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Gambling Control Board
Minutes of January 18, 2022 Board Meeting
Held online via Zoom application.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Steven Silver called the meeting to order at 9:05 am via Zoom application online due to the current coronavirus pandemic.

MEMBERS PRESENT ONLINE

Steven Silver, Board Chair
Sari Greene
Chief Noel March
Joseph Hanslip

STAFF PRESENT ONLINE

Milton Champion, Executive Director
Detective Don Armstrong
Vicki Gardner, Inspector Supervisor
Alex Joutov, Auditor
Wyatt Bisbee, Auditor

Mallory Reilly, Office Specialist I
Cami Hippler, Office Assistant II
Katie Johnson, Assistant Attorney General
Philip Mantis, Assistant Attorney General

MINUTES REVIEW AND APPROVAL

December 2021 Meeting Minutes approval

Ms. Sari Greene moves to approve the December 21, 2021 meeting minutes. Chief Noel March seconded the motion. Moves to roll call.

Members

Steven Silver	Yea
Sari Greene:	Yea
Joseph Hanslip:	Yea
Noel March:	Yea

The motion passed 4 in favor, motion passes.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

In December 2021 there were 14 shipments of machines and/or associated equipment shipped to or from licensed facilities. On-site inspectors completed 710 observations and 31 checklists. There were 7 self-exclusions. There were 7 minor potential violations that will continue to be monitored from our activity log. There were no patron complaints and no formal complaints of potential violations placed on the dashboard.

For the month of December 2021, the Unit has identified an increase of 101.1% in total tax revenue for both facilities versus December 2020. Year to date the Unit has identified an increase of 104.0% versus last year at the same time.

Oxford reported an 8.1% win for the month of December from slots and a 25.0% win from table games. Oxford's payback percentage was 91.8%. Average gross win per machine was \$222.69. Hollywood reported a 9.3% average win for the month of December from slots and a 14.3% win from table games. Hollywood's payback percentage was 90.7%. Average gross win per machine was \$190.65.

Bill LD 1743 passed out of committee on the definition change from electronic facsimile to electronic table game. LD 1745 is going into a work session to review the fiscal impact of offering the three-year license tomorrow at 1:00 pm.

There will be no meeting in February.

STATE POLICE REPORT

Detective Don Armstrong reported that there were 24 new and 46 renewal investigations completed, with 58 still pending. There were 2 Ticket-In, Ticket-Out (TITO) incidents; all have been taken care of. There were 12 calls for service in Bangor and 9 in Oxford for the local police department. Detective Armstrong assured the Board that a majority of these incidents occurred in the hotel or garage rather than on the casino floor.

Consent Agreement – GCB 2021-58

There was Board discussion surrounding the complaint.

Chief Noel March moves to accept the consent agreement for GCB 2021-58. Mr. Joseph Hanslip seconded the motion. Moves to roll call.

Members

Steven Silver	No
Sari Greene:	No
Joseph Hanslip:	No
Noel March:	No

The motion failed, 4 not in favor.

Mr. Joseph Hanslip moves to table GCB 2021-58. Ms. Sari Greene seconded the motion. Moves to roll call.

Members

Steven Silver	Yea
Sari Greene:	Yea
Joseph Hanslip:	Yea
Noel March:	Yea

The motion passed, 4 in favor.

License Applications for Review-

The Board received 2 applications for review, one for HC Bangor LLC dba Hollywood Casino Hotel & Raceway and one for Penn National Gaming, Inc.

Chief Noel March moves to table agenda item 6A – License Review for HC Bangor. Ms. Sari Greene seconded the motion. Moves to roll call.

Members

Steven Silver	Yea
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Sari Greene: **Yea**

Joseph Hanslip: Yea

Noel March: **Yea**

The motion passed, 4 in favor.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

N/A

NEW BUSINESS

Self-Exclusion A – Request for Removal

The Board discussed the circumstances surrounding this request for removal from the Self-Exclusion list.

Mr. Joseph Hanslip moves to table the request for removal from the self-exclusion list. Ms. Sari Greene seconded the motion. Moves to roll call.

Members

Steven Silver

Sari Greene: **Yea**

Joseph Hanslip: Yea

Noel March: **Yea**

The motion passed, 4 in favor.

Review of GLI Audit of Linked Progressive Controllers and Machines-

John Grau of GLI shared with the Board what took place during the audits of Hollywood Casino, Oxford Casino and Scientific Games in Gardiner on linked progressive controllers and machines. Director Champion informed the Board that the Unit will be ordering Kobetron devices for each facility, which will verify signatures upon delivery, and that inspectors will be trained on how to use these devices.

Board Business-

N/A

PUBLIC COMMENT –

N/A

ADJOURNMENT

Chief Noel March moves to adjourn the Gambling Control Board meeting. Mr. Joseph Hanslip seconded the motion. Motion moves to roll call.

Members

Steven Silver **Yea**

Joseph Hanslip: **Yea**

Noel March: **Yea**

The motion passed 3 in favor, motion passes.

**Sari Greene lost connection to the meeting.*

The meeting adjourns at 10:05 AM. The next Board meeting will be held on March 15, 2022 at 9:00am.

Respectfully submitted by:

Mallory Reilly

Office Specialist I

Board approved: March 15, 2022