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GAMING CONTROL BOARD

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PUBLIC MEETING

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BEFORE: MEMBERS OF THE BOARD:

DENISE SMYLER, CHAIR

Frank Dermody

Shawn Dillon

George Dunbar

Christopher W. Huffman

Sara Manzano-Díaz (via phone)

Maria D. Quiñones-Sánchez

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS/DESIGNEES IN ATTENDANCE:

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Department of Agriculture

Jennifer Langan, Esquire, Designee,
Department of Treasury

Adria Zimmerman, Designee,
Department of Revenue

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BEFORE THE BOARD:

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- DAVID RHEN, Budget Director
- STEPHEN COOK, Chief Counsel
- ROBERT WOOD, Senior Counsel
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CHAIR: Good morning and Happy New Year. I'm Denise Smyler, Chair of the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board. I would like to ask everyone to please silence your cell phones and all electronic devices at this time. Before we begin today's meeting, I would like to introduce our newest Board member, Maria Quiñones-Sánchez.

Maria has been appointed by Governor Josh Shapiro and was sworn in on January 14th. Maria brings great experience with her to the Board. She is a proven leader, who has dedicated her 30 year career to public service in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Maria's public service career began as an aide in the office of Philadelphia Councilwoman Marian Tasco and included increasingly senior roles, including service as Deputy City Commissioner and as the Regional Director for the Puerto Rico Federal Affairs Administration.

Maria also helped, from a statewide Latino Coalition - form a statewide Latino Coalition focused on training Latino candidates to run for office, lobby Congress, to increase representation

1 and advocate for Latino issues.

2 In 2007, Maria was - made history as
3 the first Latina to be elected to Philadelphia City
4 Council, representing the 7th Council District.

5 While a member of City Council, she
6 served as Chair of the Council's Committee on
7 Appropriations and Education, cochaired with the
8 Council Special Committee on Poverty Reduction and
9 Prevention. And in 2021 was appointed to the
10 Philadelphia Tax Reform Working Group.

11 There is no doubt that Maria's
12 extensive history and experience and knowledge and
13 perspective will be a tremendous asset to this Board.
14 So please join me in welcoming Commissioner
15 Quiñones-Sánchez.

16 With seven Board members present this
17 morning, I'd like to now call today's meeting to
18 order.

19 And I would note for the record that
20 Commissioner Manzano-Díaz is participating by
21 telephone.

22 Sara, can you hear me?

23 MS. MANZANO-DÍAZ: Yes. Good morning,
24 Chair and good morning all. And I, too, would like
25 to welcome the new Commissioner, Maria

1 Quiñones-Sánchez. Thank you so much.

2 CHAIR: Thank you.

3 In addition to the seven Board
4 members, we also have our ex-officio members, Jorge
5 Augusto, representing Russell Redding, Secretary,
6 Department of Agriculture. Adria Zimmerman,
7 representing Pat Browne, Secretary of the Department
8 of Revenue and Jennifer Langan, representing Stacy
9 Garrity, State Treasurer. Thank you ex-officios for
10 joining us.

11 As the first order of business, I'd
12 like to ask everybody to please stand and join me in
13 recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

14 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED

15 CHAIR: By way of announcements, the
16 Board held an executive session yesterday, Tuesday,
17 February 3rd, to discuss personnel matters and to
18 conduct quasi-judicial deliberations relating to
19 matters coming before the Board.

20 Unfortunately, my second announcement
21 is made with some sadness, as this will be
22 Commissioner Dermody's last meeting with the Board.

23 Frank was - Frank was first
24 appointed -. Frank was first appointed to the Board
25 in February of 2021, and served as a great asset to

1 this body for the past five years.

2 As I'm sure many of you are aware,
3 prior to Frank's service with the Board, he was a
4 member of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives
5 for 29 years, including serving ten years as the
6 House Democratic leader. In that time, he played a
7 major role in shepherding the Pennsylvania Race Horse
8 Development and Gaming Act with the General Assembly
9 and his knowledge of the legislative intent of many
10 of its provisions has been invaluable to the Board on
11 numerous occasions.

12 I can personally attest to Frank's
13 incredible acumen as the House leader. In the face
14 of adversity and sometimes extremely difficult
15 circumstances, Frank managed to keep his caucus
16 united.

17 Under Frank's leadership, his members
18 took the high road and supported legislation that was
19 in the best interest of their constituents. I think
20 I speak for the entire Board, Frank, when I say that
21 you will surely be missed, not just for your
22 knowledge, but for your commonsense approach, your
23 decency, and especially for your sense of humor.

24 We do have a resolution prepared to
25 honor Commissioner Dermody's service, but before I

1 ask for a motion to adopt that resolution, I'd like
2 to give any of my fellow Board members an opportunity
3 to say a few words, if they so choose.

4 Commissioners Dillon.

5 MR. DILLON: Frank, it's been an
6 honor. I heard stories about you in Philly, and I've
7 heard of the legend of Frank Dermody. And I actually
8 had the pleasure of coming up here and working with
9 you. Wish you nothing but the best, pal.

10 MR. DERMODY: Thank you.

11 CHAIR: Commissioner Manzano-Díaz, do
12 you want to say a few words?

13 MS. MANZANO-DÍAZ: Sure.

14 Frank, I'm sorry I'm not there to meet
15 with you on your last day, but let me just say that
16 it has been such an honor and a privilege to work
17 with you. You are a class act and you have brought
18 so much positive energy to this Board. And I want to
19 thank you for being such a great colleague and
20 friend.

21 MR. DERMODY: Thank you, Sara.

22 CHAIR: Would anyone else like to say
23 anything?

24 Commissioner Dunbar.

25 MR. DUNBAR: Thank you, Madam Chair.

1 Frank it's been a pleasure. Honest, fair, hard
2 working, something that is definitely a short supply
3 up here sometimes. And in the last year here with
4 Frank, and ten years prior in the House we served
5 together on opposite sides of the aisle. And I can
6 honestly say honest, fair, hard working.

7 From someone across the other side of
8 the aisle, it's always been a pleasure. We'll miss
9 you.

10 MR. DERMODY: Thank you, George.

11 CHAIR: Okay. As I mentioned, we have
12 a resolution commemorating your service to the Board.
13 I'm not going to read it. Rather I simply call for a
14 motion on the resolution for Commissioner Dermody.

15 MR. DILLON: Madam Chair, Commissioner
16 Dillon moves that the Board approve the resolution
17 recognizing the service of Frank Dermody to the
18 Board.

19 MR. DUNBAR: Commissioner Dunbar
20 seconds.

21 CHAIR: All in favor?

22 AYES RESPOND

23 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion's
24 adopted.

25 Commissioner Dermody, would you like

1 to say a few words?

2 MR. DERMODY: I would, Madam Chair.

3 Thank you.

4 And I just want to thank everybody on
5 the Board, obviously, and you, Madam Chair, for your
6 leadership. And all of you, it's been an honor and a
7 pleasure to be working with you for these last five
8 years.

9 And I want to thank the staff, too,
10 because you've done a great job. You've always
11 treated me with dignity and respect. You've done a
12 tremendous job. And I appreciate that and appreciate
13 you. And I just thank all of you. It has been an
14 honor and a pleasure to serve with you and I'm sure
15 you'll do a great job. Good luck. Thank you, Madam
16 Chair.

17 CHAIR: Thank you, Commissioner.

18 Again, you will be sorely missed.
19 You're one of my favorite people.

20 MR. DERMODY: We've had - we've had
21 some fun over the years.

22 CHAIR: Yeah. Going back to 2015.

23 MR. DERMODY: That's right. Yeah.

24 Yeah, George, you're right. I mean,
25 we worked together in this, in the House. We're on

1 both - you know, not the same side of the aisle, but
2 we also work to make sure we can run the State. And
3 I appreciate working with you, there and here. Thank
4 you.

5 CHAIR: Okay. With that, we will
6 proceed with the agenda. I would like to now ask for
7 approval of the Board meeting Transcript and Minutes
8 from the October 22nd, 2025 meeting.

9 MR. DERMODY: Is that me?

10 CHAIR: That's you.

11 MR. DERMODY: Commissioner Dermody
12 moves that the Board approve the Minutes and
13 Transcript of the October 22nd, 2025 meeting.

14 MR. DILLON: Commissioner Dillon
15 seconds.

16 CHAIR: All in favor?

17 AYES RESPOND

18 CHAIR: All opposed?

19 The motion carries.

20 I would now like to ask for approval
21 of the Board Minute - meeting and - Transcript and
22 Minutes from the November 19th, 2025 meeting.

23 MR. DUNBAR: Madam Chair, Commissioner
24 Dunbar moves that the Board approve the Minutes and
25 Transcript of the November 19, 2025 meeting.

1 MR. HUFFMAN: Commissioner Huffman
2 seconds.

3 CHAIR: All in favor?

4 AYES RESPOND

5 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion's
6 adopted.

7 We will now hear from our Executive
8 Director, Kevin O'Toole.

9 Kevin?

10 MR. O'TOOLE: Good morning, Chair
11 Smyler. Good morning, members of the Board.

12 Before I begin my report this morning,
13 on behalf of myself and the staff, I'd like to
14 welcome Commissioner Maria Quiñones-Sánchez to the
15 Gaming Control Board. We look forward to working
16 with you, Maria.

17 For my report this morning, I would
18 like to comment once again on the continued growth of
19 gaming revenue, but also at how that growth benefits
20 the Local Share Assessment Program. The month of
21 December 2025 ended with continued positive growth of
22 gaming revenue from all sources regulated by the
23 Gaming Control Board.

24 Revenue generated in December 2025
25 totaled over \$616 million, which was 15.76 percent

1 higher than the revenue generated in December of
2 2024. Slot revenue at the 17 land-based casinos
3 declined 7.54 percent over the previous year. Table
4 game revenue had a slight increase of .28 percent
5 over the previous year.

6 However, given the fact that there
7 were five snow days this past December, these revenue
8 figures for slots and tables are better than they
9 appear.

10 Total gaming tax revenue generated
11 collectively through all forms of gaming and fantasy
12 sports contexts - contests exceeded \$255 million
13 during December of 2025.

14 Also, for the entire year of 2025,
15 gaming revenue totaled almost \$6.8 billion and the
16 gaming tax revenue totaled almost \$3 billion.

17 This was the fifth consecutive year
18 that gaming revenue showed a significant increase
19 over the prior year. This outstanding record of
20 increasing gaming revenue month over month by the
21 land-based casinos and the online casino operators
22 also means increased funding for local municipalities
23 and counties through the Local Share Assessment
24 Program.

25 The Local Share Assessment Program

1 assesses a two percent gaming tax on all of the
2 entities, both online and land-based. So, they
3 participate - online participates significantly in
4 the funding of Local Share Assessments.

5 More than \$50 million of grants were
6 awarded to Pennsylvania local municipalities and
7 counties in 2025, using Local Share Assessment funds.
8 A few - very few illustrations of grants that were
9 funded recently includes the following. In Lebanon
10 County, new fire department equipment was purchased
11 with LSA funds. In Swatara Township, LSA funds were
12 used to replace a quick response service vehicle for
13 the Buhner Hill Fire Company. In fact, whether we're
14 talking about voluntary fire departments or career
15 fire departments, Local Share grants assist
16 tremendously all fire departments with the ability to
17 acquire the newest and best equipment in a very
18 important profession.

19 In Westmoreland County, a grant was
20 awarded to the City of Greensburg to repair the
21 Robert A. Bell parking garage. This garage is a four
22 floor structure, with over 400 available parking
23 spots. Also in Westmoreland County, an allocation of
24 LSA funds will be used to purchase a distribution
25 truck for the county food bank.

1 So, those are just a very few
2 illustrations of the value of the Local Share
3 Assessment.

4 So, Pennsylvania's gaming industry
5 continues to deliver economic benefits from the
6 casino operators, beyond the creation of jobs and
7 economic development. Through the Local Share
8 Assessment, tax dollars are reinvested locally and
9 statewide to support safety, infrastructure and
10 community services.

11 Before I close, on behalf of myself
12 and the staff, I would also like to thank
13 Commissioner Frank Dermody for his outstanding
14 contribution to the Gaming Control Board for the past
15 five years. Thank you, Frank.

16 MR. DERMODY: Thank you.

17 MR. O'TOOLE: That's my report for
18 today, Chair.

19 CHAIR: Thank you, Kevin.

20 Next we will hear from the Director of
21 Budget, David Rhen.

22 MR. RHEN: Good morning, Chair - Chair
23 Smyler and Board members.

24 I'm here today to present a report of
25 expenditures for the first half of fiscal year

1 through December 31st.

2 Board expenses for the first half of
3 the fiscal year were \$26,496,000, comprising
4 \$23,645,000 in personnel expenses and \$2,851,000 in
5 operating expenses.

6 Compared to the prior year, personnel
7 expenses increased by \$1.1 million, while operating
8 expenses decreased by \$298,000, due to timing
9 differences in processing invoices.

10 Overall expenses for the first half of
11 the year were up \$819,000, or 3.2 percent. Payroll
12 costs of \$23.6 million included salary costs of \$14.1
13 million and benefit costs of 9.5 million. The
14 increase in personnel expenses is primarily
15 attributed to an increase in the employee count and
16 union negotiated raises.

17 Operating expenses through December
18 totaled \$2.9 million. The largest operating costs
19 included \$1.3 million for services, including IT
20 consulting expenses related to IT modernization
21 projects and interagency billings, \$696,000 for
22 rentals and leases, and \$580,000 for other operating
23 expenses, which primarily includes investigative
24 database services and Directors' and Officers'
25 insurance.

1 Overall expenditure trends for the
2 first half of the fiscal year indicate alignment with
3 our expectations.

4 That concludes my remarks.

5 CHAIR: Thank you. Any questions or
6 comments? Thank you, Dave.

7 Now we will hear from our Human
8 Resources Director, Heidi Zula.

9 Heidi.

10 MS. ZULA: Good morning, Madam Chair
11 and members of the Board. The Office of Human
12 Resources has one motion for your consideration today
13 relative to the ratification of the hiring of five
14 individuals.

15 Each individual was approved for hire
16 by the Executive Director and Personnel Committee
17 after having completed the background investigation
18 and drug screening.

19 As a result, each individual was
20 offered and accepted employment with the Board
21 between public meetings.

22 The five individuals recommended are
23 Bradley Gorter, as an Assistant Chief Counsel III
24 within the OCC; David Cimino, as an Assistant
25 Enforcement Counsel I, within the Office of

1 Enforcement Counsel (OEC); Kyle Cheshinski and
2 Victoria DeBernardis as Compliance Examiners in the
3 Bureau of Gaming Operations, and Edward Wenschhof, as
4 a Technical Field Representative at Happy Valley
5 Casino within the Bureau of Casino Compliance.

6 Unless you have any questions, I ask
7 that the Board consider a motion to ratify the hiring
8 of these individuals.

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

11 MR. DILLON: Madam Chair,
12 Commissioner Dillon moves that the Board approve
13 ratification of employment offers to the applicants
14 for hire, as proposed by the Human Resources
15 Director.

16 MR. DUNBAR: Commissioner Dunbar
17 seconds.

18 CHAIR: All in favor?

19 AYES RESPOND

20 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion's
21 adopted.

22 MS. ZULA: Thank you.

23 CHAIR: Thank you, Heidi.

24 Next is our Office of Chief Counsel
25 (OCC).

1 ATTORNEY COOK: Good morning. Our
2 first agenda item relates to Final-Omitted
3 Rulemaking, which Senior Counsel Robert Wood will
4 present.

5 ATTORNEY WOOD: Good morning Madam
6 Chair, Members of the Board.

7 This morning I have the one item for
8 the Board's consideration, that being Final-Omitted
9 Rulemaking #125-259.

10 The updates of this Final-Omitted
11 Rulemaking ensure that the Board's regulation,
12 especially those referencing federal tax policies,
13 remain consistent with federal tax rules and policies
14 issued by the Internal Revenue Service.

15 This matter is appropriate for
16 Final-Omitted - for the Final-Omitted Rulemaking
17 process as public comments are not necessary for the
18 regulatory revisions within this package as it seeks
19 to maintain parity that previously existed.

20 Maintenance of nonconflict of laws
21 remains in the public interest, and this rulemaking
22 ensures that we continue to not conflict with the
23 federal government on their tax policy.

24 Finally, those who are most affected
25 by this, that being the regulated industry, have

1 received notice from us of our interpretation of our
2 regulation being in parity with the W-2G standard and
3 this regulatory revision again maintains that
4 standard.

5 Prior to this morning's meeting, a
6 copy of these rulemaking materials were provided to
7 the Board. If there are any questions, I am happy to
8 address them this morning, but if not, I'd ask a
9 motion to approve Final-Omitted Rulemaking #125-259.

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

12 MR. DUNBAR: Madam Chair,
13 Commissioner Dunbar moves that the Board adopt
14 Final-Omitted Rulemaking #125-259 regarding the slot
15 jackpot regulation update linked to the IRS W-2G
16 threshold as described by the OCC.

17 MR. HUFFMAN: Commissioner Huffman
18 seconds.

19 CHAIR: All in favor?

20 AYES RESPOND

21 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion's
22 adopted.

23 MR. WOOD: Thank you.

24 ATTORNEY COOK: Today we have one
25 Petition for the Board, a request of an individual to

1 be removed from the Self-Exclusion List. This matter
2 will be heard on the documents as the OEC does not
3 object to the requested of relief.

4 The Board has, in advance of this
5 meeting been provided with all the documents filed of
6 record prior to today.

7 By way of background, an individual
8 with the initials D.R. placed herself on the
9 Self-Exclusion List on September 27th, 2015, choosing
10 the lifetime self-exclusion option.

11 On October 31st, 2025, D.R. filed a
12 request for removal from the List, stating that when
13 she self-excluded it was not due to a gambling
14 problem but due to a stressful job causing her to
15 overindulge, and that she's now capable of being a
16 responsible recreational gambler.

17 D.R. submitted the required Problem
18 Gambling Assessment Verification Form signed by a
19 Certified Assessment Provider, indicating that an
20 assessment of D.R. was performed and that problem
21 gambling treatment was not recommended.

22 As I indicated, the OEC filed an
23 Answer, stating it has no objection to D.R.'s request
24 as it's been over ten years since her placement on
25 the List. She has submitted all the required

1 documentation and has had no violations of her
2 self-exclusion. And this matter is now ready for the
3 Board's consideration.

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

6 MR. HUFFMAN: Madam Chair,
7 Commissioner Huffman moves that the Board grant
8 D.R.'s Petition for Removal from the casino Self-
9 Exclusion List as described by the OCC.

10 MR. DERMODY: Commissioner Dermody,
11 seconds.

12 CHAIR: All in favor?

13 AYES RESPOND

14 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion passes.

15 ATTORNEY COOK: The next matter before
16 the Board today pertains to several unopposed
17 Petitions to Withdraw the Applications or Surrender
18 the Credentials of the following individuals and
19 entities: Robert Geschine; Brian Chang; Duke Merger
20 Sub, Inc.; Gulf Merger Sub, Inc.; Michael Daly;
21 Pierre Raoul de Cartier de Marchienne; Boxview
22 Limited; Massif Trust; Bingo Merger Sub, Inc.; Rachel
23 Barber; Thomas Gray; Alexandre Gonthier; John Gibson;
24 Assaf Einat; Lionel Schipper; James Holmes and
25 Jeffrey Quicksilver.

1 The OEC has no objection by way of
2 these Withdrawals or Surrenders. As a result, if the
3 Board grant same, they'd be doing so without
4 prejudice to each of these parties. This matter is
5 now ready for the Board's consideration.

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 issue Orders to approve
10 the Withdrawals and Surrenders as described by the
11 OCC.

12 MS. QUIÑONES-SÁNCHEZ: Commissioner
13 Quiñones-Sánchez seconds.

14 CHAIR: All in favor?

15 AYES RESPOND

16 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion's
17 adopted.

18 ATTORNEY COOK: Next before the Board
19 for consideration are nine Reports and
20 Recommendations received from the Office of Hearings
21 and Appeals (OHA). These Reports and
22 Recommendations, along with the evidentiary record
23 for each hearing, have been provided to the Board in
24 advance of this meeting.

25 Additionally, the persons involved

1 have each been notified that the Board will be
2 considering their matter today, and they have - that
3 they have the ability to come forward and briefly
4 address the Board.

5 If any of these persons are present
6 and would like to address the Board, they should come
7 forward when their name is called.

8 The first Report and Recommendation
9 before the Board today pertains to Dre'Von Darby. In
10 February of 2025, Mr. Darby submitted his application
11 for a Non-Gaming Employee Registration to work as an
12 EVS Attendant at Rivers Philadelphia Casino.

13 On April 29, 2025, the OEC issued a
14 Notice of Recommendation of Denial of Mr. Darby's
15 application, based upon a 2024 theft charge in New
16 Jersey.

17 A hearing in this matter was held on
18 October 23rd, 2025. The OEC appeared, offering
19 evidence, both testimonial and documentary. Mr.
20 Darby also appeared and testified on his own behalf.

21 The evidence and testimony presented
22 at the hearing showed that Mr. Darby had failed to
23 disclose his arrest on his application and during the
24 Board's background investigation of Mr. Darby it was
25 discovered that he been charged after allegedly

1 stealing nine Apple watches while working at an
2 Amazon Distribution Center.

3 After being questioned by BIE about
4 his arrest, Mr. Darby amended his application to
5 include theft charge, stating that someone had framed
6 him for placing the merchandise in his backpack.

7 Mr. Darby had worked at Amazon for
8 between seven and eight years without any problems
9 prior to this theft.

10 Notwithstanding the statements made on
11 his amended application, during Mr. Darby's testimony
12 at the hearing in this matter, he took full
13 responsibility for the theft, stating it was stupid
14 and that he had never been in trouble with law
15 before, had never been terminated before, regrets his
16 actions and he apologized for his behavior.

17 He further stated that he's a good
18 person and a hard worker, yet would understand why
19 someone would be leery of hiring him with theft
20 charges pending against him.

21 Following the hearing, a Report and
22 Recommendation was issued recommending that Mr.
23 Darby's Non-Gaming Employee Registration Application
24 be denied. And this matter is now ready for Board's
25 consideration.

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

3 MS. QUIÑONES-SÁNCHEZ: Madam Chair,
4 Commissioner Quiñones-Sánchez moves that the Board
5 adopt the Report and Recommendations issued by the
6 OHA as described by the OCC and that Dre'Von Darby's
7 Non-Gaming Employee Registration Application be
8 denied.

9 MR. DERMODY: Commissioner Dermody
10 seconds.

11 CHAIR: All in favor?

12 AYES RESPOND

13 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion's
14 adopted.

15 ATTORNEY COOK: Next before the Board
16 is Jessica Showalter's Report and Recommendation.

17 In February of 2025, Ms. Showalter
18 submitted her application for a Video Gaming Terminal
19 Gaming Employee Occupation Permit.

20 In May of 2025, the OEC issued a
21 Notice recommending denial of Ms. Showalter's
22 application based upon her criminal record.

23 A hearing in this matter was held on
24 October 1st, 2025. OEC appeared, offering testimony
25 - testimonial and documentary evidence. Ms.

1 Showalter also appeared and testified on her own
2 behalf.

3 The evidence and testimony presented
4 at the hearing showed that between 2017 and 2022 Ms.
5 Showalter had been charged with drug-related
6 offenses, misdemeanor harassment, resisting arrest,
7 false reports to law enforcement, criminal attempt to
8 escape and felony insurance fraud.

9 Ms. Showalter testified that she was
10 addicted to drugs between 2016 and 2023 and that is
11 when all of her criminal conduct occurred. She
12 stated during her testimony that she has now
13 completed both an inpatient and outpatient drug
14 treatment program and attends Narcotics Anonymous on
15 a regular basis.

16 She further testified that she is
17 approaching and actually has now reached her three
18 years of sobriety and put into the record her chip
19 for - for that accomplishment.

20 Ms. Showalter has three children for
21 which she lost custody during her drug addiction and
22 criminal behavior, but has since regained custody of
23 two of those children. She is currently working for
24 Rutter's and has been offered an Assistant Manager
25 position, which requires that she hold a VGT Permit.

1 After hearing all the evidence
2 presented, a Report and Recommendation was issued
3 recommending that Ms. Showalter's application be
4 granted or in the alternative allow her to reapply
5 after one year has elapsed from the Board denial of
6 her application.

7 The OEC filed Exceptions to that
8 Report and Recommendation, arguing that it was not
9 appropriate, given the recency of her criminal
10 conduct.

11 Before the Board votes on this matter
12 today, I, however, as previously approved by the
13 Chair, I'd like to read into the record a letter
14 received from Ms. Showalter that she has requested be
15 read into the record.

16 To Whom it May Concern: Hello, my
17 name is Maria - or Jessica Marie Showalter. I am
18 scheduled to meet with the Board on January 28th,
19 2026, the rescheduled meeting, concerning my Video
20 Gaming Terminal Permit. I am unable to attend in
21 person due to caring for my sister, who is paralyzed
22 and needs 24/7 care.

23 As I understand completely the
24 concerns of the OEC, but as of three - as of three
25 years ago on January 9th, 2023, I started my journey

1 into recovery and actually picked up my three-year
2 coin on January 14th, 2026.

3 I was in active addiction for about
4 eight to nine years and I have a lot of mistake -
5 made a lot of mistakes during that time, which I hold
6 myself accountable for. My felony charge happened
7 during my active addiction in 2022. However, I did
8 not plead guilty to it until February of 2024.

9 I received two years of probation with
10 no jail time due to all the strides I've made since
11 being released from rehabilitation in 2023, and I
12 have not had any trouble since getting sober. I now
13 hold primary custody of my two sons, as well as a
14 sister, who is completely paralyzed from the neck
15 down for whom I care at home.

16 I stay involved in Narcotics Anonymous
17 and I also have a sponsor I'm in contact with
18 frequently. I'm not the same person I was three
19 years ago. I'm making every strive to better myself
20 every single day.

21 I, Jessica Showalter, respectfully ask
22 the Board to approve my Permit so I can continue
23 bettering my children and my own life. Your time
24 today has been greatly appreciated. Sincerely,
25 Jessica Showalter.

1 This matter is now ready for the
2 Board's consideration.

3 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?

4 AYES RESPOND

5 CHAIR: May I have a motion, please?

6 MR. DERMODY: Madam Chair,

7 Commissioner Dermody moves that the Board adopt the
8 Report and Recommendation issued by the OHA as
9 described by the OCC and that Jessica Showalter's VGT
10 Employee Permit Application be granted, subject to
11 the special condition, which will be outlined in the
12 Board's Order.

13 MR. DILLON: Commissioner Dillon
14 seconds.

15 CHAIR: All in favor?

16 AYES RESPOND

17 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion's
18 adopted.

19 ATTORNEY COOK: Emma Derck's Report
20 and Recommendation is next before the Board. Ms.
21 Derck was issued a Gaming Employee Occupation Permit
22 to work in the position of a Cage Cashier at Live!
23 Casino Pittsburgh.

24 On September 15, 2025, the OEC filed a
25 Complaint for an Emergency Suspension of Ms. Derck's

1 permit, after receiving notice that she'd been
2 criminally charged with felony and misdemeanor
3 offenses.

4 As a result of these charges, the
5 Board's Executive Director issued an Emergency
6 Suspension suspending Ms. Derck's permit.

7 A hearing in this matter was held on
8 October 29th, 2025. OEC appeared and presented
9 evidence. Ms. Derck also appeared pro se and
10 testified on her own behalf.

11 Evidence and testimony show that Ms.
12 Derck allegedly took a washing machine, a dryer and a
13 stove out of a rental property she was leasing and
14 that she also damaged the property.

15 During Ms. Derck's testimony, she
16 denied the allegations and indicated she would be
17 going to trial on the criminal charges. She further
18 stated that she does not want to lose her permit or
19 the ability to work in casinos.

20 Following the hearing, a Report and
21 Recommendation was issued, recommending that the
22 Emergency Suspension of Ms. Derck's permit remain in
23 place, given the pendency of felony criminal charges
24 against her. And that's the recommendation before
25 the Board today.

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 adopt the Report and
5 Recommendation issued by the OHA as described by the
6 OCC and that the suspension of Emma Derck's Gaming
7 Employee Occupation Permit remain in effect.

8 MR. DUNBAR: Commissioner Dunbar
9 seconds.

10 CHAIR: All in favor?

11 AYES RESPOND

12 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion passes.

13 ATTORNEY COOK: Next before the Board
14 is Lan Schiffbauer's Report and Recommendation.

15 On May 9th, 2024, the OEC filed a
16 Petition to place Lan Schiffbauer on the Board's
17 Involuntary Exclusion List.

18 After several continuances, two
19 hearings were held in this matter. However, on both
20 occasions, Ms. Schiffbauer failed to appear.

21 Relevant evidence presented by the OEC
22 in this matter at the hearings showed that in
23 addition to leaving her child unattended on two other
24 occasions in 2023, Ms. Schiffbauer cheated while
25 gaming at Hollywood Casino at The Meadows, winning

1 money she was not entitled to receive.

2 She did make restitution of both of
3 those instances and no charges were filed against
4 her.

5 After the hearing, a Report and
6 Recommendation was issued, recommending that Ms.
7 Schiffbauer be placed on the Board's Involuntary
8 Exclusion List, both for leaving her child unattended
9 and on the cheating episodes. And that's the
10 recommendation before the Board.

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

13 MR. DUNBAR: Madam Chair, Commissioner
14 Dunbar moves that the Board adopt the Report and
15 Recommendation issued by the OHA as described by the
16 OCC and that Lan Schiffbauer be placed on the Board's
17 Involuntary Exclusion List.

18 MR. HUFFMAN: Commissioner Huffman
19 seconds.

20 CHAIR: All in favor?

21 AYES RESPOND

22 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion carries.

23 ATTORNEY COOK: The next four Reports
24 and Recommendations pertain to Petitions from
25 self-excluded individuals requesting that monies

1 confiscated from them be returned.

2 In each case the person was found to
3 be gaming while still on the Self-Exclusion List. As
4 the Board is aware, when self-excluded persons are
5 found in Pennsylvania casinos, the Act dictates that
6 any winnings possessed by that person can be
7 confiscated from him or her and used to support
8 Compulsive and Problem Gambling Programs.

9 Because each of these persons were
10 participants in the Self-Exclusion Program, they're
11 identified by their initials alone.

12 The first Report and Recommendation
13 regarding a request to recover funds confiscated
14 while on the Self-Exclusion List pertains to an
15 individual with the initials C.C.

16 By way of background, on
17 November 30th, 2024, C.C. placed himself on the
18 Self-Exclusion List for a one year period.

19 On June 15, 2025, C.C. entered Rivers
20 Casino Pittsburgh, gamed, and when staff began to pay
21 him out for certain winnings, it was determined that
22 he was on the Self-Exclusion List and \$4,601.50 was
23 confiscated from him.

24 On June 17, 2025, C.C. filed a
25 Petition requesting recovery of the monies

1 confiscated from him, stating he believed he excluded
2 himself from only interactive gaming.

3 The OEC filed an Answer, objecting to
4 C.C.'s request in part, stating that C.C. was, in
5 fact, self-excluded from casino gaming.

6 Nevertheless, OEC took the position
7 that he was still entitled to recover \$400 of the
8 confiscated amount, stating that was the amount of
9 his buy-in and was not reflective of winnings.

10 A hearing in this matter was held on
11 November 13th, 2025. Despite receiving proper
12 notice, C.C. failed to appear.

13 The OEC did appear and presented
14 evidence in support of its position.

15 And following the hearing, a Report
16 and Recommendation was issued, recommending that
17 C.C.'s Petition be granted and that \$400 - in part -
18 and that \$400 be returned to him. This matter's now
19 ripe for the Board's consideration.

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

22 MR. HUFFMAN: Madam Chair,
23 Commissioner Huffman moves that the Board adopt the
24 Report and Recommendation issued by the OHA as
25 described by the OCC and that \$400 be returned to

1 C.C. I further move this matter be placed under
2 seal, as it involves a self-excluded individual.

3 MR. DUNBAR: Commissioner Dunbar
4 seconds.

5 CHAIR: All in favor?

6 AYES RESPOND

7 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion's
8 adopted.

9 ATTORNEY COOK: The next Report and
10 Recommendation before the Board today stems from a
11 request to recover funds confiscated from an
12 individual with the initials D.Z.

13 The uncontested facts are that on
14 June 15th, 2011, D.Z. completed all of the necessary
15 self-exclusion paperwork choosing the one year
16 exclusion period, and acknowledged that he had to
17 request removal after the one year period in order to
18 be removed from the List.

19 On June 18th, 2025, D.Z. appeared or
20 entered Rivers Casino Philadelphia and gamed prior to
21 staff identifying him as a self-excluded person and
22 confiscating \$973 in chips.

23 On June 20, 2025, D.Z. filed his
24 Petition requesting that the monies confiscated from
25 him be returned, stating that he was not told at the

1 time of enrollment that he could not game at every
2 casino in the state. In other words, he thought he
3 was only excluded from one casino. And he also did
4 not know that he had to request removal from his
5 exclusion - from the Exclusion List after the one
6 year expired.

7 Notwithstanding that assertion, it is
8 noteworthy that approximately one month prior to the
9 incident in question, D.Z. was actually found to be
10 gaming at the Parx Casino and was charged with
11 criminal trespass because he was identified as
12 self-excluded.

13 A hearing in this matter was held on
14 November 5th, 2025. D.Z. failed to appear. OEC
15 appeared and made a motion to dismiss D.Z.'s
16 Petition, but acknowledged that D.Z. was owed \$28
17 from the monies confiscated, as that was his buy-in
18 amount.

19 Thereafter, a Report and
20 Recommendation was issued, recommending that D.Z.'s
21 Petition to Recover Funds be denied in total.

22 The OCC takes the position that it
23 should be denied in part, but he should recover the
24 \$28. And this matter is now ripe for the Board's
25 consideration.

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 adopt, in part, the
5 Report and Recommendation issued by the OHA as
6 described by the OCC and grant in part D.Z.'s
7 Petition to Recover Monies confiscated from him while
8 on a Self-Exclusion List, and that \$28 be returned to
9 D.Z.

10 I further move that this matter be
11 placed under seal as it involves a self-excluded
12 individual.

13 MS. QUIÑONES-SÁNCHEZ: Commissioner
14 Quiñones-Sánchez seconds.

15 CHAIR: It's a transition time. All
16 in favor?

17 AYES RESPOND

18 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion carries.

19 ATTORNEY COOK: J.O.'s Report and
20 Recommendation is next before the Board.

21 On April 18th, 2025, J.O. filed a
22 Petition requesting recovery of funds confiscated
23 from him.

24 OEC filed an Answer objecting in part
25 to the request.

1 And a hearing in this matter was held
2 on October 29th, 2025.

3 The OEC and J.O. both appeared,
4 putting evidence into the record.

5 The evidence presented at the hearing
6 showed that on January 2nd, 2012, J.O. met with an
7 employee of the Board's Bureau of Casino Compliance,
8 filled out and signed the Exclusion Forms, choosing a
9 one year self-exclusion period.

10 On April 10th and 11th, 2025, J.O. was
11 on the Gaming Floor at Wind Creek Bethlehem for over
12 seven hours and engaged in slots play, eventually
13 winning a \$1,604 jackpot.

14 When he went to cash out the jackpot,
15 J.O. was identified as self-excluded and the jackpot,
16 along with \$49.25 in additional credits were
17 confiscated from him.

18 J.O. testified that he placed himself
19 on the List in 2012 because he had been losing money
20 gambling, but that he did not have a gambling
21 problem. He stated that he was told he would be
22 excluded for one year and then could return to the
23 casino. So, he was surprised that 13 years later he
24 was told he was trespassing.

25 Following the hearing, a Report and

1 Recommendation was issued, recommending that J.O.'s
2 request to recover money be granted in part and that
3 he be permitted to recover \$49.25, the value of the
4 credits remaining on the slot machine after his
5 jackpot was confiscated. And this matter is now ripe
6 for the Board's consideration.

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

9 MS. QUIÑONES-SÁNCHEZ: Madam Chair,
10 Commissioner Quiñones-Sánchez moves that given the
11 unique circumstances of this matter the Board reject
12 the Report and Recommendation issued by the OHA as
13 described by the OCC and to grant J.O.'s Petition to
14 Recover Monies confiscated from him while on the
15 Self-Exclusion List, and that \$1,653.25 be returned
16 to J.O.

17 I further move that this matter be
18 placed under seal as it involves a self-excluded
19 individual.

20 MR. DERMODY: Commission Dermody
21 seconds.

22 CHAIR: All in favor?

23 AYES RESPOND

24 CHAIR: All opposed? The motion
25 passes.

1 ATTORNEY COOK: The final Report and
2 Recommendation pertain to confiscated funds involving
3 a self-excluded individual - still one more before -
4 after this - involves an individual with the initials
5 W.S.

6 On February 12th, 2025, W.S. filed a
7 Petition requesting recovery of funds confiscated
8 from him.

9 OEC filed an Answer, objecting in part
10 to the request.

11 And a hearing in this matter was held
12 on July 24th, 2025.

13 Both Enforcement Counsel and W.S.
14 appeared at the hearing and presented evidence.

15 The evidence presented showed that on
16 January 25th, 2024, an individual with the initials
17 W.S. completed all the necessary self-exclusion
18 paperwork, chose the one year period of
19 self-exclusion and acknowledged that he had to
20 request removal from the one year - from the List
21 after the one year expired.

22 On February 6th, 2025, W.S. entered
23 Hollywood Casino at Penn National, gamed and won
24 \$1,447.50 on a slot machine.

25 The jackpot amount, along with \$699.30

1 in credits were thereafter confiscated from W.S., as
2 he was identified as self-excluded.

3 During W.S.'s testimony, he stated
4 that OEC's testimony was accurate. He acknowledged
5 that he was wrong and apologized. He further stated
6 that he believed he'd removed himself from the List
7 prior to going to Hollywood Casino that day, that he
8 must not have taken all of the necessary steps to do
9 so online.

10 W.S. also testified that he had
11 previously been on the Self-Exclusion List and
12 removed himself successfully, but did not recall how
13 he did it.

14 After hearing all the testimony and
15 evidence presented, a Report and Recommendation was
16 issued, recommending that W.S.'s request to recover
17 monies be granted in part and that he be permitted to
18 recover the \$699.30 identified not as jackpot but as
19 buy-in. And this matter is now ripe for the Board's
20 consideration.

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

23 MR. DERMODY: Madam Chair,
24 Commissioner Dermody moves that the Board adopt the
25 Report and Recommendation issued by the OHA as

1 described by the OCC and grant in part W.S.'s
2 Petition to Recover Monies confiscated from him while
3 on the Self-Exclusion List and that \$699.30 be
4 returned to W.S.

5 I further move that this matter be
6 placed under seal as it involves a self-excluded
7 individual.

8 MR. DILLON: Commissioner Dillon
9 seconds.

10 CHAIR: All in favor?

11 AYES RESPOND

12 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion's
13 adopted.

14 ATTORNEY COOK: Bobby Patton is the
15 final Report and Recommendation before the Board
16 today.

17 In June 2025, Mr. Patton filed a
18 Petition to Recover Funds confiscated from him by
19 Live! Casino and Hotel Philadelphia.

20 The OEC filed a Petition - or an
21 Answer objecting to the request.

22 A hearing in this matter was held on
23 November 4th, 2025. OEC and Mr. Patton both
24 appeared, presenting evidence.

25 The evidence presented at the hearing

1 showed that on October 4th, 2019, the Board issued an
2 Order placing Mr. Patton on the Exclusion List.

3 Then in 2025, Mr. Patton filed a
4 Petition Requesting Removal from the Exclusion List
5 and the Board issued an Order on May 21st, 2025
6 granting that request.

7 Specifically, the Board's Order stated
8 that Mr. Patton's name was to be removed from the
9 Board's Exclusion List effective May 30th, 2025, so
10 as it could work its way through the system and all
11 the operators could be notified of the removal.

12 On May 27th, 2025, the Board removed
13 Mr. Patton's name from the website. Mr. Patton
14 testified that since his name no longer appeared on
15 the website after he checked repeatedly, he believed
16 he was permitted to game at the casino, even though
17 it was not yet May 30th.

18 On May 29th, 2025, Mr. Patton entered
19 Live! Philadelphia, gamed. And when he attempted to
20 cash out, casino staff informed him that he was
21 excluded until May 30th, 2025, the following day, and
22 confiscated \$5,259, \$3,259 of which was winnings.

23 Mr. Patton stated during his testimony
24 that he believed he could gamble because his name was
25 removed from the Board's publicly-available Exclusion

1 List effective May 27th.

2 After hearing all of the evidence and
3 testimony, the Hearing Officer issued a Report and
4 Recommendation recommending that Mr. Patton be
5 permitted to recover the full amount of monies
6 confiscated from him, or as an alternative, at least
7 be allowed to receive his buy-in amount of \$2,000.
8 And this matter is now ripe for the Board's
9 consideration.

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

12 MR. DILLON: Madam Chair, Commissioner
13 Dillon moves that the Board reject the Report and
14 Recommendation issued by the OHA as described by the
15 OCC, and grant in part Bobby Patton's Petition to
16 Recover Monies confiscated from him while on the
17 Involuntary Exclusion List, and that \$2,000 be
18 returned to Bobby Patton.

19 MR. DUNBAR: Commissioner Dunbar
20 seconds.

21 CHAIR: All in favor?

22 AYES RESPOND

23 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion's
24 adopted.

25 ATTORNEY COOK: That concludes the

1 matters of the OCC.

2 Before I stand up, I'd like to welcome
3 Maria to the Board and offer Frank best wishes. It's
4 been a great five years.

5 MR. DERMODY: Thank you.

6 CHAIR: Thank you, Steve.

7 We will now have the Bureau of
8 Licensing matters presented by the Director of the
9 Bureau of Licensing, Sean Hannon.

10 Sean.

11 MR. HANNON: Good morning, Madam
12 Chair, members of the Board. Welcome, Commissioner.

13 Good morning, Madam Chair. Today's
14 first licensing matter for your consideration is the
15 renewal of a Slot Machine Manufacturer License for
16 CountR GmbH.

17 The company is licensed in
18 Pennsylvania and is in good standing as a slot
19 machine and table game manufacturer.

20 Under the Gaming Act, the Board may
21 use an abbreviated process to consider the
22 application of a currently licensed manufacturer.
23 The Bureau of Licensing, OEC and the Bureau of
24 Investigation and Enforcement (BIE) has reviewed the
25 application for a Slot Machine Manufacturer License

1 for CountR GmbH and I have provided you with the
2 results of that review. I provided you with a draft
3 Order and ask the Board consider the Order to renew
4 the Slot Machine Manufacturer License for CountR
5 GmbH.

6 ATTORNEY PITRE: The OEC has no
7 objection.

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

10 MR. HUFFMAN: Madam Chair,
11 Commissioner Huffman moves that the Board grant the
12 Slot Machine Manufacturer License Renewal as
13 described by the Bureau of Licensing.

14 MR. DERMODY: Commissioner Dermody
15 seconds.

16 CHAIR: All in favor?

17 AYES RESPOND

18 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion's passes.

19 MR. HANNON: The next licensing matter
20 for your consideration is the approval of an
21 Interactive Gaming Manufacturer License for PDX
22 Slots, LLC.

23 Formed in 2023, its principal place of
24 business is Detroit, Michigan. PDX Slots, LLC
25 develops and distributes online gaming content to

1 online casino operators and interactive gaming
2 operators in the Commonwealth.

3 The BIE has completed its
4 investigation and the Bureau of Licensing has
5 provided you with a Background Investigation and
6 Suitability Report. I have provided you with a draft
7 Order and ask that you consider the Order to approve
8 PDX Slots, LLC for an Interactive Gaming Manufacturer
9 License.

10 ATTORNEY PITRE: The OEC has no
11 objection.

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

14 MR. DUNBAR: Madam Chair,
15 Commissioner Dunbar moves that the Board grant the
16 Interactive Gaming Manufacturer License as described
17 by the Bureau of Licensing.

18 MS. QUIÑONES-SÁNCHEZ: Commissioner
19 Quiñones-Sánchez seconds.

20 CHAIR: All in favor?

21 AYES RESPOND

22 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion's
23 adopted.

24 MR. HANNON: Next is the Video Gaming
25 Terminal Operator License Renewal for Jango

1 Entertainment, LLC, doing business as Jango
2 Entertainment.

3 The company was formed in 2018 and its
4 principal place of business is in Sugar Notch,
5 Pennsylvania. The company intends to maintain and
6 operate video game terminals on the premises of VGT
7 Establishment Licensees in Pennsylvania. The BIE has
8 completed its investigation of the company and the
9 Bureau of Licensing has provided you with a
10 Background Investigation and Suitability Report. I
11 have provided you with a draft Order and ask the
12 Board consider the Order to renew the Video Gaming
13 Terminal Operator License for Jango Entertainment.

14 ATTORNEY PITRE: The OEC has no
15 objection.

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

18 MS. QUIÑONES-SÁNCHEZ: Madam Chair,
19 Commissioner Quiñones-Sánchez moves that the Board
20 grant the Video Gaming Terminal Operator License
21 Renewal as described by the Bureau of Licensing.

22 MR. DERMODY: Commissioner Dermody
23 seconds.

24 CHAIR: All in favor?

25 AYES RESPOND

1 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion's
2 adopted.

3 MR. HANNON: Also for consideration is
4 a Conditional Video Gaming Terminal Operator License
5 for Gold Rush Gaming, LLC. A video gaming terminal
6 operator owns services or maintain VGTs for placement
7 and operation on the premises of truck stop
8 establishments. A VGT terminal operator is eligible
9 for conditional licensure if the applicant has not
10 been convicted of a felony, is current on State
11 taxes, has submitted a completed application and has
12 not had a similar denial or revocation and has not
13 been convicted of a Gaming Law violation.

14 A preliminary review of this applicant
15 indicates that they meet this criteria. I have
16 provided you with a draft Order and ask the Board to
17 consider the Order to approve the Conditional Video
18 Gaming Terminal Operator License for Gold Rush
19 Gaming, LLC.

20 ATTORNEY PITRE: The OEC has no
21 objection.

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 the

1 Video Gaming Terminal Operator Conditional License as
2 described by the Bureau of Licensing.

3 MR. DILLON: Commissioner Dillon
4 seconds.

5 CHAIR: All in favor?

6 AYES RESPOND

7 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion passes.

8 MR. HANNON: In addition, we have
9 consideration of six Video Gaming Terminal
10 Establishment License Renewals. The locations being
11 presented today include Geneva Truck Stop, LLC and
12 five Raceway Management Company, Incorporated's,
13 doing business as Onvo-Mifflinville; Onvo-Gouldsboro;
14 Onvo-Mifflintown; Onvo-Mt. Cobb and Onvo-Duncannon.

15 The BIE has now completed its
16 investigation and the Bureau of Licensing has
17 provided you with Background Investigations and
18 Suitability Reports for each. I have provided you
19 with a draft Orders and ask the Board , first,
20 consider the Order to renew the Video Gaming Terminal
21 Establishment License for Geneva Truck Stop, LLC,
22 located at 17458 Smock Drive in Cochranon (sic).

23 CHAIR: Enforcement Counsel?

24 ATTORNEY PITRE: I was wondering if
25 Sean pronounced it -.

1 MR. HANNON: Did I mispronounce it?

2 ATTORNEY PITRE: It's close enough.

3 OEC has no objection.

4 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?

5 May I have a motion, please?

6 MR. DILLON: Madam Chair,

7 Commissioner Dillon moves that the Board grant the
8 Video Gaming Terminal Establishment License Renewal
9 as described by the Bureau of Licensing.

10 MR. DUNBAR: Commissioner Dunbar
11 seconds.

12 CHAIR: All in favor?

13 AYES RESPOND

14 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion carries.

15 MR. HANNON: Next is the Order to
16 renew the License for Raceway Management Company,
17 doing business at Onvo-Mifflinville, located at 451
18 West 3rd Street in Mifflinville.

19 ATTORNEY PITRE: OEC has no objection.

20 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?

21 May I have a motion, please?

22 MR. DUNBAR: Madam Chair, Commissioner
23 Dunbar moves that the Board grant the Video Gaming
24 Terminal Establishment License Renewal as described
25 by the Bureau of License.

1 MR. HUFFMAN: Commissioner Huffman
2 seconds.

3 CHAIR: All in favor?

4 AYES RESPOND

5 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion's
6 adopted.

7 MR. HANNON: Next is the Order to
8 renew the license for Raceway Management Company,
9 Incorporated, doing business as Onvol - Onvo-
10 Gouldsboro, located at 17 Main Street in Gouldsboro.

11 ATTORNEY PITRE: OEC has no objection.

12 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?

13 May I have a motion, please?

14 MR. HUFFMAN: Madam Chair,
15 Commissioner Huffman moves the Board grant the Video
16 Gaming Terminal Establishment License Renewal 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? Motion passes.

23 MR. HANNON: Also the Order to Renew
24 the License for Raceway Management Company,
25 Incorporated, doing business as Onvo-Mifflintown,

1 located at 9 Stop Plaza Drive in Mifflintown.

2 ATTORNEY PITRE: The OEC has no
3 objection.

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

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

10 MS. QUIÑONES-SÁNCHEZ: Commissioner
11 Quiñones-Sánchez, seconds.

12 CHAIR: All in favor?

13 AYES RESPOND

14 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion passes.

15 MR. HANNON: Next the Order to Renew
16 the License for Raceway Management Company,
17 Incorporated, doing business as Onvo-Mt. Cobb,
18 located at 117 - 1174 Mount Cobb Road in Lake Ariel.

19 ATTORNEY PITRE: The OEC has no
20 objection.

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

23 MS. QUIÑONES-SÁNCHEZ: Thank you,
24 Madam Chair. Commissioner Quiñones-Sánchez moves
25 that the Board grant the Video Gaming Terminal

1 Establishment License Renewal as described by the
2 Bureau of Licensing.

3 MR. DERMODY: Commissioner Dermody
4 seconds.

5 CHAIR: All in favor?

6 AYES RESPOND

7 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion carries.

8 MR. HANNON: And finally the Order to
9 Renew the license for Raceway Management Company,
10 Incorporated, doing business as Onvo-Duncannon,
11 located at 3298 Susquehanna Trail in Duncannon.

12 ATTORNEY PITRE: The OEC has no
13 objection.

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

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

20 MR. DILLON: Commissioner Dillon
21 seconds.

22 CHAIR: All in favor?

23 AYES RESPOND

24 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion's
25 adopted.

1 MR. HANNON: Next there are Principal,
2 Key Employee and Qualifier Licenses.

3 The Bureau of Licensing provided you
4 with a proposed Order for 16 Principals, 10 Key
5 Employees and 5 Qualifiers. I ask that the Board
6 consider the Order approving these licenses.

7 ATTORNEY PITRE: The OEC has no
8 objection.

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

11 MR. DILLON: Madam Chair, Commissioner
12 Dillon moves that the Board grant the Principal, Key
13 Employee and Qualifier Licenses as described by the
14 Bureau of Licensing.

15 MR. DUNBAR: Commissioner Dunbar
16 seconds.

17 CHAIR: All in favor?

18 AYES RESPOND

19 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion passes.

20 MR. HANNON: There are also Principal
21 and Key Employee Temporary Credentials.

22 The Bureau of Licensing provided you
23 with an Order regarding the issuance of temporary
24 credentials for seven Principals and 14 Key
25 Employees. I ask that the Board consider the Order

1 approving these credentials.

2 ATTORNEY PITRE: The OEC has no
3 objection.

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

6 MR. DUNBAR: Madam Chair, Commissioner
7 Dunbar moves that the Board grant the temporary
8 Principal and Key Employee Credentials as described
9 by the Bureau of Licensing.

10 MR. HUFFMAN: Commissioner Huffman
11 seconds.

12 CHAIR: All in favor?

13 AYES RESPOND

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

16 MR. HANNON: Additionally for your
17 consideration are Gaming Employee Permits and
18 Non-Gaming Employee Registrations. The Bureau of
19 Licensing provided you with a list of 472 individuals
20 to whom the Bureau has granted Temporary or Full
21 Occupation Permits, and 240 individuals to whom the
22 Bureau has granted Registrations under the authority
23 delegated to the Bureau of Licensing.

24 I ask that the Board consider a motion
25 approving the Order.

1 ATTORNEY PITRE: The OEC has no
2 objection.

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

5 MR. HUFFMAN: Madam Chair,
6 Commissioner Huffman moves that the Board approve the
7 applications for Gaming Employee Occupation Permits
8 and Non-Gaming Employee Registrations as described by
9 the Bureau of Licensing.

10 MS. QUIÑONES-SÁNCHEZ: Commissioner
11 Quiñones-Sánchez seconds.

12 CHAIR: All in favor?

13 AYES RESPOND

14 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion's
15 adopted.

16 MR. HANNON: Next, there is a
17 recommendation of denial for two Non-Gaming and two
18 Gaming Applicants. The Bureau of Licensing has
19 provided you with the Order addressing the applicants
20 the OEC has recommended for denial. I ask that the
21 Board consider the Order approving these denials.

22 ATTORNEY PITRE: The OEC continues to
23 request denial in each matter.

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 deny the Gaming and
3 Non-Gaming Employee Applications as described by the
4 Bureau of Licensing.

5 MS. QUIÑONES-SÁNCHEZ: Commissioner
6 Quiñones-Sánchez seconds.

7 CHAIR: All in favor?

8 AYES RESPOND

9 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion passes.

10 MR. HANNON: The next matter for
11 consideration is Withdrawal Requests. In each case,
12 the License, Permit or Registration is no longer
13 required.

14 For today's meeting, I have provided
15 the Board one Key Employee, 12 Gaming and 32 Non-
16 Gaming Applicants. I ask that the Board consider the
17 Orders approving these Withdrawals.

18 ATTORNEY PITRE: The OEC has no
19 objection.

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

22 MS. QUIÑONES-SÁNCHEZ: Madam Chair,
23 Commissioner Quiñones-Sánchez moves that the Board
24 grant the Withdrawal of employees - of Key Employees,
25 Gaming and Non-Gaming Employee Applications as

1 described by the Bureau of Licensing.

2 MR. DERMODY: Commissioner Dermody
3 seconds.

4 CHAIR: All in favor?

5 AYES RESPOND

6 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion passes.

7 MR. HANNON: Finally, for
8 consideration are Gaming Service Provider
9 Registrations. The Bureau of Licensing provided you
10 with an Order and an attached list of four Registered
11 Gaming Service Provider Applicants. I ask that the
12 Board consider the Order registering these Gaming
13 Service Providers.

14 ATTORNEY PITRE: The OEC has no
15 objection.

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 Gaming Service Provider Registrations as described by
21 the Bureau of Licensing.

22 MR. DILLON: Commissioner Dillon
23 seconds.

24 CHAIR: All in favor?

25 AYES RESPOND

1 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion passes.

2 MR. HANNON: I just want to say thank
3 you for Commissioner Dermody. Thank you for your
4 years of government service and congratulations.
5 Thank you. Thank you, Madam Chair.

6 MR. DERMODY: Thank you.

7 CHAIR: Thank you, Sean.

8 Next is the OEC.

9 Cyrus Pitre.

10 ATTORNEY PITRE: Good morning. Good
11 morning, Madam Chair, members of the Board.

12 Commissioner Dermody, I'll get to you.

13 The OEC will present 22 matters today
14 for the Board's consideration in which we'll request
15 approval of 22 Involuntary Exclusions. The remaining
16 matters on the agenda consist of enforcement actions
17 in which the OEC filed Petitions seeking the
18 involuntary exclusion of individuals who are inimical
19 to the interests of the Commonwealth and/or licensed
20 gaming therein.

21 In each instance, the Petition for
22 Exclusion has been filed with the Board's OHA and
23 properly served upon the individual named in the
24 petition. The individual named in each petition
25 failed to respond within 30 days, as required by

1 Board regulation.

2 As a result, the OEC filed a Request
3 for Default Judgment in each instance and properly
4 served the same upon each individual.

5 Therefore, all facts in each Petition
6 are deemed admitted. All filed documents have been
7 provided to the Board and the matters are presently
8 ripe for the Board's consideration.

9 In each instance, if the Board orders
10 a proposed exclusion, each individual's photo,
11 personal identifiers and a summary of the inimical
12 conduct may be placed on the Board's public website.

13 In each matter, we will provide a
14 brief summary of the facts and make a request for the
15 appropriate Board action.

16 ATTORNEY SANCHEZ: Good morning, Madam
17 Chair, Commissioners, Juan Sanchez, S-A-N-C-H-E-Z,
18 Assistant Enforcement Counsel with the OEC.

19 The next matter on the agenda for the
20 Board's consideration is a Request to Place Angela
21 Adams on the Board's Involuntary Interactive Gaming
22 Exclusion List.

23 In addition to their own accounts,
24 Angela Adams and another individual created and/or
25 fraudulently accessed 23 BetMGM accounts and Borgata

1 accounts with the personal identifying information of
2 other individuals to receive and wager \$6,887.21 in
3 bonuses.

4 Subsequently, she failed or refused to
5 pay funds to the casinos as a result of her gaming
6 activity.

7 All the accounts were closed and the
8 devices used were blocked. And there were no
9 criminal charges filed.

10 The OEC now requests the Board place
11 Angela Adams on the Board's Involuntary Interactive
12 Gaming Exclusion List.

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 approve the addition of
17 Angela Adams to the PGCB Involuntary Interactive
18 Gaming Exclusion List for the conduct described by
19 the OEC.

20 MR. DUNBAR: Commissioner Dunbar
21 seconds.

22 CHAIR: All in favor?

23 AYES RESPOND

24 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion's
25 adopted.

1 ATTORNEY SANCHEZ: Again, Juan Sanchez
2 with the OEC.

3 The next matter on the agenda is a
4 Request to Place Tashona Mouzon on the Board's
5 Involuntary Exclusion List.

6 Tashona Mouzon and another individual
7 left two six-year-old children and a 12-year-old
8 child unattended in the Hollywood Casino York parking
9 lot for approximately 29 minutes while she gamed
10 inside the casino.

11 Hollywood Casino York banned Ms.
12 Mouzon from their property. Law enforcement was
13 contacted, but did not file criminal charges as a
14 result of this incident.

15 The OEC now requests the Board place
16 Tashona Mouzon on the Involuntary Exclusion List.

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

19 MR. DUNBAR: Madam Chair, Commissioner
20 Dunbar moves that the Board approve the addition of
21 Tashona Mouzon to the PGCB Involuntary Exclusion List
22 for the conduct described by the OEC.

23 MR. HUFFMAN: Commissioner Huffman
24 seconds.

25 CHAIR: All in favor?

1 AYES RESPOND

2 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion passes.

3 ATTORNEY SANCHEZ: Again, Juan Sanchez
4 with the OEC.

5 The next matter on the agenda is a
6 Request to Place Mai Ngo on the Board's Involuntary
7 Exclusion List.

8 Wind Creek Bethlehem Casino
9 involuntarily terminated the employment of a Table
10 Game Dealer because the Table Game Dealer included
11 with or otherwise allowed patron Mai Ngo to cheat by
12 capping and pitching wagers in 61 instances.

13 Ms. Ngo had a total of \$89,745 in
14 ill-gotten gains due to the Dealer collusion.

15 The Pennsylvania State Police filed
16 criminal charges against Mai Ngo, which remain
17 pending. Wind Creek Bethlehem has not received
18 restitution to date and permanently evicted Ms. Ngo.

19 The OEC now requests the Board place
20 Mai Ngo on the Involuntary Exclusion List.

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

23 MR. HUFFMAN: Madam Chair,
24 Commissioner Huffman moves that the Board approve the
25 addition of Mai Ngo to the PGCB Involuntary Exclusion

1 List for the conduct described by the OEC.

2 MR. DERMODY: Commissioner Dermody
3 seconds.

4 CHAIR: All in favor?

5 AYES RESPOND

6 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion carries.

7 ATTORNEY ROLAND: Good morning, Madam
8 Chair, members of the Board, Michael Roland,
9 R-O-L-A-N-D, with the OEC.

10 The next matter on the agenda is a
11 Request to Place Francisco Epesi-Guedes on the
12 Involuntary Exclusion List.

13 Mr. Epesi-Guedes was observed
14 attempting to abduct a ten-year-old child at The
15 Landing Hotel at Rivers Casino Pittsburgh. He first
16 attempted to persuade the child to come with him
17 before grabbing the child's clothing and trying to
18 abduct the child forcefully.

19 The child escaped to her mother.

20 Mr. Epesi-Guedes was apprehended and
21 criminally charged with interference with custody of
22 children, defiant trespass, harassment and public
23 drunkenness for his actions. The charges remain
24 pending.

25 He was permanently evicted from the

1 casino property.

2 The OEC now requests that the Board
3 place Francisco Epesi-Guedes on the Involuntary
4 Exclusion List.

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

7 MS. QUIÑONES-SÁNCHEZ: Madam Chair.
8 Commissioner Quiñones-Sánchez moves that the Board
9 approve the addition of Francisco Epesi-Guedes to the
10 PGCB Involuntary Exclusion List for the conduct
11 described by the OEC.

12 MR. DERMODY: Commissioner Dermody
13 seconds.

14 CHAIR: All in favor?

15 AYES RESPOND

16 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion's
17 adopted.

18 ATTORNEY MILLER: Good morning, Chair
19 Smyler, members of the Board, Dustin Miller, on
20 behalf of the OEC, M-I-L-L-E-R.

21 The next matter on the agenda for the
22 Board's consideration is the Petition to place Chien
23 Cheng on the Involuntary Exclusion List.

24 Ms. Cheng left her ten-year-old son
25 alone in a hotel room at Wind Creek Bethlehem Casino

1 while she went to the Gaming Floor and engaged in
2 gaming activity.

3 The child was discovered after the
4 child left the hotel room and went down to the Wind
5 Creek Hotel lobby using the elevator.

6 Ms. Cheng was on the Gaming Floor for
7 over three-and-a-half hours and the child was
8 unattended during that time.

9 Wind Creek issued Ms. Cheng a
10 permanent eviction. No criminal charges were filed.

11 At this time the OEC requests that the
12 Board place Chien Cheng on the Involuntary Exclusion
13 List.

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

16 MR. DERMODY: Madam Chair,
17 Commissioner Dermody moves that the Board approve the
18 addition of Chien Cheng to the PGCB Involuntary
19 Exclusion List for the conduct described by the OEC.

20 MR. DILLON: Commissioner Dillon
21 seconds.

22 CHAIR: All in favor?

23 AYES RESPOND

24 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion's
25 adopted.

1 ATTORNEY MILLER: The next matter on
2 the agenda for the Board's consideration is the
3 Petition to Place Yanina Ruiz on the Involuntary
4 Exclusion List.

5 Ms. Ruiz left a ten-year-old minor
6 alone in the bus lobby of Wind Creek Bethlehem Casino
7 while she was inside gaming. The child was
8 discovered by security while he was sitting alone in
9 the bus lobby.

10 Ms. Ruiz was away from the minor for
11 approximately 30 minutes.

12 Wind Creek issued Ms. Ruiz a permanent
13 eviction. No criminal charges were filed.

14 At this time the OEC requests that the
15 workplace Yanina Ruiz on the Involuntary Exclusion
16 List.

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

19 MR. DILLON: Madam Chair, Commissioner
20 Dillon moves that the Board approve the addition of
21 Yanina Ruiz to the PGCB Involuntary exclusion List
22 for the conduct described by the OEC.

23 MR. DUNBAR: Commissioner Dunbar
24 seconds.

25 CHAIR: All in favor?

1 AYES RESPOND

2 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion carries.

3 ATTORNEY ROLAND: The next matter on
4 the agenda for the Board's consideration is the
5 Petition to place Cody Eckenrode on the Involuntary
6 Exclusion List.

7 Mr. Eckenrode removed a voucher worth
8 \$703.24 that belonged to another patron from a slot
9 machine at Hollywood Casino York.

10 Mr. Eckenrode was criminally charged
11 for his actions. He was also evicted from Hollywood
12 Casino York.

13 The OEC now requests that the Board
14 place Cody Eckenrode upon the Involuntary Exclusion
15 List.

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

18 MR. DUNBAR: Madam Chair, Commissioner
19 Dunbar moves that the Board approve the addition of
20 Cody Eckenrode to the PGCB Involuntary Exclusion List
21 for conduct described by the OEC.

22 MR. HUFFMAN: Commissioner Huffman
23 seconds.

24 CHAIR: All in favor?

25 AYES RESPOND

1 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion's
2 adopted.

3 ATTORNEY ROLAND: The next matter on
4 the agenda is a Request to Place Raymond Fields on
5 the Involuntary Exclusion List.

6 Mr. Fields picked up \$2,800 in cash
7 from the Gaming Floor at Rivers Casino Pittsburgh
8 which belonged to another patron and immediately left
9 the casino.

10 Mr. Fields was criminally convicted of
11 felony theft related to this incident and permanently
12 evicted from Rivers Casino Pittsburgh.

13 At this time the OEC requests that the
14 Board place Raymond Fields on the Involuntary
15 Exclusion List.

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

18 MR. HUFFMAN: Madam Chair,
19 Commissioner Huffman moves that the Board approve the
20 addition of Raymond Edward Fields, III to the PGCB
21 Involuntary Exclusion List for the conduct described
22 by the OEC.

23 MR. DILLON: Commissioner Dillon
24 seconds.

25 CHAIR: All in favor?

1 AYES RESPOND

2 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion carries.

3 ATTORNEY ROLAND: The next matter on
4 the agenda for the Board's consideration is a Request
5 to Place Arlisa Lynn on the Board's Involuntary
6 Exclusion List.

7 Ms. Lynn cheated while playing Spanish
8 21 at Live! Casino and Hotel Philadelphia by past
9 posting wagers on multiple dates. The total loss to
10 Live! was \$135.

11 Ms. Lynn was criminally charged with
12 theft of services and Live! permanently banned her
13 from the property for this behavior.

14 The OEC now requests that the Board
15 place Arlisa Lynn on the Involuntary Exclusion List.

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

18 MR. DUNBAR: Madam Chair,
19 Commissioner Dunbar moves that the Board approve the
20 addition of Arlisa Lynn to the PGCB Involuntary
21 Exclusion List for the conduct as described by the
22 OEC.

23 MS. QUIÑONES-SÁNCHEZ: Commissioner
24 Quiñones-Sánchez seconds.

25 CHAIR: All in favor?

1 AYES RESPOND

2 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion passes.

3 ATTORNEY SCIRROTTO: Good morning,
4 Madam Chair, members of the Board.

5 Kelci Scirrotto, S-C-I-R-R-O-T-T-O,
6 Assistant Enforcement Counsel with the OEC.

7 Next matter on the agenda for the
8 Board's consideration is a Request to Place Aaron
9 Gohl on the Board's Interactive Gaming Involuntary
10 Exclusion List.

11 Mr. Gohl created interactive gaming
12 accounts on PlayLive! Casino and betParx interactive
13 gaming platforms. Mr. Gohl deposited money into
14 those accounts and wagered through the funds.
15 Subsequently, Mr. Gohl failed or refused to pay
16 \$9,285 that he owed to PlayLive! Casino and betParx
17 as a result of this gaming activity, thereby
18 depriving the Commonwealth of tax revenue owed on
19 this amount.

20 Mr. Gohl's account was frozen by
21 betParx and suspended by PlayLive! Casino. No
22 criminal charges were filed.

23 The OEC now requests that the Board
24 place Aaron Gohl on the Interactive Gaming
25 Involuntary Exclusion List.

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

3 MS. QUIÑONES-SÁNCHEZ: Madam Chair,
4 Commissioner Quiñones-Sánchez moves that the Board
5 approve the addition of Aaron Gohl to the PGCB
6 Involuntary Interactive Gaming Exclusion List for the
7 conduct described by the OEC.

8 MR. DERMODY: Commissioner Dermody
9 seconds.

10 CHAIR: All in favor?

11 AYES RESPOND

12 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion's
13 adopted.

14 ATTORNEY SCIRROTTO: The next matter
15 on the agenda for the Board's consideration is a
16 Request to Place Scott Meyer on the Board's
17 Interactive Gaming Involuntary Exclusion List.

18 Mr. Meyer created an interactive
19 gaming account on the PlaySugarhouse Casino
20 interactive gaming platform. Mr. Meyer deposited at
21 least \$5,500 into that account and wagered through
22 those funds. Subsequently, Mr. Meyer failed or
23 refused to pay funds that he owed to PlaySugarhouse
24 as a result of his gaming activity, thereby depriving
25 the Commonwealth of tax revenue.

1 Mr. Meyer's account was locked by
2 PlaySugarhouse Casino.

3 No criminal charges were filed.

4 The OEC now requests that the Board
5 place Scott Meyer on the Interactive Gaming
6 Involuntary Exclusion List.

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

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

14 MR. DILLON: Commissioner Dillon
15 seconds.

16 CHAIR: All in favor?

17 AYES RESPOND

18 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion's
19 adopted.

20 ATTORNEY SCIRROTTO: The next matter
21 on the agenda for the Board's consideration is a
22 Request to Place Tiffany Mozloom on the Board's
23 Interactive Gaming Involuntary Exclusion List.

24 Tiffany Mozloom created 14 fraudulent
25 accounts on the Unibet interactive gaming platform

1 using the personal identifying information of other
2 individuals.

3 All the accounts were suspended.

4 No criminal charges were filed.

5 The OEC now requests that the Board
6 place Tiffany Mozloom on the Interactive Gaming
7 Involuntary Exclusion List.

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 approve the addition of
12 Tiffany Mozloom to the PGCB Involuntary Interactive
13 Exclusion List for the conduct described by the OEC.

14 MR. DUNBAR: Commissioner Dunbar
15 seconds.

16 CHAIR: All in favor?

17 AYES RESPOND

18 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion's
19 adopted.

20 ATTORNEY SCIRROTTO: The next matter
21 on the agenda for the Board's consideration is a
22 Request to Place Zachary Pounds on the Board's
23 Interactive Gaming Involuntary Exclusion List.

24 Zachary Pounds created nine fraudulent
25 accounts on the BetMGM interactive gaming platform

1 using the personal identifying information of other
2 individuals.

3 All the accounts were closed and all
4 devices were blocked.

5 No criminal charges were filed.

6 The OEC now requests that the Board
7 place Zachary Pounds on the Interactive Gaming
8 Involuntary Exclusion List.

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

11 MR. DUNBAR: Madam Chair, Commissioner
12 Dunbar moves that the Board approve the addition of
13 Zachary Pounds to the Involuntary Interactive
14 Exclusion List for the conduct described by the OEC.

15 MR. HUFFMAN: Commissioner Huffman
16 seconds.

17 CHAIR: All in favor?

18 AYES RESPOND

19 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion's
20 adopted.

21 ATTORNEY MILLER: Dustin Miller, once
22 again, on behalf of the OEC.

23 The next matter on the agenda is a
24 Request to Place Judea Green on the Involuntary
25 Exclusion List.

1 Ms. Green was present at Parx Casino
2 when she left a nine-year-old child unattended in her
3 vehicle when she entered the Gaming Floor to place a
4 sports wager and engage in table game play.

5 Ms. Green was away from the vehicle
6 for approximately 57 minutes. As a result of her
7 actions, she was permanently evicted from Parx Casino
8 but was not criminally charged for her actions.

9 At this time the OEC requests that the
10 Board place Judea Green on the Involuntary Exclusion
11 List.

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

14 MR. HUFFMAN: Madam Chair,
15 Commissioner Huffman moves that the Board approve the
16 addition of Judea Green to the PGCB Involuntary
17 Exclusion List for the conduct described by the OEC.

18 MS. QUIÑONES-SÁNCHEZ: Commissioner
19 Quiñones-Sánchez seconds.

20 CHAIR: All in favor?

21 AYES RESPONDE

22 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion carries.

23 ATTORNEY ROBERTS: Good morning, Chair
24 members of the Board, Andrea Roberts,
25 R-O-B-E-R-T-S, Assistant Enforcement Counsel.

1 The next matter on the agenda is a
2 Request to Place Heyam Kramarenko on the Involuntary
3 Exclusion List.

4 Ms. Kramarenko was previously employed
5 as a Table Games Dealer at Live! Casino and Hotel
6 Philadelphia.

7 While employed, Ms. Kramarenko
8 willfully and improperly dealt Blackjack on five
9 separate dates, causing a loss to the casino.

10 Live! terminated Ms. Kramarenko's
11 employment.

12 Ms. Kramarenko was criminally charged
13 for her actions.

14 At this time the OEC requests the
15 Board place Heyam Kramarenko on the Involuntary
16 Exclusion List.

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

19 MR. DERMODY: Madam Chair,
20 Commissioner Dermody moves that the Board approve the
21 addition of Heyam Kramarenko to the Pennsylvania
22 Gaming Control Board's Involuntary Exclusion List for
23 the conduct described by the OEC.

24 MS. QUIÑONES-SÁNCHEZ: Commissioner
25 Quiñones-Sánchez seconds.

1 CHAIR: All in favor?

2 AYES RESPOND

3 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion carries.

4 ATTORNEY ROBERTS: The next matter on
5 the agenda is a Request to Place Jamie Smith on the
6 Involuntary Exclusion List.

7 Ms. Smith was previously employed as a
8 Table Games Dealer at Rivers Pittsburgh Casino.

9 While employed, Ms. Smith willfully
10 improperly dealt Blackjack on five separate dates,
11 causing a loss to the casino and depriving the
12 Commonwealth of tax revenue.

13 Rivers terminated Ms. Smith's
14 employment.

15 Ms. Smith was criminally charged for
16 her actions. Ms. Smith's Gaming Employee Occupation
17 Permit has been previously revoked by the Board.

18 At this time the OEC requests the
19 Board place Jamie Smith on the Involuntary Exclusion
20 List.

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

23 MS. QUIÑONES-SÁNCHEZ: Madam Chair,
24 Commissioner Quiñones-Sánchez moves that the Board
25 approve the addition of Jamie Smith to the PGCB

1 Involuntary Exclusion List for the conduct described
2 by the OEC.

3 MR. DERMODY: Commissioner Dermody
4 seconds.

5 CHAIR: All in favor?

6 AYES RESPOND

7 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion carries.

8 ATTORNEY ROBERTS: The next matter on
9 the agenda is a Request to Place Henry Yi on the
10 Involuntary Exclusion List.

11 Mr. Yi was previously employed as a
12 Table Games Supervisor at Rivers Philadelphia Casino.

13 Mr. Yi entered false player ratings
14 for a patron later identified as his sister while the
15 patron was not present at the table.

16 Rivers terminated Mr. Yi's employment.

17 At this time, the OEC requests the
18 Board place Henry Yi on the Involuntary Exclusion
19 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 reject
24 OEC's request for the addition of Henry Yi 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? Motion's
7 adopted.

8 ATTORNEY ROBERTS: The next matter -
9 the next five matters on the agenda are related.

10 I request to place Zhencan Chen; Zu
11 Liu; Ruiyue Tao; Li You and Qingyong Zhang on the
12 Involuntary Exclusion List.

13 With the Board's permission, I will
14 read one set of facts and then request each
15 individual be placed on the Involuntary Exclusion
16 List.

17 Mr. Chen, Mr. Liu, Ms. Tao, Ms. You
18 and Mr. Zhang were present at Wind Creek Bethlehem
19 Casino and played Baccarat.

20 On 13 occasions a member of the group
21 was observed fanning the corner of the brick of cards
22 while cutting the deck. On seven of these occasions,
23 a cell phone was confirmed to be pointing at the deck
24 when the cards were fanned.

25 On six of the compromised Baccarat

1 shoes, members of the group were observed making
2 large wagers for the same outcome of each hand.

3 Wind Creek permanently banned them
4 from the property.

5 Mr. Zhang was criminally charged for
6 his actions.

7 At this time, the OEC requests the
8 Board place Zhencan Chen on the Involuntary Exclusion
9 List.

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

12 MR. DILLON: Madam Chair, Commission
13 Dillon moves that the Board approve the addition of
14 Zhenchan - Zhencan Chen to the PGCB Involuntary
15 Exclusion List for the conduct described by the OEC.

16 MR. DUNBAR: Commissioner Dunbar
17 seconds.

18 CHAIR: All in favor?

19 AYES RESPOND

20 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion's
21 adopted.

22 ATTORNEY ROBERTS: At this time the
23 OEC requests the Board place Zu Liu on the
24 Involuntary Exclusion List.

25 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?

1 May I have a motion, please?

2 MR. DUNBAR Madam Chair, Commissioner
3 Dumber moves that the Board approve the addition of
4 Zu Liu to the PGCB Involuntary Exclusion List for the
5 conduct described by the OEC.

6 MR. HUFFMAN: Commissioner Huffman
7 seconds.

8 CHAIR: All in favor?

9 AYES RESPOND

10 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion's
11 adopted.

12 ATTORNEY ROBERTS: At this time the
13 OEC requests the Board place Ruiyue Tao on the
14 Involuntary Exclusion List.

15 CHAIR: Any questions or comments?

16 May I have a motion, please?

17 MR. HUFFMAN: Madam Chair,
18 Commissioner Huffman moves that the Board approve the
19 addition of Ruiyue Tao to the PGCB Involuntary
20 Exclusion List for the conduct described by the OEC.

21 CHAIR: All in favor?

22 AYES RESPOND

23 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion's
24 adopted.

25 ATTORNEY ROBERTS: At this time the

1 OEC requests the Board place Li You on the
2 Involuntary Exclusion List.

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

5 MR. DUNBAR: Madam Chair,
6 Commissioner Dunbar moves that the Board approve the
7 addition of Li You to the PGCB Involuntary Exclusion
8 List for the conduct described by the OEC.

9 MS. QUIÑONES-SÁNCHEZ: Commissioner
10 Quiñones-Sánchez seconds.

11 CHAIR: All in favor?

12 AYES RESPOND

13 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion's
14 adopted.

15 ATTORNEY ROBERTS: At this time the
16 OEC requests the Board place Qingyong Zhang on the
17 Involuntary Exclusion List.

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

20 MS. QUIÑONES-SÁNCHEZ: Madam Chair,
21 Commissioner Quiñones-Sánchez moves that the Board
22 approve the addition of Qingyong Zhang to the PGCB
23 Involuntary Exclusion List for the conduct described
24 by the OEC.

25 MR. DERMODY: Commissioner Dermody

1 seconds.

2 CHAIR: All in favor?

3 AYES RESPOND

4 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion passes.

5 ATTORNEY PITRE: Commissioner Dermody,
6 I don't know if you remember this, and I doubt you
7 do.

8 Back in the summer of 2010 or '11 -
9 see, I can't even remember. Paul Mauro and I went
10 around the Capitol visiting with different
11 Legislators, members of the General Assembly. You
12 probably don't remember because my hair was all black
13 at the time. And Paul Mauro actually had hair at the
14 time, but nevertheless, you pledged to do everything
15 you could in your power to help us, to make sure that
16 the agency was a success.

17 And I want to tell you, over the
18 years, you kept that pledge. And once you came to
19 the Board, you provided us with even more support.

20 So, I want to say that I personally am
21 appreciative. My staff is appreciative.

22 And on behalf of BIE and OEC, we'd
23 like to thank you for all your support over the
24 years.

25 MR. DERMODY: Thank you very much.

1 And I remember, absolutely. But thank you. That's
2 very nice. I appreciate it.

3 CHAIR: You remember his hair was
4 black?

5 MR. DERMODY: I had light hair then,
6 too.

7 ATTORNEY PITRE: That concludes our
8 matters.

9 CHAIR: Thank you. The last item on
10 the agenda today is public comment.

11 Is there anyone in the room that would
12 like to address the Board?

13 Seeing no one. That concludes today's
14 meeting. The next public meeting of the Board will
15 be held on Wednesday, February 25th, 2026, at 10:00
16 a.m. at this location.

17 And now, may I please have a motion to
18 adjourn?

19 MR. DERMODY: Madam Chair,
20 Commissioner Dermody moves to adjourn. The last one.

21 MR. DILLON: Commissioner Dillon
22 seconds.

23 CHAIR: All in favor?

24 AYES RESPOND

25 CHAIR: All opposed? Motion's

1 adopted.

2 Your final act was to adjourn the
3 meeting. Thank you, everyone.

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5 MEETING CONCLUDED AT 11:22 A.M.

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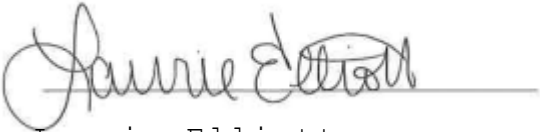
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I hereby certify that the foregoing proceedings,
a meeting held before Chair Smyler was reported by me
on February 4, 2026 and that I, Laurie Elliott, read
this transcript, and that I attest that this
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proceeding.

Dated the 6th day of February, 2026



Laurie Elliott,
Court Reporter