REGAN: Commissioner Regan  
19 wholeheartedly seconds.

20                   CHAIR: All in favor?

21 (AYES RESPOND)

22                   CHAIR: All opposed?

23 (NO RESPONSE)

24                   CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

25 (APPLAUSE)

1                   CHAIR: Commissioner Hickernell, would  
2 like to say a few words. Go ahead, sir.

3                   MR. HICKERNELL: Thank you, Madam  
4 Chair. And thank you, fellow Board Members for your  
5 comments and your friendship and your kindness over  
6 the last two years. This has been a great  
7 experience. You know, I've learned a lot and enjoyed  
8 it a lot more than I thought I was going to when I -  
9 when I stepped into this chair a little more than two  
10 years ago. So, I'm going to miss everybody.

11                   Also want to thank the staff for your  
12 hard work. You know, I've been in state government  
13 for 41 years, work with a lot of staff people and you  
14 were some of the finest that I've ever worked with.  
15 You truly make us look good, and this is an agency  
16 that you can be proud to work for and I thank you for  
17 your service to the Commonwealth.

18                   And with that, I'm a man of few words.  
19 I'm not going to change that today, but thank you  
20 everybody for making me welcome here over the last  
21 two years. And I'll miss everybody. And may God  
22 bless each and every one of you. Thank you very  
23 much.

24 (APPLAUSE)

25                   CHAIR: Feel free to drop by anytime.

1 I would now like to ask for approval  
2 of the Board Meeting Transcript and Minutes from the  
3 January 29, 2025 Meeting. May I have a motion,  
4 please?

5 MS. REGAN: Madam Chair, Commissioner  
6 Regan moves that the Board approve the Minutes and  
7 Transcript of the January 29, 2025 Meeting.

8 MR. DERMODY: Commissioner Dermody  
9 seconds.

10 CHAIR: All in favor?  
11 (AYES RESPOND)

12 CHAIR: All opposed?  
13 (NO RESPONSE)

14 CHAIR: Motion carries.

15 Now, we will hear from the Executive  
16 Director, Kevin O'Toole. Kevin?

17 MR. O'TOOLE: Good morning, Chair  
18 Smyler and Members of the Board. As you are all  
19 aware, March is the Problem Gambling Awareness Month,  
20 and since we're still in March, I thought I would  
21 also talk about Compulsive and Problem Gambling. If  
22 you'll indulge me for a few minutes.

23 The Gaming Control Board recently  
24 issued a Resolution recognizing the significance of  
25 problem gambling and the need to highlight resources

1 that support prevention, education, treatment and  
2 recovery. Key personnel with our Office of  
3 Compulsive and Problem Gambling attended two  
4 conferences, one on the eastern part of the  
5 Commonwealth and one out west, presented by the  
6 Council on Compulsive Gambling of Pennsylvania. And  
7 our Director of the Office of Compulsive and Problem  
8 Gambling, Liz Lanza, testified on Monday before the  
9 House Gaming Oversight Committee.

10 Liz did a great job of presenting a  
11 gaming regulator's role in regard to addressing  
12 issues related to compulsive and problem gambling.  
13 For today's Executive Director's report, I would like  
14 to take this opportunity to update the Board on the  
15 topic of self-imposed limits, SILs, a topic that I  
16 presented in October of last year.

17 Gaming Control Board Regulations at  
18 Section 814 offer betters a number of responsible  
19 gaming self-imposed limits. These limits allow a  
20 gambler to control the amount of their deposits to  
21 their online gaming accounts. It allows the online  
22 player the ability to set a maximum amount per wager,  
23 to set a maximum amount of funds the player wants to  
24 spend during their online gaming session. And if  
25 necessary, the player can activate for themselves a

1 cooling-off period during which their online wagering  
2 account is deactivated from play. And that cooling-  
3 off period is completely separate and apart from our  
4 own self-exclusion program.

5                   One requirement that does exist for  
6 the cooling off period is that the requirement is  
7 that the patron must impose a minimum of 72 hours of  
8 a cooling-off period, a three-day period of time.  
9 Board staff has been able to monitor the use of these  
10 self-imposed limits on a monthly basis through the  
11 assistance of online gaming operators who provide the  
12 statistics to our Office of Compulsive and Problem  
13 Gambling, and those statistics come from the  
14 registered player accounts.

15                   The most used limit is the deposit  
16 limit and the second most used limit is the self-  
17 suspension or cool-down period. The statistics show  
18 a significant increase in the use of those two player  
19 self-imposed limits and increases are good. We want  
20 gamblers to look for ways to help control their  
21 spending habits and their gambling activity.

22                   In August of 2024, deposit limits were  
23 activated over 193 times during that month. In  
24 February of 2025, activation of deposit limits  
25 increased to over 285,000 times. So, very good

1 increase in that control. Similarly, the self-  
2 suspension cool-down periods were used over 105,000  
3 times in August of 2024 and that increased to 141,000  
4 times in February of 2025.

5                   One additional statistic that is very  
6 probative of the discussion of self-imposed limits is  
7 the percentage of Pennsylvania online accounts that  
8 used a self-imposed limit to help control their  
9 gambling activity. The utilization rate for self-  
10 imposed limits increased from 4 percent to 4.43  
11 percent of Pennsylvania online account holders during  
12 a six-month period. So, six months ago four percent  
13 of all players used one or more of those limits and  
14 that increased three quarters of a percent within a  
15 six-month period.

16                   And also, one final matter would be  
17 that the Office of Communications has added a new  
18 employee, Kristina Kwolek to enhance and modernize  
19 important messages from the Gaming Control Board to a  
20 broader audience. Such topics will include problem  
21 gambling and how the Gaming Control Board's  
22 regulations help to protect the gaming public. The  
23 messages will provide a fresh look and will be  
24 communicated through social media channels. We are  
25 excited about this effort to provide the public with

1 a deeper understanding about the work we do and bring  
2 new information to them about legalized gambling in  
3 the Commonwealth.

4 And before I take my seat, on behalf  
5 of myself and the staff of the Gaming Control Board,  
6 I would like to thank Commissioner Dave Hickernell  
7 for his outstanding service to the Gaming Control  
8 Board over the last two years and staff wish you all  
9 the best in your retirement from public service.  
10 Thank you, Dave.

11 CHAIR: Thank you, Kevin. All good  
12 information. Now we will hear from our Human  
13 Resources Director, Heidi Zula. Heidi?

14 MS. ZULA: Good morning, Madam Chair  
15 and Members of the Board. The Office of Human  
16 Resources has one motion for your consideration today  
17 relative to the hiring of five individuals. All  
18 individuals have completed the Background  
19 Investigation and drug screening and are ready for  
20 presentation to the Board.

21 Gavin Tice, Emily Mosquera and  
22 Benedicta Aiyalogbe have been selected as Compliance  
23 Examiners with the Bureau of Gaming Operations and  
24 are recommended for hire by Paul Resch Director of  
25 Gaming Operations. Summer Dauberman and Nathan Cook



1 have been selected as Casino Compliance  
2 Representatives at Hollywood Casino York and are  
3 recommended for hire by Greg Hazzouri, Director of  
4 Casino Compliance.

5 Unless you have any questions, I ask  
6 that the Board consider a motion to approve the  
7 hiring actions as indicated.

8 CHAIR: Any questions or comments? May  
9 I have a motion, please?

10 MR. DERMODY: Madam Chair,  
11 Commissioner Dermody moves that the Board approve the  
12 applicants for hire as proposed by the Human  
13 Resources Director.

14 MR. DILLON: Commissioner Dillon  
15 seconds.

16 CHAIR: All in favor?

17 (AYES RESPOND)

18 CHAIR: All opposed?

19 (NO RESPONSE)

20 CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

21 MS. ZULA: Thank you.

22 CHAIR: Thank you, Heidi. Next is our  
23 Office of Chief Counsel.

24 ATTORNEY COOK: Morning.

25 CHAIR: Morning.

1                    ATTORNEY COOK:    First order of  
2 business today under the Office of Chief Counsel  
3 report is consideration of six petitions.    Each of  
4 these petitions being brought before the Board today  
5 are being brought pursuant and being considered  
6 pursuant to the documentary record, as the Office of  
7 Enforcement Counsel has no objections to any of the  
8 requests.    Prior to the Board meeting today, the  
9 Board has been provided with the complete evidentiary  
10 record and all documents filed of record.

11                    The first Petition before the Board  
12 today is a joint request by Galaxy Gaming-01, LLC,  
13 Evolution Malta Holding Limited and Galaxy Gaming  
14 Ventures, LLC.    It seeks approval of a merger and  
15 change in control that will result with - that will  
16 involve two of our licensed operators.

17                    Galaxy Gamin-01, LLC is a Licensed  
18 Manufacturer that develops and distributes table  
19 games and iGaming products.    It is wholly and  
20 directly-owned by Galaxy Gaming, Inc., a publicly  
21 traded company.    The acquiring company is Evolution  
22 AB, a publicly-traded company based in Sweden.  
23 Evolution AB is 100 percent direct owner of Evolution  
24 Malta Limited, who is the 100 percent direct owner of  
25 Evolution US, LLC, also a Licensed Gaming

1 Manufacturer by the Board - or pursuant to a Board  
2 Order.

3                   On July 18, 2024, the parties entered  
4 into an agreement and a plan of merger to effectuate  
5 the purchase of 100 percent of the securities of  
6 Galaxy Gaming, Inc., by Evolution Malta, along with  
7 two individuals, Jesper Von Bahr and Martin  
8 Carlesund, both of whom are already licensed by the  
9 Board pursuant to their involvement with the  
10 Evolution Corporations. The final result of this  
11 merger will consist of Mr. Bahr, Mr. Carlesund and  
12 Evolution AB shareholders through intermediary  
13 companies they control being the ultimate owners of  
14 Galaxy-01.

15                   The OEC has no objection to this  
16 change in control, subject to conditions outlined in  
17 their Answer. OEC also requests that certain matters  
18 in the pleadings be maintained as confidential. Upon  
19 review of that request, the OCC has determined that  
20 those documents are already in the public record, in  
21 the public view, so, we'd recommend that request be  
22 denied, and this matter is now recommended for  
23 consideration by the Board.

24                   CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
25 May I have a motion, please?

1                   MR. DILLON: Madam Chair, Commissioner  
2 Dillon moves that the Board grant the Petition for  
3 Approval of Change of Control as described by the  
4 OCC. I further move that the OEC's Request for  
5 Confidentiality be denied.

6                   MR. HICKERNELL: Commissioner  
7 Hickernell seconds.

8                   CHAIR: All in favor?  
9 (AYES RESPOND)

10                  CHAIR: All opposed?  
11 (NO RESPONSE)

12                  CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

13                  ATTORNEY COOK: The next Petition  
14 before the Board today pertains to the OEC's request  
15 to revoke Sandra Budhram's Non-Gaming Employee  
16 Registration. Ms. Budhram was employed as an  
17 Environmental Services Public Area Attendant at Mount  
18 Airy Casino Resort.

19                         The uncontested facts in this matter  
20 are that on March 14, 2023, while working at Mount  
21 Airy, Ms. Budhram took a voucher mistakenly left by a  
22 patron at a slot machine. A review of the  
23 surveillance of Ms. Budhram's conduct showed her  
24 grabbing the voucher from the machine while she  
25 cleaned around it and eventually placing it in her

1 pocket. Upon being confronted by security, she  
2 initially denied taking the voucher, but later  
3 admitted to her actions and thereafter her employment  
4 with that casino was terminated.

5 In April of 2024, the OEC filed a  
6 Revocation Complaint. Ms. Budhram requested a  
7 hearing after receiving the complaint, but  
8 subsequently signed a waiver foregoing her right to a  
9 hearing, thereby allowing the Board to decide this  
10 matter on the documents filed of record, and this  
11 matter is now ready for the Board's consideration.

12 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?

13 May I have a motion, please?

14 MR. HICKERNELL: Madam Chair,  
15 Commissioner Hickernell moves that the Board grant  
16 the OEC's complaint to revoke Sandra Budhram's Non-  
17 Gaming Employee Registration as described by the OCC.

18 MS. RALSTON: Commissioner Ralston  
19 seconds.

20 CHAIR: All in favor?

21 (AYES RESPOND)

22 CHAIR: All opposed?

23 (NO RESPONSE)

24 CHAIR: Motion passes.

25 ATTORNEY COOK: Next before the Board

1 is a request for removal from the Self-Exclusion List  
2 filed by an individual with the initials C.N. On  
3 August 28, 2010, C.N. placed himself on the List,  
4 choosing the lifetime self-exclusion option.

5 On January 14, 2025, C.N. filed a  
6 request for removal from the List indicating that  
7 he's now financially sound, responsible with his  
8 money, and would like to game for entertainment  
9 purposes. As required by the Board's regulations,  
10 C.N. provided the required Problem Gambling  
11 Assessment Verification Form signed by a certified  
12 assessment provider, confirming that an assessment of  
13 C.N. was performed and that problem gambling  
14 treatment was not recommended.

15 The OEC filed an Answer stating they  
16 have no objection to C.N.'s request, as it has been  
17 over 14 years since his placement on the List and he  
18 submitted all the required documentation and  
19 additionally, he has no known violations of his self-  
20 exclusion ban, and this matter is now ready for the  
21 Board's consideration.

22 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
23 May I have a motion, please?

24 MR. DERMODY: Madam Chair,  
25 Commissioner Dermody moves that the Board grant

1 C.N.'s Petition for Removal from the Casino Self-  
2 Exclusion List as described by the OCC.

3 MS. RALSTON: Commissioner Ralston  
4 seconds.

5 CHAIR: All in favor?  
6 (AYES RESPOND)

7 CHAIR: All opposed?  
8 (NO RESPONSE)

9 CHAIR: Motion passes.

10 ATTORNEY COOK: Next before the Board  
11 is a second request for removal from the Self-  
12 Exclusion List. On August 28, 2010, an individual  
13 with the initials L.N. placed herself on the List,  
14 choosing the lifetime self-exclusion option.

15 On January 14, 2025, L.N. filed a  
16 request for removal from the List indicating that she  
17 is now financially sound, can game responsibly, and  
18 states that her gambling at this point would only be  
19 recreational. L.N. has complied with the Board's  
20 regulations and provided the required gambling -  
21 Problem Gambling Assessment Verification form signed  
22 by a certified assessment provider, confirming that  
23 assessment of L.N. was performed and that problem  
24 gambling treatment was not recommended.

25 The OEC filed Answer stating they have

1 no objection to L.N.'s request, as it has been over  
2 14 years since her placement on the List. She  
3 submitted all the required documentation and there  
4 are no known violations of her exclusion and this  
5 matter is now ready for the Board's consideration.

6 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
7 May I have a motion, please?

8 MS. RALSTON: Commissioner Ralston  
9 moves that the Board grant L.N.'s Petition for  
10 Removal from the Casino Self-Exclusion List as  
11 described by the OCC.

12 MS. REGAN: Commissioner Regan  
13 seconds.

14 CHAIR: All in favor?  
15 (AYES RESPOND)

16 CHAIR: All opposed?  
17 (NO RESPONSE)

18 CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

19 ATTORNEY COOK: Next is a third  
20 Request for Removal from the Self-Exclusion List. On  
21 April 2007, an individual with the initials J.O.  
22 placed herself on the List, choosing the lifetime  
23 self-exclusion option. On December 20th, 2024, J.O.  
24 filed a request for removal from the List stating  
25 that she was going through medical issues which led



1 to her decision to place herself on the List  
2 initially. She further indicated that she now feels  
3 responsible and is in a place mentally where she can  
4 make good decisions.

5 J.O. included with her Petition, the  
6 required Problem Gambling Assessment Form signed by a  
7 certified assessment provider confirming that she an  
8 assessment of J.O. was performed and that problem  
9 gambling treatment was not recommended. The OEC  
10 filed an Answer stating that it had no objection to  
11 J.O.'s request despite the fact that she did violate  
12 her exclusion on occasions. However, the last  
13 violation was 11 and-a-half years ago. This matter  
14 is now ready for the Board's consideration.

15 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
16 May I have a motion, please?

17 MS. REGAN: Commissioner Regan moves  
18 that the Board grant J.O.'s Petition for Removal from  
19 the Casino Self-Exclusion List as described by the  
20 OCC.

21 MR. DERMODY: Commissioner Dermody  
22 seconds.

23 CHAIR: All in favor?  
24 (AYES RESPOND)

25 CHAIR: All opposed?

1 (NO RESPONSE)

2 CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

3 ATTORNEY COOK: The final Petition  
4 before the Board today is a fourth Request for  
5 Removal from the Self-Exclusion List. In July 2012,  
6 an individual with the initials R.L. placed himself  
7 on the List choosing lifetime self-exclusion option.

8  
9 On November 19, 2024, R.L. filed his  
10 Request for Removal from the List stating that he had  
11 placed himself on the List because he was missing too  
12 much time from work to engage in gaming activities.  
13 R.L. further stated that he did not realize he would  
14 not be able to patronize casinos in other states or  
15 attend concerts at casinos in other states that were  
16 affiliated with Pennsylvania casinos.

17 R.L. did also provided the required  
18 Problem Gambling Assessment Verification Form signed  
19 by a certified assessment provider confirming that an  
20 assessment of R.L. was performed and that problem  
21 gambling treatment was not recommended.

22 The OEC filed an Answer stating it has  
23 no objection to R.L.'s request as it has been over 12  
24 years since his placement on the List, and he  
25 submitted all the required documentation and has no

1 violations of his self-imposed ban, and this matter  
2 is now ready for the Board's consideration.

3 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
4 May I have a motion please?

5 MR. DERMODY: Madam Chair,  
6 Commissioner Dermody moves that the Board grant  
7 R.L.'s Petition for Removal from the Casino Self-  
8 Exclusion List as described by the OCC.

9 MR. DILLON: Commissioner Dillon  
10 seconds. All in favor?

11 CHAIR: All in favor?  
12 (AYES RESPOND)

13 CHAIR: All opposed?  
14 (NO RESPONSE)

15 CHAIR: Motion passes.

16 ATTORNEY COOK: Next, presenting  
17 Withdrawals and Surrenders, as well as Reports and  
18 Recommendations is Deputy Chief Counsel Chad  
19 Zimmermann.

20 ATTORNEY ZIMMERMANN: Good morning,  
21 Commissioners. The next matter before the Board  
22 today pertains to several unopposed Petitions to  
23 Withdraw Applications or Surrender the Credentials of  
24 the following individuals and entities. Lindsey  
25 Drake, Motti Gil, Roy Allison, Martin Logan, Elyahu

1 Azur, Game Lounge Limited, Jason Smith, NT Holdings  
2 Limited, TSG Interactive U.S. Services Limited.

3 The OEC has no objections to any of  
4 these withdrawals or surrenders. As a result, if the  
5 Board chooses to grant these requests in every case,  
6 it would be doing so without prejudice to requester.  
7 For the record, it is noteworthy that TSG  
8 Interactive's surrender is contingent upon payment of  
9 fees currently owed to the Board. However, all  
10 others have no conditions upon them.

11 These matters are all now ripe for the  
12 Board's consideration.

13 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
14 May I have a motion, please?

15 MR. DILLON: Madam Chair, Commissioner  
16 Dillon moves that the Board issue Orders to approve  
17 the Withdrawals and Surrenders as described by the  
18 OCC.

19 MR. HICKERNELL: Commissioner  
20 Hickernell seconds.

21 CHAIR: All in favor?  
22 (AYES RESPOND)

23 CHAIR: All opposed?  
24 (NO RESPONSE)

25 CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

1                    ATTORNEY ZIMMERMANN:    Next before the  
2 Board for consideration are five Reports and  
3 Recommendations received from the Office of Hearings  
4 and Appeals.    These Reports and Recommendations,  
5 along with the evidentiary record for each hearing,  
6 have been provided to the Board in advance of this  
7 meeting.    Additionally, the persons involved have  
8 each been notified that the Board would be  
9 considering their matter today and that each would  
10 have the ability to come forward and briefly address  
11 the Board.

12                    The first Report and Recommendation  
13 before the Board today is Brian Goodfellow.    Mr.  
14 Goodfellow holds a Gaming Level 2 Employee Occupation  
15 Permit and previously worked as a Player Services  
16 Cage Assistant Manager at Hollywood Casino  
17 Morgantown.    On April 9, 2024, the OEC filed a  
18 complaint for emergency suspension of Mr.  
19 Goodfellow's G2 Permit after receiving notice that he  
20 had been charged with a felony offense.    As a result  
21 of these charges, the Board's Executive Director  
22 issued an Emergency Order suspending Mr. Goodfellow's  
23 G2 Permit.

24                    A hearing in this matter was held June  
25 7, 2024.    OEC appeared for the hearing and presented

1 testimony and documentary evidence. Mr. Goodfellow  
2 appeared and testified on his own behalf. Evidence  
3 and testimony at the hearing showed that Mr.  
4 Goodfellow, while employed at Hollywood Casino  
5 Morgantown, failed to report his income on  
6 applications he was filling out to receive LIHEAP and  
7 SNAP benefits, which resulted in him receiving over  
8 \$5,900 in benefits between December 1st, 2022 and  
9 April 30, 2023, to which he was not entitled.

10 Mr. Goodfellow testified that his  
11 attorney and the Office of Inspector General had  
12 reached an agreement wherein the charge would  
13 ultimately be dismissed upon him repaying the  
14 benefits received. He further stated that the  
15 repayment would be satisfied, he believes, in July or  
16 August 2024. Mr. Goodfellow also testified that his  
17 failure to disclose the income was inadvertent as he  
18 mistakenly reported to the income to the wrong  
19 office.

20 Following a hearing, a Report and  
21 Recommendation was issued recommending that the  
22 suspension of Mr. Goodfellow's G2 Permit remain in  
23 effect. Since the issuance of the Report and  
24 Recommendation, Mr. Goodfellow supplemented the  
25 record with correspondence from his public defender

1 noting the status of this case. This letter was  
2 provided to both the Board and OEC.

3 This matter is now ripe for the  
4 Board's consideration.

5 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
6 May I have a motion, please?

7 MR. HICKERNELL: Madam Chair,  
8 Commissioner Hickernell moves that the Board adopt  
9 the Report and Recommendation issued by the OHA, as  
10 described by the OCC, and that the suspension of  
11 Brian Goodfellow's Gaming Level 2 Employee Occupation  
12 Permit remain in effect.

13 MR. DILLON: Commissioner Dillon  
14 seconds.

15 CHAIR: All in favor?  
16 (AYES RESPOND)

17 CHAIR: All opposed?  
18 (NO RESPONSE)

19 CHAIR: Motion passes.

20 ATTORNEY ZIMMERMANN: Dawnetta  
21 Washington's matter is next before the Board. This  
22 matter was presented to the Board initially at the  
23 February 26, 2025 Public Meeting.

24 CHAIR: Chad, I'm sorry. Can you just  
25 wait? I think Ms. Washington is here. Ms.

1 Washington, would you step forward?

2 Okay.

3 Thank you. You can proceed.

4 ATTORNEY ZIMMERMANN: Following the  
5 February meeting, Ms. Washington filed a request for  
6 reconsideration so that she would have the  
7 opportunity to address the Board. The Board issued  
8 an Order on March 14, 2025, granting that request.

9 Briefly, for the record, Ms.  
10 Washington was originally placed on the Board's  
11 Involuntary Exclusion List after leaving three  
12 children, ages 15, 14 and 10, unattended in a vehicle  
13 for approximately two hours at 1:00 a.m. outside  
14 Hollywood Casino at Penn National Race Course. The  
15 Report and Recommendation in this matter recommended  
16 that Ms. Washington's Petition for Removal from the  
17 Involuntary Exclusion List be denied. And Ms.  
18 Washington is here, and this matter is ready for the  
19 Board's consideration.

20 CHAIR: Chad, did you want to give us  
21 a few more details of the incident at issue for the  
22 record?

23 ATTORNEY ZIMMERMANN: Well, in this  
24 incident, she was placed on the List, leaving three  
25 children unattended at Hollywood Casino from 1:00



1 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. - 3:00 a.m., sorry. She appeared  
2 and testified at the hearing that she was homeless at  
3 the time. The reason she was at Hollywood Casino was  
4 that someone was going to pay for a hotel room for  
5 her. When that fell through, she went to the casino  
6 to try and acquire the funds in order to pay for a  
7 hotel room, as she was homeless at the time and  
8 looking for a place for her and her children to stay.

9 CHAIR: Thank you. Ms. Washington,  
10 would you like to address the Board?

11 MS. WASHINGTON: Yes, I would.

12 CHAIR: Could you stand and be sworn  
13 by the Court Reporter, please.

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15 DAWNETTA WASHINGTON,  
16 CALLED AS A WITNESS IN THE FOLLOWING PROCEEDING, AND  
17 HAVING FIRST BEEN DULY SWORN, TESTIFIED AND SAID AS  
18 FOLLOWS:

19 ---

20 CHAIR: And Ms. Washington, could you  
21 spell your name for the Court Reporter?

22 MS. WASHINGTON: Dawnetta,  
23 D-A-W-N-E-T-T-A. Washington, W-A-S-H-I-N-G-T-O-N.

24 CHAIR: Ms. Washington, you may  
25 proceed.

1                   MS. WASHINGTON:   Good morning,  
2 everyone.   They - I'm nervous.   I don't remember the  
3 day that it happened, but I remember the incident.  
4 Someone was supposed to pay for my hotel room the day  
5 before.   And they said they was going to do it, but  
6 didn't do it.   So, I took it upon myself, because my  
7 children was in the car -.   They're 19, 18, and 15  
8 now.   I'm a mother of 13; three boys, ten girls, but  
9 these are my younger three.

10                   I went through eviction, couldn't get  
11 the funds to get a place, so I had to hop house to  
12 house - well, hotel to hotel to get a stable place  
13 for my kids to sleep.   When I went in there, they was  
14 sleeping.   My oldest daughter, I told her, I'm gonna  
15 go in here, try to get some money so I could pay for  
16 the hotel.

17                   So I did make the money.   I was  
18 getting ready to leave, the security came and said,  
19 someone hit my car.   You have to go right now because  
20 they hit your car.   So I was, like, oh, my God.   My  
21 children are in the car.   My children - my daughter  
22 didn't even call me.   So, I went out there.   They  
23 asked me questions, told me I had to leave.

24                   So, then I left.   They called children  
25 and services on me.   They came to the house.   They

1 said I explained to them everything - well to the  
2 hotel. I told them everything that happened, and  
3 they just dropped the case. Then the casino said  
4 that I had to stay away for a year. I stayed away  
5 for a year, came back, they gave me a new card and  
6 then I played.

7 I've been playing, and that's been it.  
8 I haven't had any other issues, but then now they  
9 kicked me out again. And then they were sending mail  
10 to the old address, but I didn't live there. So,  
11 that's why it took so long for me to come here or  
12 talk to someone, because they didn't have the right  
13 address, because I didn't have an address. And they  
14 sent me multiple letters, they said, but to - to the  
15 old address, but I never received anything because  
16 people moved into the house.

17 So, I guess I - I don't know what they  
18 did to the mail, and I didn't know that I can  
19 transfer or ask the post office to hold my mail. I  
20 didn't know that until recently, that they can put a  
21 hold on any mail that comes to that address. I still  
22 don't receive a lot of mail. And I'm now at a new  
23 residence. I got housing. I've been there for a  
24 year and - almost two years. And now I'm financially  
25 stable, but I feel as though I shouldn't be -.

1 I did what they asked me, to stay away  
2 for the year and - and then I came back after the  
3 year. So, I don't feel as though I should be - I  
4 don't know what the word is, for a lifetime.

5 CHAIR: It's excluded, and it's for  
6 five years, not for a lifetime.

7 MS. WASHINGTON: They told me, it's  
8 the life. They said life.

9 ATTORNEY COOK: She would have to  
10 petition to come off after five years, but which  
11 would be September of 2028.

12 ATTORNEY ZIMMERMANN: And Hollywood  
13 may have issued a lifetime after the fact. Just -.

14 CHAIR: Okay.

15 But technically, you could petition  
16 after five years to come off the List. Not - you  
17 don't have to wait a whole lifetime.

18 Okay?

19 So anyway, do you have anything else,  
20 Ms. Washington?

21 MS. WASHINGTON: I think that's it.

22 CHAIR: Okay.

23 Any questions or comments from the  
24 Board?

25 MS. MANZANO-DÍAZ: Ms. Washington,

1 this is Commissioner Manzano-Díaz. I'd like to know,  
2 you said you were stable now, you've been living at  
3 the place. Are you working now and are your children  
4 with you?

5 MS. WASHINGTON: My children are with  
6 me. I'm disabled, so I'm not working. I received  
7 Social Security now.

8 MS. MANZANO-DÍAZ: Okay.  
9 Okay.

10 I wish you luck. Thank you.

11 MS. WASHINGTON: Thank you.

12 CHAIR: Any other questions from the  
13 Commissioners?

14 Ms. Washington, I have a couple of  
15 questions for you.

16 MS. WASHINGTON: Okay.

17 CHAIR: You were going from hotel to  
18 hotel. How were you paying for the hotels prior to  
19 that date?

20 MS. WASHINGTON: People was helping me  
21 and I was going to the casino because I was - I was  
22 at the level to where they gave me free money when I  
23 didn't have money. So, the free money I would play,  
24 and like when you play and you win, you cash out. So  
25 they'll give you a ticket of the stuff that you won.

1 But the money that you put in that was free, you  
2 don't get it out. So, I had to play that in order to  
3 get - raise it up to get money out of the machine to  
4 go pay.

5 CHAIR: So, you were gambling,  
6 thinking you could win every time and get money?

7 MS. WASHINGTON: Basically, I did  
8 almost - almost every time.

9 CHAIR: You're an unusual gambler.  
10 So, why did you wait until 1:00 in the morning? You  
11 can check into a hotel at 3:00 or 4:00 in the  
12 afternoon.

13 MS. WASHINGTON: Right.

14 CHAIR: Why did you wait until 1:00 in  
15 the morning?

16 MS. WASHINGTON: I didn't have no  
17 money, and then when went to the hotel, I can't  
18 remember the one, the name of it, it's on Eisenhower  
19 Boulevard, and when they told me they couldn't pay,  
20 help me pay, I just said, let me go to casino.

21 CHAIR: So, you went to the hotel at  
22 what time?

23 MS. WASHINGTON: I don't remember, but  
24 I was there early and then when they -. I was  
25 waiting in the parking lot. So, when they said -

1 when the person called and said they didn't have it,  
2 they couldn't help me, they could probably help me  
3 later on this week, I just went to the casino.

4 CHAIR: So, you went to the casino  
5 right after the hotel said they couldn't help you.  
6 So, this was 1:00 in the morning?

7 MS. WASHINGTON: Because I was there -  
8 I want to say I was there since 11:00, 11 o'clock.  
9 And then when they told me they couldn't, it was like  
10 11:00-something.

11 CHAIR: Is that the A.M. or P.M.?

12 MS. WASHINGTON: That was night time.

13 CHAIR: So, you didn't go to the hotel  
14 'til (sic) 11:00 p.m.?

15 MS. WASHINGTON: Right. I've been  
16 waiting all day for them to call me back. Oh, yeah.  
17 I got you, I got you. So, all I did was ride around  
18 with my kids.

19 CHAIR: Okay.

20 And you said the security people said  
21 that someone had hit your car?

22 MS. WASHINGTON: Yes, ma'am.

23 CHAIR: And that could have been a  
24 real possibility, leaving three kids in a car.

25 MS. WASHINGTON: Yes.

1                   CHAIR: At 1:00 in the morning, that  
2 somebody could have hit it.

3                   MS. WASHINGTON: But I was in between  
4 cars. I was parked in between cars.

5                   CHAIR: That doesn't prevent somebody  
6 from hitting your car.

7                   MS. WASHINGTON: Right.

8                   CHAIR: Okay.

9 All right. All right. Thank you.  
10 Anything else?

11                   MR. DERMODY: Just one quick question.

12                   CHAIR: Commissioner Dermody.

13                   MR. DERMODY: Did you say that you had  
14 18 kids?

15                   CHAIR: Thirteen (13).

16                   MR. DERMODY: Thirteen (13)?

17                   MS. WASHINGTON: Yes, 13.

18                   MR. DERMODY: Okay.

19 All right. Thanks.

20                   CHAIR: Any other questions, comments?

21 Ms. Washington, we're going to  
22 undertake your matter at the end of this Chief  
23 Counsel's presentations. You could take a seat in  
24 the back.

25                   MS. WASHINGTON: Okay.



1                   CHAIR: All right. Thank you.

2                   MS. WASHINGTON: Thank you.

3                   CHAIR: You may proceed.

4                   ATTORNEY ZIMMERMANN: So, for the  
5 record, we will briefly table Dawnetta Washington for  
6 a vote after. We'll move on to Melanie Crockett.  
7 Hers is the next matter before the Board.

8                   On July 17, 2024, the OEC filed a  
9 Petition to place Melanie Crockett on the Involuntary  
10 Interactive Gaming Exclusion List. A hearing in this  
11 matter was originally scheduled for November 13,  
12 2024. Ms. Crockett requested a continuance, which  
13 was granted, and a hearing was rescheduled and held  
14 December 10, 2024.

15                   OEC appeared, presenting testimony and  
16 documentary evidence. Although receiving proper  
17 notice, Mr. Crockett failed to appear. The evidence  
18 and testimony at the hearing showed that in December  
19 2020, Ms. Crockett created fraudulent iGaming  
20 accounts using the BetMGM platform. These accounts  
21 were flagged by BetMGM when one of the accounts  
22 created utilized the name of a deceased individual.  
23 BetMGM began an investigation and were able to link  
24 all of the fraudulent accounts to one another.

25                   Ms. Crockett created the accounts

1 using the individual's personal identifying  
2 information, receiving the \$25 welcome bonus in each  
3 account that are provided when a new account is  
4 created and gamed with those funds.

5 Consequently, a Report and  
6 Recommendation was issued recommending that Ms.  
7 Crockett be placed on the Board's Involuntary  
8 Interactive Gaming Exclusion List. And this matter  
9 is now ripe for the Board's consideration.

10 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
11 May I have a motion, please?

12 MS. RALSTON: Commissioner Ralston  
13 moves that the Board adopt the Report and  
14 Recommendation issued by the OHA, as described by the  
15 OCC, and that Melanie Crockett be placed on the  
16 Board's Involuntary Interactive Exclusion List.

17 MS. REGAN: Commissioner Regan  
18 seconds.

19 CHAIR: All in favor?  
20 (AYES RESPOND)

21 CHAIR: All opposed?  
22 (NO RESPONSE)

23 CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

24 ATTORNEY ZIMMERMANN: The next Report  
25 and Recommendation pertains to Manuel Martinez. On

1 April 9, 2024, the OEC filed a Petition to place  
2 Manuel Martinez on the Involuntary Exclusion List.

3 A hearing in this matter was held in  
4 December 2024. OEC appeared and presented  
5 testimonial, documentary and surveillance evidence.  
6 Mr. Martinez appeared and testified on his own  
7 behalf. The evidence and testimony presented show  
8 that on September 18, 2022, a patron reported to  
9 casino staff that there were two unattended children,  
10 who turned out to be ages 13 and 8, in a vehicle  
11 located at the parking lot at Valley Forge Casino  
12 Resort.

13 Video surveillance showed that Mr.  
14 Martinez and Gloria Chacon, the children's mother,  
15 left the children unattended in a vehicle, entered  
16 the casino and gamed. Upon being approached by  
17 security, Mr. Martinez was escorted back to the  
18 vehicle where Pennsylvania State Police were speaking  
19 with the children. The children were left alone for  
20 approximately 52 minutes. No criminal charges were  
21 filed against the individuals.

22 Mr. Martinez testified that he told  
23 Ms. Chacon she needed to remain with her children  
24 while he gamed at the casino, but that she responded  
25 to him, stating that she wanted to game as well. He

1 further stated that he told her to go back to the car  
2 as the children were her responsibility, but that she  
3 refused.

4 After hearing all the evidence  
5 presented, a Report and Recommendation was issued  
6 recommending that Mr. Martinez be placed on the  
7 Board's Involuntary Exclusion List. And this matter  
8 is now ripe for the Board's consideration.

9 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
10 May I have a motion, please?

11 MS. REGAN: Madam Chair, Commissioner  
12 Regan moves that the Board adopt the Report and  
13 Recommendation issued by the OHA, as described by the  
14 OCC and that Manuel Martinez be placed on the Board's  
15 Involuntary Exclusion List.

16 MR. DERMODY: Commissioner Dermody  
17 second.

18 CHAIR: All in favor?  
19 (AYES RESPOND)

20 CHAIR: All opposed?  
21 (NO RESPONSE)

22 CHAIR: Motion carries.

23 ATTORNEY ZIMMERMANN: The final Report  
24 and Recommendation stems from another Petition to  
25 place an individual on the Board's Involuntary

1 Exclusion List. On April 25, 2024, the OEC filed its  
2 Petition to place Mengshi Wang on the Involuntary  
3 Exclusion List.

4 Ms. Wang requested a hearing which was  
5 held October of 2024. OEC appeared, presenting  
6 testimony, documentary and surveillance evidence.  
7 Ms. Wang failed to appear at the hearing and it was  
8 held in her absence. However, after the hearing, Ms.  
9 Wang contacted the OHA indicating that she thought  
10 the hearing was for the following day. Another  
11 hearing was held in December of 2024 where Ms. Wang  
12 appeared and testified on her own behalf.

13 The evidence and testimony at the  
14 hearing showed that on April 21, 2023, Ms. Wang and a  
15 male companion left an eight-year old alone in a  
16 hotel room at Live! Casino and Hotel in Philadelphia.  
17 While the couple entered the casino, while Ms. Wang's  
18 companion gamed, she ordered takeout from one of the  
19 restaurants and then obtained a Player's Card.

20 Ms. Wang's daughter left the hotel  
21 room and came down to the lobby where she was  
22 approached by an employee. Pennsylvania State Police  
23 were contacted and Ms. Wang, as she walked towards -  
24 and confronted Ms. Wang as she walked towards the  
25 hotel from the casino lobby.

1           Thereafter, Ms. Wang, her companion and  
2 her daughter left the property. Ms. Wang's daughter  
3 was left unattended for just shy of an hour. No  
4 charges were filed, but she was issued a permanent  
5 eviction from the property. Ms. Wang then violated  
6 her eviction on four separate occasions. Ms. Wang  
7 testified that she was only picking up dinner from  
8 inside the casino and that it's unfair to exclude her  
9 from all casinos as opposed to just Live! where the  
10 incident occurred.

11           After hearing all the evidence  
12 presented, a Report and Recommendation was issued  
13 recommending that Mengshi Wang be placed on the  
14 Board's Involuntary Exclusion List and this matter is  
15 now ripe for the Board's consideration.

16           CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
17 May I have a motion, please?

18           MR. DERMODY: Madam Chair,  
19 Commissioner Dermody moves at the Board adopt the  
20 Report and Recommendation issued by the OHA, as  
21 described by the OCC, and that Mengshi Wang be placed  
22 on the Board's Involuntary Exclusion List.

23           MR. DILLON: Commissioner Dillon  
24 seconds.

25           CHAIR: All in favor?

1 (AYES RESPOND)

2 CHAIR: All opposed?

3 (NO RESPONSE)

4 CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

5 ATTORNEY COOK: That would otherwise  
6 conclude the matters of the OCC.

7 CHAIR: Okay.

8 Thank you. At this point, we are  
9 going to take a ten-minute recess, go into Executive  
10 Session and we will return turn to address Ms.  
11 Washington's issue.

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13 (WHEREUPON, EXECUTIVE SESSION WAS HELD.)

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15 CHAIR: Back on the record now, Mr.  
16 Zimmermann. You want to tee it up so that we can  
17 back on the record?

18 ATTORNEY ZIMMERMANN: In the matter of  
19 the Report and Recommendation involving Dawnetta  
20 Washington, just for the record's sake, I would  
21 provide a little additional information first in that  
22 Ms. Washington's matter is a Petition for Removal  
23 from the Involuntary Exclusion List. She was  
24 initially placed on the List by Board Order on the  
25 September 2023 meeting.

1                   That would mean that her five-year  
2 eligibility in order to request removal would be  
3 September of 2028. Once again, this incident stems  
4 back to February 14, 2022, as Ms. Washington  
5 testified to she was given a one-year ban from  
6 Hollywood Casino, Penn National Race Course, which  
7 she did comply with.

8                   The only, and I'm going to put this in  
9 quotes, violation of her Exclusion was when she went  
10 to the casino believing that she was only excluded  
11 from Hollywood, not from all Pennsylvania casinos,  
12 and only for a one-year period. And then she was  
13 cited for trespass at the time, but that was in  
14 October of 2023, after she had been placed on the  
15 Board's Exclusion List.

16                   CHAIR: And the Report and  
17 Recommendation was put -?

18                   ATTORNEY ZIMMERMANN: And the Report  
19 and Recommendation was to deny the Petition because  
20 it is an early request and not enough grounds were  
21 given to provide extraordinary circumstances that  
22 would warrant early removal.

23                   CHAIR: Thank you. Any questions or  
24 comments from the Board?

25                   Hearing none, may I have a motion,



1 please?

2 MS. REGAN: Madam Chair, Commissioner  
3 Regan moves that the Board adopt the Report and  
4 Recommendation issued by the OHA, as directed by the  
5 OCC, and that Dawnetta Washington's Petition for  
6 Removal from the Board's Involuntary Exclusion List  
7 be denied and that she remain on the List.

8 MS. RALSTON: Commissioner Ralston  
9 seconds.

10 CHAIR: All in favor?

11 (AYES RESPOND)

12 CHAIR: All opposed?

13 (NO RESPONSE)

14 CHAIR: Motion is granted.

15 Ms. Washington, thank you very much  
16 for coming before us, and we wish you - wish very  
17 much that you - wish you well in your staying stable  
18 in housing and income.

19 Okay.

20 ATTORNEY ZIMMERMANN: And I'll take  
21 out back -.

22 CHAIR: Counsel will explain to you  
23 exactly what transpired.

24 Okay?

25 Thank you. Thank you, Chad and Steve.

1 We will now have the Bureau of Licensing matters  
2 presented by the Director of the Bureau of Licensing,  
3 Sean Hannon. Sean?

4 MR. HANNON: Good morning, Madam Chair  
5 and Members of the Board. The first licensing matter  
6 for your consideration is approval of a Slot Machine  
7 Manufacturer License for Pavilion Payments Gaming  
8 Services Incorporated, doing business as, Pavilion  
9 Payments.

10 The company was formed in Illinois in  
11 1999 with its principal place of business in Las  
12 Vegas, Nevada. Pavilion Payments provides payment  
13 processing services to the gaming industry. The  
14 company was granted interim authorization on November  
15 1st, 2024. The Bureau of Investigation and  
16 Enforcement has completed its investigation of the  
17 company. And the Bureau of Licensing has provided  
18 you with a Background Investigation and Suitability  
19 Report. I have provided you with a draft Order and  
20 ask that you consider the Order to approve the Slot  
21 Machine Manufacturer License for Pavilion Payments.

22 ATTORNEY PITRE: The OEC has no  
23 objection.

24 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
25 May I have a motion, please?

1                   MR. HICKERNELL: Madam Chair,  
2 Commissioner Hickernell moves that the Board grant  
3 the Slot Machine Manufacturer License as described by  
4 the Bureau of Licensing.

5                   MR. DERMODY: Commissioner Dermody  
6 seconds.

7                   CHAIR: All in favor?  
8 (AYES RESPOND)

9                   CHAIR: All opposed?  
10 (NO RESPONSE)

11                  CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

12                  MR. HANNON: Next, we have  
13 consideration of Interactive Gaming and Sports  
14 Wagering Manufacturer Licenses for Strive Platform  
15 Limited, doing business as, Strive Gaming.

16                         Formed in the United Kingdom in 2021,  
17 Strive Gaming's Principal place of business is in  
18 London, England. The company intends to offer a  
19 player account management system to interactive  
20 gaming and sports wagering operators within the  
21 Commonwealth. Strive Gaming was granted interim  
22 authorization on February 5th, 2024.

23                         The BIE has completed its  
24 investigation and the Bureau of Licensing has  
25 provided you with a Background Investigation and

1 Suitability Report, and the approval is ready for  
2 your consideration. I have provided you with draft  
3 Order and ask that you first consider the Order to  
4 approve Strive Gaming for an Interactive Gaming  
5 Manufacturer License.

6 ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel  
7 has no objection.

8 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
9 May I have a motion, please?

10 MR. DILLON: Madam Chair, Commissioner  
11 Dillon moves that the Board grant the Interactive  
12 Gaming Manufacturing License as described by the  
13 Bureau of Licensing.

14 MS. RALSTON: Commissioner Ralston  
15 seconds.

16 CHAIR: All in favor?  
17 (AYES RESPOND)

18 CHAIR: All opposed?  
19 (NO RESPONSE)

20 CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

21 MR. HANNON: And next would be  
22 consideration of Strive Gaming for a Sports Wagering  
23 Manufacturer License.

24 ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel  
25 has no objection.

1                   CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
2 May I have a motion, please?

3                   MS. RALSTON: Commissioner Ralston  
4 moves that the Board grant the Sports Wagering  
5 Manufacturing License as described by the Bureau of  
6 Licensing.

7                   MS. REGAN: Commissioner Regan  
8 seconds.

9                   CHAIR: All in favor?  
10 (AYES RESPOND)

11                   CHAIR: Commissioner Manzano-Díaz?

12                   MS. MANZANO-DÍAZ: Aye.

13                   CHAIR: Thank you. All opposed?  
14 (NO RESPONSE)

15                   CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

16                   MR. HANNON: Next, we have  
17 consideration of a VGT Establishment License for  
18 Raceway Management Company Incorporated, doing  
19 business as, Onvo Travel Plaza Highridge, who was  
20 previously approved for a Conditional License.

21                   The BIE has completed its  
22 investigation, including evaluating that the  
23 Applicant meets the VGT Establishment eligibility  
24 criteria in the Gaming Act. The Bureau of Licensing  
25 has provided you with a Background Investigation and

1 Suitability Report. I have provided you with draft  
2 Order and ask that you consider the Order to license  
3 Raceway Management Company Incorporated, located at  
4 1297 Keystone Boulevard in Pottsville.

5 ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel  
6 has no objection.

7 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
8 May I have a motion, please?

9 MS. REGAN: Commissioner Regan moves  
10 that the Board grant the Video Gaming Terminal  
11 Establishment License as described by the Bureau of  
12 Licensing.

13 MR. DERMODY: Commissioner Dermody  
14 seconds.

15 CHAIR: All in favor?  
16 (AYES RESPOND)

17 CHAIR: All opposed?  
18 (NO RESPONSE)

19 CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

20 MR. HANNON: Also is the approval of a  
21 VGT Establishment License for CHR Corp., Rutter's  
22 Store 99, who was previously approved for a  
23 Conditional License.

24 The BIE has completed its  
25 investigation, including evaluation that the

1 applicant meets the VGT Establishment eligibility  
2 criteria in the Gaming Act. The Bureau of Licensing  
3 has provided you with a Background Investigation and  
4 Suitability Report.

5 I have provided you with a draft Order  
6 and ask that you consider the Order to renew the  
7 Video Gaming Terminal Establishment License for  
8 CHR Corp. Rutter's Store 99, located at 1609 Scalp  
9 Avenue in Johnstown.

10 ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel  
11 has no objection.

12 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
13 May I have a motion, please?

14 MR. DERMODY: Madam Chair,  
15 Commissioner Dermody moves that the Board grant the  
16 Video Gaming Terminal Establishment License as  
17 described by the Bureau of Licensing.

18 MR. DILLON: Commissioner Dillon  
19 seconds.

20 CHAIR: All in favor?

21 (AYES RESPOND)

22 CHAIR: All opposed?

23 (NO RESPONSE)

24 CHAIR: Motion carries.

25 MR. HANNON: Next is consideration of

1 five Video Gaming Terminal Establishment License  
2 Renewals for CHR Corp., doing business as, Rutter's.  
3 The Rutter's locations being presented for renewal  
4 are stores 20, 53, 79, 81 and 96.

5 The BIE has completed its  
6 investigation and the Bureau of Licensing has  
7 provided you with Background Investigation and  
8 suitability reports. I have provided you with draft  
9 Orders and ask that the Board first consider the  
10 Order to renew the Video Gaming Terminal  
11 Establishment License for Rutter's Store 20, located  
12 at 2800 Vine Street in Middletown.

13 ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel  
14 has no objection.

15 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
16 May I have a motion, please?

17 MR. DILLON: Madam Chair, Commissioner  
18 Dillon moves that the Board grant the Video Gaming  
19 Terminal Establishment License Renewal, as described  
20 by the Bureau of Licensing.

21 MR. HICKERNELL: Commissioner  
22 Hickernell seconds.

23 CHAIR: All in favor?  
24 (AYES RESPOND)

25 CHAIR: All opposed?



1 (NO RESPONSE)

2 CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

3 MR. HANNON: The next Order is to  
4 renew the License for Rutter's Store 53, located at  
5 2213 Old Trail Road in Etters.

6 ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel  
7 has no objection.

8 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
9 May I have a motion, please?

10 MR. HICKERNELL: Madam Chair,  
11 Commissioner Hickernell moves that the Board grant  
12 the Video Gaming Terminal Establishment License  
13 Renewal as described by the Bureau of Licensing.

14 MS. RALSTON: Commissioner Ralston  
15 seconds.

16 CHAIR: All in favor?

17 (AYES RESPOND)

18 CHAIR: All opposed?

19 (NO RESPONSE)

20 CHAIR: Motion passes.

21 MR. HANNON: Next is the Order to  
22 renew the License for Rutter's Store Number 79,  
23 located at 234 Kuhn Lane in Duncansville.

24 ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel  
25 has no objection.

1                   CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
2 May I have a motion, please?

3                   MR. DERMODY: Madam Chair,  
4 Commissioner Dermody moves that the Board grant the  
5 Video Gaming Terminal Establishment License Renewal  
6 as described by the Bureau of Licensing.

7                   MS. RALSTON: Commissioner Ralston  
8 seconds.

9                   CHAIR: All in favor?  
10 (AYES RESPOND)

11                   CHAIR: All opposed?  
12 (NO RESPONSE)

13                   CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

14                   MR. HANNON: Next is the Order to  
15 renew the License for Rutter's Store Number 81,  
16 located at 15 New Enterprise Drive in Leesport.

17                   ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel  
18 has no objection.

19                   CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
20 May I have a motion, please?

21                   MS. RALSTON: Commissioner Ralston  
22 moves that the Board grant the Video Gaming Terminal  
23 Establishment License Renewal as described by the  
24 Bureau of Licensing.

25                   MS. REGAN: Commissioner Regan

1 seconds.

2 CHAIR: All in favor?

3 (AYES RESPOND)

4 CHAIR: All opposed?

5 (NO RESPONSE)

6 CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

7 MR. HANNON: And finally, the Order to  
8 renew the License for Rutter's Store Number 96,  
9 located at 20 Commerce Drive in Milroy.

10 ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel  
11 has no objection.

12 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
13 May I have a motion, please?

14 MS. REGAN: Commissioner Regan moves  
15 that the Board grant the Video Gaming Terminal  
16 Establishment License renewal as described by the  
17 Bureau of Licensing.

18 MR. DERMODY: Commissioner Dermody  
19 seconds.

20 CHAIR: All in favor?

21 (AYES RESPOND)

22 CHAIR: All opposed?

23 (NO RESPONSE)

24 CHAIR: Motion passes.

25 MR. HANNON: Next is consideration of

1 a Conditional Video Gaming Terminal Establishment  
2 License for CHR Corp., Rutter's Store Number 107.

3 The Board may conditionally license an  
4 establishment provided the Applicant has never been  
5 convicted of a felony, is current on state taxes, has  
6 submitted a completed application and has not been  
7 convicted of a gambling law violation. A preliminary  
8 review of this applicant indicates that they meet  
9 this criteria.

10 Please note that this is strictly a  
11 conditional approval. Final approval will be based  
12 on the applicant meeting all the eligibility criteria  
13 provided in the statute. A final eligibility  
14 determination will follow investigation and site  
15 inspection by the Bureau of Investigation and  
16 Enforcement.

17 I have provided you with a draft Order and  
18 ask the Board consider a motion to approve the  
19 Conditional Video Gaming Terminal Establishment  
20 License for CHR Corp., Rutter's Store Number 107,  
21 located at 100 Cramer Road in Shippensburg.

22 ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel  
23 has no objection.

24 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
25 May I have a motion, please?

1                   MR. DERMODY: Madam Chair,  
2 Commissioner Dermody moves at the Board grant the  
3 Video Gaming Terminal Establishment Conditional  
4 License as described by the Bureau of Licensing.

5                   MR. DILLON: Commissioner Dillon  
6 seconds.

7                   CHAIR: All in favor?  
8 (AYES RESPOND)

9                   CHAIR: All opposed?  
10 (NO RESPONSE)

11                  CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

12                  MR. HANNON: Next, are Principal and  
13 Key Employee Licenses. The Bureau of Licensing  
14 provided you with a proposed Order for six Principals  
15 and six Key Employees. I ask that the Board consider  
16 the Order approving these licenses.

17                  ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel  
18 has no objection.

19                  CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
20 May I have a motion, please?

21                  MR. DILLON: Madam Chair, Commissioner  
22 Dillon moves that the Board grant the Principal and  
23 Key Employee Licenses as described by the Bureau of  
24 Licensing.

25                  MR. HICKERNELL: Commissioner

1 Hickernell seconds.

2 CHAIR: All in favor?

3 (AYES RESPOND)

4 CHAIR: All opposed?

5 (NO RESPONSE)

6 CHAIR: Motion passes.

7 MR. HANNON: Next are Principal and  
8 Key Employee Temporary Credentials. The Bureau of  
9 Licensing provided you with an Order regarding the  
10 issuance of Temporary Credentials for eight  
11 Principals and nine Key Employees. I ask that the  
12 Board consider the Order approving these Credentials.

13 ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel  
14 has no objection.

15 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
16 May I have a motion, please?

17 MR. HICKERNELL: Madam Chair,  
18 Commissioner Hickernell moves that the Board grant  
19 the Temporary Principal and Key Employee Credentials  
20 described by the Bureau of License.

21 MS. REGAN: Commissioner Regan  
22 seconds.

23 CHAIR: All in favor?

24 (AYES RESPOND)

25 CHAIR: All opposed?

1 (NO RESPONSE)

2 CHAIR: Motion passes.

3 MR. HANNON: Additionally, for your  
4 consideration are Gaming Employee Permits and Non-  
5 Gaming Employee Registrations. The Bureau of  
6 Licensing has provided you with a list of 474  
7 individuals to whom the Bureau has granted temporary  
8 or full Occupation Permits and 173 individuals to  
9 whom the Bureau has granted registration under the  
10 authority delegated to the Bureau of Licensing.

11 I ask that the Board consider a motion  
12 approving the Order.

13 ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel  
14 has no objection.

15 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
16 May I have a motion, please.

17 MR. DILLON: Madam Chair, Commissioner  
18 Dillon moves that the Board approve the Applications  
19 for Gaming Employee Occupation Permits and Non-Gaming  
20 Employee Registrations as described by the Bureau of  
21 Licensing.

22 MS. RALSTON: Commissioner Ralston  
23 seconds.

24 CHAIR: All in favor?

25 (AYES RESPOND)

1                   CHAIR: All opposed?

2 (NO RESPONSE)

3                   CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

4                   MR. HANNON: Next, there is a  
5 recommendation of denial for one Gaming Level 2, one  
6 Gaming and two Non-Gaming Applicants. The Bureau of  
7 Licensing has provided you with the Order addressing  
8 the applicants who the OEC has recommended for  
9 denial. I ask that the Board consider the Order  
10 approving these denials.

11                   ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel  
12 continues to request denial in each matter.

13                   CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
14 May I have a motion, please?

15                   MS. RALSTON: Commissioner Ralston  
16 moves that the Board deny the Gaming Level 2, Gaming  
17 and Non-Gaming Employee Applications as described by  
18 the Bureau of License.

19                   MS. REGAN: Commissioner Regan  
20 seconds.

21                   CHAIR: All in favor?

22 (AYES RESPOND)

23                   CHAIR: All opposed?

24 (NO RESPONSE)

25                   CHAIR: Motion's adopted.



1                   MR. HANNON: The next matter for your  
2 consideration is Withdrawal Requests. In each case,  
3 the license, permit or registration is no longer  
4 required. For today's meeting, I have provided the  
5 Board two Key Employees, 20 Gaming and one Non-Gaming  
6 Applicant. I ask that the Board consider the Order  
7 approving these Withdrawals.

8                   ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel  
9 has no objection.

10                  CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
11 May I have a motion, please?

12                  MS. REGAN: Commissioner Regan moves  
13 that the Board grant the withdrawal of Key Employee  
14 Gaming and Non-Gaming Employee Applications as  
15 described by the Bureau of Licensing.

16                  MR. DERMODY: Commissioner Dermody  
17 seconds.

18                  CHAIR: All in favor?  
19 (AYES RESPOND)

20                  CHAIR: All opposed?  
21 (NO RESPONSE)

22                  CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

23                  MR. HANNON: In addition, we have an  
24 Order to renew the Gaming Service Provider  
25 Certification for Gisecke and Devrient Currency

1 Technology America Incorporated, doing business as, G  
2 and D Currency Technology America Incorporated, as  
3 well as initially certify GDC America Incorporated.

4 I have provided you with a draft Order and  
5 ask that the Board consider the Order certifying  
6 these companies.

7 ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel  
8 has no objection.

9 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
10 May I have a motion, please?

11 MR. DERMODY: Madam Chair,  
12 Commissioner Dermody moves that the Board approve the  
13 Gaming Service Provider Certifications as described  
14 by the Bureau of Licensing.

15 MR. DILLON: Commissioner Dillon  
16 seconds.

17 CHAIR: All in favor?  
18 (AYES RESPOND)

19 CHAIR: All opposed?  
20 (NO RESPONSE)

21 CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

22 MR. HANNON: And finally, for your  
23 consideration are Gaming Service Provider  
24 Registrations. The Bureau of Licensing provided you  
25 with an Order and an attached list of seven

1 Registered Gaming Service Provider Applicants. I ask  
2 that the Board consider the Order registering these  
3 Gaming Service Providers.

4 ATTORNEY PITRE: Enforcement Counsel  
5 has no objection.

6 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
7 May I have a motion please?

8 MR. DILLON: Madam Chair, Commissioner  
9 Dillon moves that the Board approve the Gaming  
10 Service Provider Registrations as described by the  
11 Bureau of Licensing.

12 MR. HICKERNELL: Commissioner  
13 Hickernell seconds.

14 CHAIR: All in favor?  
15 (AYES RESPOND)

16 CHAIR: All opposed?  
17 (NO RESPONSE)

18 CHAIR: Motion passes.

19 MR. HANNON: Thank you, Madam Chair.

20 CHAIR: Thank you, Sean. Next is the  
21 OEC, Cyrus Pitre. Cyrus?

22 ATTORNEY PITRE: Good morning, Chair,  
23 Members of the Board. The OEC will present 22  
24 matters today for the Board's consideration in which  
25 we will request the approval of one Consent

1 Agreement, one Revocation, two Suspensions and 18  
2 Involuntary Exclusions. The next matter on the  
3 agenda for the Board's consideration is a Consent  
4 Agreement between the OEC and Category 1 Licensee  
5 Washington Trotting Association, LLC, doing business  
6 as, Hollywood Casino at the Meadows, and iGaming  
7 Manufacturer Sports Information Services Limited,  
8 doing business as Kambi.

9 The matter will be presented by Senior  
10 Enforcement Counsel John Crohe. Representatives for  
11 Hollywood, Meadows and Kambi are present and at this  
12 time I would request that those individuals please  
13 introduce themselves for the record and that all non-  
14 attorney witnesses please stand and be sworn.

15 ATTORNEY HVIZDA: Alex Hvizda,  
16 A-L-E-X, last name Hvizda, H-V-I-Z-D-A, Director of  
17 Compliance for Hollywood Casino at the Meadows

18 MR. HEISKELL: Matthew Heiskell,  
19 M-A-T-T-H-E-W, H-E-I-S-K-E-L-L, Vice President and  
20 General Manager Hollywood Casino at the Meadows.

21 MR. DUFFY: Jack Duffy. Jack Duffy  
22 Sportsbook Regulatory Lead at Kambi, J-A-C-K,  
23 D-U-F-F-Y.

24 ATTORNEY GRAD: Joseph Grad,  
25 J-O-S-E-P-H, G-R-A-D, Attorney on behalf of Kambi.

1                    CHAIR: Yes. Any non-attorney  
2 witnesses, please stand to be sworn.

3                    ---

4 (WHEREUPON, WITNESSES SWORN EN MASSE.)

5                    ---

6                    CHAIR: Mr. Crohe, you may proceed.

7                    ATTORNEY CROHE: Thank you, Chair,  
8 Members of the Board, John Crohe, C-R-O-H-E, Senior  
9 Enforcement Counsel for the OEC. The next matter on  
10 the agenda concerns sports wagering errors.

11                    On March 31, 2023, the Meadows self-  
12 reported 35 incidents of past-posted sports wagers.  
13 Specifically, on March 30th, 2023 at the Meadows  
14 Retail Sportsbook at which bookmaking services are  
15 provided by Kambi, one individual pass-posted 35  
16 wagers. Each of the wagers were placed on variations  
17 of the result of the next pitch markets during the  
18 Major League Baseball game between the Cincinnati  
19 Reds and the Pittsburgh Pirates. The patron placed  
20 each wager at sports wagering kiosks 109 and 110.  
21 The wagers were made in the total stake amount of  
22 \$69,329, which ultimately paid out a total of  
23 \$100,947 resulting in a loss to the facility of  
24 \$31,617.75.

25                    On April 5th, 2023, The Meadows

1 submitted an error report indicating that this  
2 incident was able to occur because the Kambi trader  
3 assigned to the game failed to close the events in a  
4 timely manner and failed to notice the multiple bets  
5 were made by the same two kiosks after the outcome  
6 was known.

7                   The Meadows further explained that the  
8 Kambi supervisory team failed to notice the wagers.  
9 Trader refers to the individual responsible for  
10 creating offerings on which individuals can place  
11 wagers and in the instance relevant hereto, manually  
12 closing the offerings upon completion of the event on  
13 which the offering is available.

14                   On April 11, 2023, Kambi provided an  
15 incident report to the Meadows stating that the cause  
16 of the error which resulted in the past-posting was  
17 manual trading errors wherein the trader was late to  
18 update pitches on numerous occasions during the time  
19 of the incident.

20                   In each incident, the event was closed  
21 between 6 and 40 seconds after the pitch occurred.  
22 All impacted wagers were settled and the patron who  
23 pass-posted the 35 wagers, cashed out all associated  
24 tickets. Pursuant to the regulations, wagering  
25 devices shall prevent past-posting of wagers and the

1 voiding or cancellation of wagers after the outcome  
2 of the event is known.

3                   The OEC, Washington Trotting  
4 Association, LLC, doing business as Hollywood Casino  
5 at the Meadows and Sports Information Services  
6 Limited, doing business as, Kambi, respectfully  
7 request that the Board approve the Consent Agreement  
8 and Stipulations of Settlement and that the  
9 Washington Trotting Association, LLC, doing business  
10 as, Hollywood Casino at the Meadows and Sports  
11 Information Services Limited, doing business as,  
12 Kambi, pay total civil penalty of \$10,000, as well as  
13 a \$2,500 administrative fee for costs incurred by  
14 Board staff in connection with investigations into  
15 this matter.

16                   CHAIR: Thank you. Hollywood and  
17 Kambi, would you like to address the Board?

18                   MR. DUFFY: Madam Chair, Members of  
19 the Board, my name is Jack Duffy. I'm the Sportsbook  
20 Regulatory Lead at Kambi. As a member of the  
21 Sportsbook Control Department, one of our main  
22 responsibilities is incident management. We manage  
23 the reporting of the PGCB, as well as ensuring proper  
24 remedial actions after each incident. I appreciate  
25 the opportunity to give you a couple remarks and feel

1 free to ask questions after.

2 He explained the incident a little  
3 bit, but basically it was opening day in 2023, I  
4 guess at Hollywood Casino at the Meadows placed 35  
5 wagers on live instant markets after the outcomes  
6 were already known in the Pittsburgh Pirates and  
7 Cincinnati Reds game.

8 This opening day also introduced  
9 several new rule changes, most notably the pitch  
10 clock. This adjustment led to a significantly faster  
11 paced game, reducing the average game time by over 30  
12 minutes. Some consider that the most significant  
13 change in MLB history.

14 So, this incident was caused by a  
15 manual error from the trader assigned to the match.  
16 They were simply late to update the pitch result on  
17 numerous occasions. It did not appreciate what the  
18 ramifications of the this would be.

19 Additionally, we would expect our  
20 trading support staff responsible for monitoring bets  
21 to have identified the issue sooner. While they did  
22 notice the bets in real time, they initially did not  
23 believe them to be past-posting. Following the  
24 incident, we conducted a thorough review of our  
25 processes to ensure this error would not happen



1 again. Performance review tickets were raised for  
2 all staff involved and they received feedback on how  
3 they could have handled the situation better. To  
4 prevent future issues, additional trading support  
5 staff were scheduled to ensure proper coverage for  
6 all MLB games.

7 Additionally, the trading team was  
8 reminded to adjust templates when necessary. Had the  
9 trader adjusted to a semi-instant template, the  
10 markets that were impacted would have been removed.

11 Since this incident on March 30, 2023,  
12 we have not seen any related incidents throughout two  
13 full MLB seasons. Kambi fully appreciates that its  
14 ability to provide services in Pennsylvania is a  
15 privilege and from initial licensure in 2018, Kambi  
16 has worked collaboratively with full transparency  
17 with the PGCB sports wagering staff.

18 The PGCB staff members responsible for  
19 overseeing sports wagering are dedicated, highly-  
20 knowledgeable, hardworking professionals and Kambi  
21 and the PGCB share the same goal, to provide an  
22 error-free product with several operator partners in  
23 Pennsylvania. That concludes my remarks and if any  
24 questions, I'm happy to answer them. Thank you.

25 CHAIR: Any questions or comments from

1 the Board?

2 MR. DILLON: Yes, Madam Chair.

3 CHAIR: Commissioner Dillon?

4 MR. DILLON: So, this - there was two  
5 individuals that were involved in this as far as  
6 placing the bets.

7 Correct? Was there - was it - did I  
8 read it was two individuals that were -?

9 MR. DUFFY: So, the truth is, Kambi  
10 doesn't have personal information of the customer.  
11 So, basically we just see unique IDs. It was two  
12 unique IDs, but I believe it was one person from two  
13 different kiosks.

14 ATTORNEY HVIKZDA: Correct,  
15 Commissioner Dillon, yes. Alex Hvizda, Director of  
16 Compliance. There was one individual at the property  
17 and he was using two different kiosks. And part of  
18 the remedial measures here at the property, because  
19 we can't see the level of detail that they have, was  
20 to retrain our sportsbook staff that if you see  
21 someone using multiple kiosks or if they're standing  
22 there for a long period of time or have any sort of  
23 electronic device with them that's suspicious  
24 activity, you need to go investigate. Because a  
25 typical kiosk transaction is you walk up, you place

1 your wagers, you get your ticket and you go. But  
2 this individual, having found this vulnerability, was  
3 standing there going back and forth trying to get the  
4 bets in as quickly as he could because he knew he was  
5 pass-posting.

6 MR. DILLON: And that was my second  
7 question. I mean how, how was he able to pick up on  
8 this that quickly to realize there was a delay, you  
9 know, for him to be able to get a bet in within 10,  
10 15 seconds? I mean that's somebody -?

11 ATTORNEY HVIKZDA: There could have  
12 been somebody at the park. We don't know that. But  
13 I mean he would have seen - if he had been listening  
14 to it or you know, been watching the game and took  
15 advantage of that 6 to 40 seconds.

16 MR. DILLON: Because the even watching  
17 on the phone, it's delayed like - you know what I'm  
18 saying? So, just crazy that he was able to pick up  
19 that there was a delay going on to be able to, you  
20 know, pretty much steal.

21 ATTORNEY HVIKZDA: Yes, yes.

22 MR. DILLON: Okay.

23 Thank you.

24 CHAIR: Any other questions or  
25 comments? He picked up after he won one. He

1 realized something was going on. He was quick. So,  
2 Kambi, with regard to the trade, I understand that  
3 particular trader was moved to another area?

4 MR. DUFFY: Yeah. They removed from  
5 baseball trading altogether. They're primarily based  
6 in Manila, this trader specifically. So, yeah, they  
7 haven't traded baseball since.

8 CHAIR: And had they been with Kambi  
9 for a while in that position?

10 MR. DUFFY: I believe they were, but  
11 this was - because this was the first day of the MLB  
12 season. Yeah, I just don't think their experience  
13 was that strong in MLB to give a little bit of  
14 background on why they were doing what they were  
15 doing.

16 CHAIR: Uh-huh.

17 MR. DUFFY: Essentially, we - normally  
18 in a best case scenario, we're taking the pitch  
19 results straight from a feed provider, like in this  
20 case, Betradar. In this specific case, the  
21 connection disconnected, which isn't necessarily  
22 rare. It happens and traders are prepared to do so.  
23 So, yeah, in this case she or he - yeah, they just  
24 were late to update the pitch basically.

25 CHAIR: Okay.

1 Thank you. And Alex, I think you  
2 addressed what has been done on your end too.

3 ATTORNEY HVIKZDA: Correct. And we  
4 haven't seen any sort of similar behavior as they  
5 haven't seen any either.

6 MR. DILLON: One other question. So,  
7 you guys are prepared for when they go with this  
8 electronic pitch count? Like, you guys got things in  
9 place that you're going to be able to -?

10 MR. DUFFY: Sure, yeah. Do you mean  
11 the like upcoming robotic ump situation?

12 MR. DILLON: Yes, yes.

13 MR. DILLON: Yeah, yeah. So, I mean  
14 our baseball traders are really, you know, sharp on  
15 baseball, you could say. I mean, when the pitch  
16 clock initially got introduced and we had to deal  
17 with, you know, would this pitch violation count as a  
18 ball on a result of pitch or whatever like that, that  
19 was a long conversation. So, they've been preparing  
20 for the robotic ump, even though it's not gonna be in  
21 this season. It was only in spring training, but  
22 yeah, that's all covered.

23 CHAIR: Okay.

24 Commissioner Regan?

25 MS. REGAN: I'm just trying to make

1 sure I understand correctly. So, you're kind of  
2 unclear whether there was any complicity on the part  
3 of a staff member or do you think -?

4 ATTORNEY HVIKZDA: No. There was  
5 definitely -

6 MS. REGAN: Definitely not?

7 ATTORNEY HVIKZDA: - no complicity on  
8 the part of a staff member.

9 It was the patron who was in there at  
10 both of the kiosks going back and forth.

11 ATTORNEY CROHE: We didn't have any  
12 evidence to support that. It appeared to be one  
13 patron taking advantage of the situation standing in  
14 between two kiosks.

15 MS. REGAN: Gotcha' (sic). Thank you.

16 CHAIR: Okay.

17 Any other questions? Ms. Langan?

18 MS. LANGAN: Just real quick, were you  
19 guys able to do anything with the patron?

20 ATTORNEY CROHE: Yeah, so we - we did  
21 - we did review to see if there was any evidence of  
22 collusion with the patron and any other associated  
23 individuals or did not appear to be any. The  
24 individual was issued a warning letter explaining  
25 that they, you know, violated the integrity of sports

1     wagering. But as it appeared to just be the  
2     situation, he was taking advantage of it, that was  
3     the extent of the action taken.

4                     MS. LANGAN:    Okay.

5                     MS. REGAN:   That's probably worth the  
6     \$30,000 for them.

7                     CHAIR:    A little bit of shame. Any  
8     other questions or comments? Hearing none, may have  
9     a motion, please?

10                    MR. HICKERNELL:   Madam Chair,  
11     Commissioner Hickernell moves that the Board approve  
12     the Consent Agreement between the OEC and Washington  
13     Trotting Association, LLC, doing business as,  
14     Hollywood Casino at the Meadows and Sports  
15     Information Services Limited, doing business as,  
16     Kambi, as described by the OEC.

17                    MS. REGAN:    Commissioner Regan  
18     seconds.

19                    CHAIR:    All in favor?

20     (AYES RESPOND)

21                    CHAIR:    All opposed?

22     (NO RESPONSE)

23                    CHAIR:    Motion's adopted.

24                    ATTORNEY HVIZDA:   Thank you.

25                    CHAIR:    Thank you, gentlemen.

1                   ATTORNEY PITRE: Next three matters on  
2 the agenda consists of enforcement actions in which  
3 the OEC filed complaints seeking the Revocation or  
4 Suspension of permits or registrations previously  
5 issued by the Board. The complaint in each matter  
6 has been filed with the Board's OHA and properly  
7 served upon the individual named in each complaint.

8                   The individual named in each complaint  
9 failed to respond within 30 days as required by Board  
10 regulation. As a result, the OEC filed a request for  
11 Default Judgment in each instance and properly served  
12 the same upon each respondent. Therefore, the facts  
13 in each complaint are deemed admitted. All filed  
14 documents have been provided to the Board and matters  
15 are presently ripe for the Board's consideration.

16                   In each matter we will provide a brief  
17 summary of the facts and make a request for the  
18 appropriate Board action.

19                   ATTORNEY SANCHEZ: Good morning, Madam  
20 Chair Commander Commissioners Juan Sanchez with the  
21 OEC, S-A-N-C-H-E-Z. The next matter on the agenda  
22 for the Board's consideration is the Suspension of  
23 the Non-Gaming Employee registration issued to Jordan  
24 Miller-Wilson. Mr. Miller-Wilson was employed as  
25 Game Presenter at Evolution U.S., LLC.



1                   The City of Philadelphia Police  
2 Department arrested and criminally charged Jordan  
3 Miller-Wilson with felony offenses arising out of  
4 possession of child pornography, which charges remain  
5 pending. Evolution terminated him and he is not  
6 currently employed in Pennsylvania's gaming industry.  
7 Mr. Miller-Wilson failed to disclose this arrest to  
8 the Board.

9                   At this time, the OEC requests that  
10 the Board suspend the Non-Gaming Employee  
11 Registration issued to Jordan Miller-Wilson.

12                   CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
13 May I have a motion, please?

14                   MS. RALSTON: Commissioner Ralston  
15 moves that the Board approve the suspension of Jordan  
16 Miller-Wilson's Non-Gaming Employee Registration for  
17 the conduct described by the OEC.

18                   MS. REGAN: Commissioner Regan  
19 seconds.

20                   CHAIR: All in favor?  
21 (AYES RESPOND)

22                   CHAIR: All opposed?  
23 (NO RESPONSE)

24                   CHAIR: Motion passes.

25                   ATTORNEY ROBERTS: Good morning,

1 Chair, Members of the Board. Andrea Roberts,  
2 R-O-B-E-R-T-S, Assistant Enforcement Counsel. The  
3 next matter on the agenda for the Board's  
4 consideration is a Suspension of the Non-Gaming  
5 Employee Registration issued to Samijh Smith.

6 Mr. Smith was previously employed as  
7 an EVS Attendant at Team Clean, Inc. Mr. Smith was  
8 arrested and criminally charged with several felonies  
9 and misdemeanors for allegedly firing gunshots into  
10 an occupied structure.

11 At this time, the OEC requests the  
12 Board suspend the Non-Gaming Employee Registration  
13 issued to Samijh Smith.

14 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
15 May I have a motion, please?

16 MS. REGAN: Commissioner Regan moves  
17 that the Board approve the Suspension of Samijh  
18 Smith's Non-Gaming Employees Registration for the  
19 conduct described by the OEC.

20 MR. DERMODY: Commissioner Dermody  
21 seconds.

22 CHAIR: All in favor?

23 (AYES RESPOND)

24 CHAIR: All opposed?

25 (NO RESPONSE)

1                   CHAIR: Motion passes.

2                   ATTORNEY ROBERTS: The next matter on  
3 the agenda for the Board's consideration is the  
4 Revocation of the Gaming Employee Occupation Permit  
5 issued to Evan Zafuto. Mr. Zafuto was previously  
6 employed as a Poker Dealer at Live! Pittsburgh  
7 Casino. Over the course of eight work shifts, Mr.  
8 Zafuto stole \$694 from the rake High Hands Jackpot  
9 contributions and from a patron's winning pot at the  
10 table game he was working. Rivers terminated Mr.  
11 Zafuto's employment and he was criminally charged for  
12 his actions.

13                   At this time, the OEC requests the  
14 Board revoke the Gaming Employee Occupation Permit  
15 issued to Evan Zafuto.

16                   CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
17 May I have a motion, please?

18                   MR. DERMODY: Madam Chair,  
19 Commissioner Dermody moves that the Board approve the  
20 Revocation of Evan Zafuto's Gaming Employee  
21 Occupation Permit for the conduct described by the  
22 OEC.

23                   MR. DILLON: Commissioner Dillon  
24 seconds.

25                   CHAIR: All in favor?

1 (AYES RESPOND)

2 CHAIR: All opposed?

3 (NO RESPONSE)

4 CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

5 ATTORNEY PITRE: The remaining matters  
6 on the agenda consist of enforcement actions in which  
7 the OEC filed Petitions seeking the Involuntary  
8 Exclusion of individuals who are inimical to the  
9 interests of the Commonwealth and/or licensed gaming  
10 therein.

11 In each instance, the Petition for  
12 Exclusion has been filed with the Board's OHA and  
13 properly served upon the individual named in the  
14 Petition. The individual named in each Petition  
15 failed to respond within 30 days as required by Board  
16 regulation. As a result, the OEC filed a request for  
17 Default Judgment in each instance and properly served  
18 the same upon each individual.

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

1 Board's public website.

2                   Once again, in each matter, we will  
3 provide a brief summary of the facts and make a  
4 request for the appropriate Board action.

5                   ATTORNEY ROBERTS: Again, Andrea  
6 Roberts, Assistant Enforcement Counsel.

7                   The next matter on the agenda is a  
8 request to place Karon Griffin on the Involuntary  
9 Exclusion List. Mr. Griffin was present at Parx  
10 Casino when he dropped 48 counterfeit \$100 bills from  
11 his possession onto the casino floor. Parx  
12 permanently banned Mr. Griffin from their property as  
13 a result of this incident. Mr. Griffin was  
14 criminally charged for his actions.

15                   At this time, the OEC requests the  
16 Board place Karon Griffin on the Involuntary  
17 Exclusion List.

18                   CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
19 May I have a motion, please?

20                   MR. DILLON: Madam Chair, Commissioner  
21 Dillon moves that the Board approve the addition of  
22 Karon Griffin to the PGCB Involuntary Exclusion List  
23 for the conduct described by the OEC.

24                   MR. HICKERNELL: Commissioner  
25 Hickernell seconds.

1                   CHAIR: All in favor?

2 (AYES RESPOND)

3                   CHAIR: Commissioner Manzano-Díaz?

4                   MS. MANZANO-DÍAZ: I said aye.

5                   CHAIR: Oh, it didn't show up on the  
6 screen. Sorry.

7                   MS. MANZANO-DÍAZ: No, you're okay.

8                   CHAIR: Thank you. All opposed?

9 (NO RESPONSE)

10                  CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

11                  ATTORNEY ROBERTS: The next matter on  
12 the agenda is a request to place Jameson Hansen on  
13 the Involuntary Exclusion List. Mr. Hansen was  
14 present at Live! Casino and Hotel Philadelphia when  
15 he aided and abetted two underage individuals to  
16 enter the gaming floor. Live! permanently banned Mr.  
17 Hansen from their property as a result of this  
18 incident.

19                   At this time, the OEC requests the  
20 Board place Jameson Hansen on the Involuntary  
21 Exclusion List.

22                  CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
23 May I have a motion, please?

24                  MR. HICKERNELL: Madam Chair,  
25 Commissioner Hickernell moves that the Board approve

1 the addition of Jameson Hansen to the Pennsylvania  
2 Gaming Control Board's Involuntary Exclusion List for  
3 the conduct described by the OEC. I further move  
4 that Mr. Hansen shall be on the Involuntary Exclusion  
5 List for a period of one year, at which point he  
6 shall be automatically removed from the List.

7 MS. RALSTON: Commissioner Ralston  
8 seconds.

9 CHAIR: All in favor?  
10 (AYES RESPOND)

11 CHAIR: All opposed?  
12 (NO RESPONSE)

13 CHAIR: Motion carries.

14 ATTORNEY ROBERTS: The next matter on  
15 the agenda is a request to place Daniel Jones on the  
16 Involuntary Exclusion List. Mr. Jones was present at  
17 Live! Casino and Hotel Philadelphia when he stole  
18 \$9,500 worth of value checks from a dealer's float.  
19 Mr. Jones then ran out of the casino. Live!  
20 permanently banned Mr. Jones from their property. As  
21 a result of this incident, Mr. Jones was criminally  
22 charged for his actions.

23 At this time, the OEC requests the  
24 Board place Daniel Jones on the Involuntary Exclusion  
25 List.

1                   CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
2 May I have a motion, please?

3                   MR. DILLON: Madam Chair, Commissioner  
4 Dillon moves that the Board approve the addition of  
5 Daniel Jones to the PGCB Involuntary Exclusion List  
6 for the conduct described by the OEC.

7                   MS. RALSTON: Commissioner Ralston  
8 seconds.

9                   CHAIR: All in favor?  
10 (AYES RESPOND)

11                   CHAIR: All opposed?  
12 (NO RESPONSE)

13                   CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

14                   ATTORNEY SANCHEZ: Again, Juan Sanchez  
15 with the OEC. The next matter on the agenda for the  
16 Board's consideration is a request to place Cameron  
17 Starr on the Involuntary Exclusion List.

18                   Mr. Starr was found to be in  
19 possession of a controlled substance and overdosed  
20 while playing slot machines at Live! Casino  
21 Pittsburgh. The incident required medical and casino  
22 staff intervention. Mr. Starr became combative with  
23 staff and emergency responders after he was revived.

24                   Pennsylvania State Police arrested Mr.  
25 Starr and charged him with felony and misdemeanor



1 offenses. Mr. Starr pleaded guilty to resisting  
2 arrest, misdemeanor of the second degree, possession  
3 of a controlled substance - misdemeanor and two  
4 counts of simple assault misdemeanor of the second  
5 degree in relation to the incident.

6 The OEC now requests that the Board  
7 place Cameron Starr on the Involuntary Exclusion  
8 List.

9 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
10 May I have a motion, please?

11 MS. RALSTON: Commissioner Ralston  
12 moves that the Board approve the addition of Cameron  
13 Starr to the PGCB Involuntary Exclusion List for the  
14 conduct Described by the OEC.

15 MS. REGAN: Commissioner Regan  
16 seconds.

17 CHAIR: All in favor?  
18 (AYES RESPOND)

19 CHAIR: All opposed?  
20 (NO RESPONSE)

21 CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

22 ATTORNEY SANCHEZ: The next matter on  
23 the agenda for the Board's consideration is a request  
24 to placed Kyle Tracy on the Interactive gaming  
25 Involuntary Exclusion List. Mr. Tracy created

1 multiple accounts on the BetMGM Interactive Gaming  
2 platform using the personal identifying information  
3 of various other individuals engaged interactive  
4 gaming with bonus money issued to the accounts  
5 without deposit.

6 All the accounts were closed and the  
7 devices were blocked by BetMGM. No criminal charges  
8 were filed. The OEC now requests that the Board  
9 place Kyle Tracy on the Interactive Gaming  
10 Involuntary Exclusion List.

11 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
12 May I have a motion, please?

13 MS. REGAN: Madam Chair, Commissioner  
14 Regan moves that the Board approve the addition of  
15 Kyle Tracy to the PGCB Involuntary Interactive Gaming  
16 Exclusion List for the conduct described by the OEC.

17 MR. DERMODY: Commissioner Dermody  
18 seconds.

19 CHAIR: All in favor?  
20 (AYES RESPOND)

21 CHAIR: Commissioner Manzano-Díaz, we  
22 couldn't hear you.

23 MS. MANZANO-DÍAZ: Aye.

24 CHAIR: Thank you. All opposed?  
25 (NO RESPONSE)

1                   CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

2                   ATTORNEY SANCHEZ: The next matter on  
3 the agenda for the Board's consideration is a request  
4 to place Albert Weitzman on the Interactive Gaming  
5 Involuntary Exclusion List.

6                   Mr. Weitzman created multiple accounts  
7 on the Unibet Interactive Gaming platform using the  
8 personal identifying information of other individuals  
9 to game with gameplay funded through casino bonus  
10 incentives. All of the accounts were closed and the  
11 devices used were blocked by Unibet. No criminal  
12 charges were filed. The OEC now requests that the  
13 Board place Albert Weitzman on the Interactive Gaming  
14 Involuntary Exclusion List.

15                   CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
16 May I have a motion, please?

17                   MR. DERMODY: Madam Chair,  
18 Commissioner Dermody moves that the Board approve the  
19 addition of Albert Weitzman to the Pennsylvania  
20 Gaming Control Board's Involuntary Interactive Gaming  
21 Exclusion List for the conduct described by the OEC.

22                   MR. DILLON: Commissioner Dillon  
23 seconds.

24                   CHAIR: All in favor?

25 (AYES RESPOND)

1                   CHAIR: All opposed?

2 (NO RESPONSE)

3                   CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

4                   ATTORNEY ROLAND: Morning, Madam

5 Chair, Members of the Board, Michael Roland,

6 R-O-L-A-N-D, with the OEC. The next matter on the

7 agenda is a Petition to place Devon Alston on the

8 Involuntary Exclusion List.

9                   While present on the Live!

10 Philadelphia Casino gaming floor, Mr. Alston was

11 observed stealing a stack of gaming chips valued at

12 \$500 and fleeing the casino. Mr. Alston was

13 subsequently criminally charged for his actions. In

14 a separate incident, Mr. Alston was caught taking

15 approximately \$1,000 in gaming chips out of the float

16 of a table at Parx Casino. Mr. Alston was caught and

17 the gaming chips were returned. Mr. Alston was

18 criminally charged by the Pennsylvania State Police.

19                   At this time, the OEC requests that

20 the Board place Devon Alston on the Involuntary

21 Exclusion List.

22                   CHAIR: Any questions or comments?

23 May I have a motion, please?

24                   MR. DILLON: Madam Chair, Commissioner

25 Dillon moves that the Board approve the addition of

1 Devon Alston to the PGCB Involuntary Exclusion List  
2 for the conduct described by the OEC.

3 MR. HICKERNELL: Commissioner  
4 Hickernell seconds.

5 CHAIR: All in favor?  
6 (AYES RESPOND)

7 CHAIR: All opposed?  
8 (NO RESPONSE)

9 CHAIR: Motion carries.

10 ATTORNEY ROLAND: The next matter on  
11 the agenda is a request to place Crystal Clay on the  
12 Interactive Gaming Involuntary Exclusion List.

13 Ms. Clay created an interactive gaming  
14 account with Parx Casino's interactive wagering  
15 platform and deposited \$1,500 into the account. Ms.  
16 Clay's wagering activity resulted in her losing the  
17 entirety of the money she deposited. Subsequently,  
18 Ms. Clay failed or refused to pay \$1,500 that she  
19 owed to Parks Casino as a result of her gaming  
20 activity. Ms. Clay's interactive gaming account has  
21 been closed.

22 The OEC now requests that the Board  
23 place Crystal Clay on the Interactive Gaming  
24 Involuntary Exclusion List.

25 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?

1 May I have a motion, please?

2 MR. HICKERNELL: Madam Chair,  
3 Commissioner Hickernell moves that the Board approve  
4 the addition of Crystal Clay to the Pennsylvania  
5 Gaming Control Board's Involuntary Interactive Gaming  
6 Exclusion List for the conduct described by the OEC.

7 MS. REGAN: Commissioner Regan  
8 seconds.

9 CHAIR: All in favor?  
10 (AYES RESPOND)

11 CHAIR: All opposed?  
12 (NO RESPONSE)

13 CHAIR: Motion carries.

14 ATTORNEY ROLAND: The next matter on  
15 the agenda is a request to place Kristi Olsen on the  
16 Interactive Gaming Involuntary Exclusion List.

17 Ms. Olsen created and placed funds in  
18 nine separate accounts on the BetMGM Interactive  
19 Gaming website. All the accounts were linked to a  
20 single electronic device. Ms. Olsen used her own  
21 personal identifiable information to create four the  
22 accounts, and used other individuals personal  
23 identifiable information to create the other five  
24 accounts. Subsequently, Ms. Olsen failed or refused  
25 to pay \$5,978 that she owed to BetMGM as a result of

1 her gaming activity. All of the interactive gaming  
2 accounts associated with Ms. Olsen have been closed.

3 The OEC now requests that the Board  
4 place Kristi Olsen on the Interactive Gaming  
5 Involuntary Exclusion List.

6 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
7 May I have a motion, please?

8 MR. DERMODY: Madam Chair,  
9 Commissioner Dermody moves that the Board approve the  
10 addition of Kristi Olsen to the Pennsylvania Gaming  
11 Control Board's Involuntary Interactive Gaming  
12 Exclusion List for the conduct described by the OEC.

13 MS. RALSTON: Commissioner Ralston  
14 seconds.

15 CHAIR: All in favor?  
16 (AYES RESPOND)

17 CHAIR: All opposed?  
18 (NO RESPONSE)

19 CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

20 ATTORNEY ROLAND: The next matter on  
21 the agenda is a request to place Joseph Tinneney on  
22 the Interactive Gaming Involuntary Exclusion List.  
23 Mr. Tinneney created an interactive gaming account  
24 with the Parx Casino's interactive wagering platform  
25 and deposited \$7,069 into the account. Mr. Tinneney's

1   wagering activity resulted in him losing the entirety  
2   of the money which he deposited.   Subsequently, Mr.  
3   Tinneney failed or refused to pay \$6,375 that he owed  
4   to Parx Casino as a result of his gaming activity.  
5   Mr. Tinneney's interactive gaming account has been  
6   closed.

7                   The OEC now requests that the Board  
8   place Joseph Tinneney on the Interactive Gaming  
9   Involuntary Exclusion List.

10                  CHAIR:   Any questions or comments?  
11   May I have a motion, please?

12                  MS. RALSTON:   Commissioner Ralston  
13   moves that the Board approve the addition of Joseph  
14   Tinneney to the PGCB Involuntary Interactive Gaming  
15   Exclusion List for the conduct described by the OEC.

16                  MS. REGAN:   Commissioner Regan  
17   seconds.

18                  CHAIR:   All in favor?  
19   (AYES RESPOND)

20                  CHAIR:   All opposed?  
21   (NO RESPONSE)

22                  CHAIR:   Motion carries.

23                  ATTORNEY ROLAND:   The next matter on  
24   the agenda for the Board's consideration is the  
25   Petition to place Ha Tran on the Involuntary



1 Exclusion List.

2 While at Rivers Philadelphia, Mr. Tran  
3 was observed passing Match Play coupons to other  
4 players. The coupons were in the amounts of \$25, \$50  
5 and \$100 and were not issued in Ha Tran's name. It  
6 was discovered that Mr. Tran had at least 19 players  
7 who cooperated with him to wrongfully and/or  
8 fraudulently redeem Match Play coupons for his use.  
9 Mr. Tran was permanently evicted from the property.

10 At this time, the OEC requests that  
11 the Board place Ha Tran on the Involuntary Exclusion  
12 List.

13 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
14 May I have a motion, please?

15 MR. REGAN: Commissioner Regan moves  
16 that the Board approve the addition of Ha Tran to the  
17 PGCB Involuntary Exclusion List for the conduct  
18 described by the OEC.

19 MR. DERMODY: Commissioner Dermody  
20 seconds.

21 CHAIR: All in favor?

22 (AYES RESPOND)

23 CHAIR: All opposed?

24 (NO RESPONSE)

25 CHAIR: Motion carries.

1                    ATTORNEY ROLAND:    The next two matters  
2 on the agenda are related and are requests to place  
3 Bogdan Petrov and Maya Zinkova on the Involuntary  
4 Exclusion List.    And with the Board's permission, I  
5 will read one set of facts and then request that each  
6 individual be placed on the List.

7                    Mr. Petrov and Ms. Zinkova left their  
8 13-year old son in a hotel room inside Live!  
9 Philadelphia Casino while they went to the gaming  
10 floor and played table games.    The minor was  
11 unattended for approximately two hours.    The minor  
12 was discovered after another patron on the gaming  
13 floor heard the couple discussing the minor being  
14 alone in a hotel, and the patron reported the  
15 incident to Live! Philadelphia staff.    No criminal  
16 charges were filed.    However, both Mr. Petrov and Ms.  
17 Zinkova were permanently evicted from the property.

18                    The OEC requests that the Board place  
19 Bogdan Petrov on the Involuntary Exclusion List.

20                    CHAIR:    Any questions or comments?  
21 May I have a motion, please?

22                    MR. DERMODY:    Madam Chair,  
23 Commissioner Dermody moves that the Board deny OEC's  
24 request for the addition of Bogdan Petrov to the  
25 Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board's Involuntary

1 Exclusion List for the conduct described by the OEC.

2 MR. DILLON: Commissioner Dillon  
3 seconds.

4 CHAIR: All in favor?  
5 (AYES RESPOND)

6 CHAIR: All opposed?  
7 (NO RESPONSE)

8 CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

9 ATTORNEY ROLAND: Now, the OEC  
10 requests that the Board place Maya Zinkova on the  
11 Board's Involuntary Exclusion List.

12 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
13 May I have a motion, please?

14 MR. DILLON: Madam Chair, Commissioner  
15 Dillon moves that the Board deny OEC's request for  
16 the addition of Maya Zinkova to the PGCB Involuntary  
17 Exclusion List for the conduct described by the OEC.

18 MR. HICKERNELL: Commissioner  
19 Hickernell seconds.

20 CHAIR: All in favor?  
21 (AYES RESPOND)

22 CHAIR: All opposed?  
23 (NO RESPONSE)

24 CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

25 ATTORNEY CROHE: John Crohe once

1 again, for the OEC. The next matter on the agenda  
2 for the Board's consideration is a Petition to place  
3 Jahaur Killliebrew on the Interactive Gaming  
4 Involuntary Exclusion List.

5 Jahaur Killliebrew created eight  
6 accounts on the Barstool Sportsbook platform using  
7 the personal identifying information of other  
8 individuals and funded those accounts with credit  
9 cards belonging to other individuals, then withdrew  
10 funds from those accounts into his own personal  
11 banking account. The OEC now requests that the Board  
12 place Jahaur Killliebrew on the Interactive Gaming  
13 Involuntary Exclusion List.

14 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
15 May I have a motion, please?

16 MR. HICKERNELL: Madam Chair,  
17 Commissioner Hickernell moves the Board approve the  
18 addition of Jahaur Killliebrew to the Pennsylvania  
19 Gaming Control Boards Involuntary Interactive Gaming  
20 Exclusion List for the conduct described by the OEC.

21 MS. RALSTON: Commissioner Ralston  
22 seconds.

23 CHAIR: All in favor?  
24 (AYES RESPOND)

25 CHAIR: All opposed?

1 (NO RESPONSE)

2 CHAIR: Motion carries.

3 ATTORNEY CROHE: The next matter on  
4 the agenda for the Board's consideration is the  
5 Petition to place Tucupita Marcano on the Involuntary  
6 Exclusion List and the Interactive Gaming Involuntary  
7 Exclusion List.

8 Mr. Marcano placed 131 separate wagers  
9 on the FanDuel Sports Wagering Platform on Major  
10 League Baseball offerings while actively rostered on  
11 the Pittsburgh Pirates Major League Baseball team.  
12 Board regulations expressly prohibit an athlete from  
13 participating in sports wagering on sporting events  
14 in the sport or league in which the person is  
15 involved.

16 The OEC now requests that the Board  
17 place Tucupita Marcano on the Involuntary Exclusion  
18 List as well as the Interactive Exclusion Gaming  
19 Involuntary Exclusion List.

20 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
21 May I have a motion, please?

22 MR. DILLON: Madam Chair, Commissioner  
23 Dillon moves that the Board approve the addition of  
24 Tucupita Marcano to the PGCB Involuntary Interactive  
25 Gaming Exclusion List for the conduct described by

1 the OEC.

2 MS. RALSTON: Commissioner Ralston  
3 seconds.

4 CHAIR: All in favor?  
5 (AYES RESPOND)

6 CHAIR: All opposed?  
7 (NO RESPONSE)

8 CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

9 ATTORNEY CROHE: The next matter on  
10 the agenda for the Board's consideration is a  
11 Petition to place Naquon Pearson on the Interactive  
12 Gaming Involuntary Exclusion List.

13 Naquon Pearson created four accounts  
14 on the Barstool Sportsbook platform using the  
15 personal identifying information of other individuals  
16 and funded those accounts with credit cards belonging  
17 to other individuals, then withdrew funds from those  
18 accounts into his own personal banking account.

19 The OEC now requests that the Board  
20 place Naquon Pearson on the Interactive Gaming  
21 Involuntary Exclusion List.

22 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
23 May I have a motion, please?

24 MS. RALSTON: Commissioner Ralston  
25 moves that the Board approve the addition of Naquon

1 Pearson to the PGCB Involuntary Interactive Gaming  
2 Exclusion List for the conduct described by the OEC.

3 MS. REGAN: Commissioner Regan  
4 seconds.

5 CHAIR: All in favor?  
6 (AYES RESPOND)

7 CHAIR: All opposed?  
8 (NO RESPONSE)

9 CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

10 ATTORNEY MILLER: Good morning, Chair  
11 Smyler. Members of the Board, Dustin Miller on  
12 behalf of the OEC, M-I-L-L-E-R.

13 The next matter on the agenda is the  
14 request to place Dong Liao on the Involuntary  
15 Exclusion List.

16 Dong Liao was involved in a cheating  
17 scheme that took place at Live! Philadelphia Hotel  
18 and Casino. He benefited approximately \$55,660 to  
19 which he was not entitled and he was criminally  
20 charged related to that incident. He has been  
21 permanently evicted from Live! Philadelphia.

22 Additionally, he was caught  
23 downloading free slot play at Rivers Philadelphia  
24 Casino from various player accounts. He was cited  
25 for theft of services and evicted from Rivers

1 Philadelphia in that incident.

2 At this time, the OEC requests that  
3 the Board place Dong Liao on the Board's Involuntary  
4 Exclusion List.

5 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
6 May I have a motion, please?

7 MS. REGAN: Madam Chair, Commissioner  
8 Regan moves that the Board approve the addition of  
9 Dong Liao to the PGCB Involuntary Exclusion List for  
10 the conduct described by the OEC.

11 MR. DERMODY: Commissioner Dermody  
12 seconds.

13 CHAIR: All in favor?  
14 (AYES RESPOND)

15 CHAIR: All opposed?  
16 (NO RESPONSE)

17 CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

18 ATTORNEY KOLESAR: Good morning.  
19 Sarah Kolesar, K-O-L-E-S-A-R with the OEC. The next  
20 matter on the agenda for the Board's consideration is  
21 a request to place Latania Thompson on the Board's  
22 Involuntary Exclusion List.

23 Ms. Thompson was present at Live!  
24 Casino Philadelphia when she took a printed voucher  
25 that did not belong to her from a slot machine and



1 left the area. Ms. Thompson then cashed the voucher  
2 out at a ticket redemption unit and received \$298.48.  
3 After being confronted by casino personnel, Ms.  
4 Thompson failed to pay restitution. No criminal  
5 charges have been filed in this matter, but Ms.  
6 Thompson was permanently evicted from the premises.

7 At this time, OEC requests that the  
8 Board place Latania Thompson on the Board's  
9 Involuntary Exclusion List.

10 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?  
11 May I have a motion, please?

12 MR. DERMODY: Madam Chair,  
13 Commissioner Dermody moves that the Board approve the  
14 addition of Latania Thompson to the Pennsylvania  
15 Gaming Control Board's Involuntary Exclusion List for  
16 the conduct described by the OEC.

17 MR. DILLON: Commissioner Dillon  
18 seconds.

19 CHAIR: All in favor?

20 (AYES RESPOND)

21 CHAIR: All opposed?

22 (NO RESPONSE)

23 CHAIR: Motion's adopted.

24 ATTORNEY PITRE: Commissioner  
25 Hickernell, thank you for your service. Thank you

1 for all your support, and we wish you well and that  
2 concludes our business today.

3 CHAIR: Thank you, Cyrus and OEC. The  
4 last item on the agenda today is Public Comment. Is  
5 there anybody in the room that would like to address  
6 the Board?

7 Seeing no one, the next - that  
8 concludes today's meeting. The next public meeting  
9 of the Board will be held on Wednesday, April 23rd,  
10 2025, at 10:00 a.m. at this location. And now, may I  
11 please have a motion to adjourn?

12 MR. DILLON: Madam Chair, Commissioner  
13 Dillon moves to adjourn.

14 MR. HICKERNELL: Commissioner  
15 Hickernell seconds.

16 CHAIR: All in favor?  
17 (AYES RESPOND)

18 CHAIR: All opposed?  
19 (NO RESPONSE)

20 CHAIR: Motion carries. Meeting is  
21 adjourned. Thank you, everyone.

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23 MEETING CONCLUDED AT 11:48 A.M.

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## 1 CERTIFICATE

2 I hereby certify that the foregoing proceedings,  
3 held before Chair Smyler, was reported by me on March  
4 26, 2025, and that I, Daniel Powers, read this  
5 transcript, and that I attest that this transcript is  
6 a true and accurate record of the proceeding.

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8 Date the 15th day of April, 2025.

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