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Gambling Control Board  
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CHAIRMAN  
MILTON CHAMPION  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Gambling Control Board  
Minutes of April 15, 2025, Board Meeting  
Held in person at Oxford Casino & online via Zoom application.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Steven Silver, Board Chair  
Noel March, Board Member  
Kelly Bickmore, Board Member  
D'arcy Main-Boyington, Board Member

**STAFF PRESENT**

Milton Champion, Executive Director	
Matthew Motti, Deputy Director	Philip Mantis, Assistant Attorney General
Det. Don Armstrong, MSP (Virtual)	Reid Hayton-Hull, Assistant Attorney General
Mallory Reilly, Office Specialist	
Alex Joutov, Auditor	
Amanda Spencer, Auditor	

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Steven Silver called the meeting to order at 9:02 am in person & via Zoom application online.

**2. MINUTES REVIEW AND APPROVAL**

**February 18, 2025, Meeting Minutes Approval –**

One minor correction was made on page 4; the vote for a license renewal showed 2 “no” votes when it was actually a unanimous “yea” vote.

*Board Member Noel March moved to approve the February 15, 2025 meeting minutes with the correction.*

*Board Chair Steven Silver seconded the motion. Moved to roll call vote.*

***Members***

<b><i>Noel March</i></b>	<b><i>Yea</i></b>
<b><i>Steven Silver</i></b>	<b><i>Yea</i></b>
<b><i>Kelly Bickmore</i></b>	<b><i>Yea</i></b>
<b><i>D'arcy Main-Boyington</i></b>	<b><i>Abstained</i></b>

*3 In favor, and 1 abstain, the motion passed.*

### **3. OPERATIONS REPORT – Deputy Director Matthew Motti**

In February 2025, there were (4) shipments of machines and/or associated equipment shipped to or from licensed facilities. In March 2025, there were (20). There were (27) work orders completed in February 2025 and (69) in March 2025, which ranged from new game installs, removals, changing themes, options and communications issues. There were (60) entries in the inspector pass on log in February 2025 and (67) in March 2025 to share information not only from within the facility but also between the facilities.

There are currently (8) formal complaints with status updates and are reported in the complaint dashboard; (1) consent agreement is being presented later in the meeting, (3) consent agreements are being completed with the Assistant Attorney Generals assigned to the Board, (1) is under review by the complaint committee, and (3) are being responded to by the facilities.

There were no patron complaints; and there were 22 self-exclusions in February 2025 and March 2025: 17 one year, 1 -three year, 2 – five yr, and 2 lifetime. Total as of March 2025 is 98 one yr, 47 three yrs, 63 five yr, and 264 lifetime.

As reported by Lori Manson, there were (23) problem gambling, (7) casino related calls, (0) lottery related calls, (2) sports wagering calls, (11) online gambling, and (6) “other” calls made to 211.

Oxford PD reported 34 calls in February 2025 and March 2025:

- 3 arrests
- 6 potential illegal activities
- 2 risk management
- 6 medical responses
- 4 suspicious activity
- 4 possible intoxication
- 3 potential driving under the influence
- 5 undesirable conduct

Bangor PD reported 32 calls in February 2025 and March 2025:

- 6 Under the influence
- 1 theft
- 1 traffic offense
- 2 welfare checks
- 2 fraud
- 3 disorderly
- 3 medical
- 5 open line 911

### **4. FINANCIAL REPORT – February 2025 and March 2025 – Alex Joutov**

Tax Revenue collected from both Casinos to the State of Maine decreased by 14.75% (or, by \$831,698) in February 2025 and decreased by 0.61% (or, by \$36,691) in March 2025 compared to the same months in 2024.

Total Tax Revenue collected from both casinos so far during 2025 was \$16,112,139, which is a decrease of 1.72% (or \$282,468) compared to the prior year.

Specifically, by Casino —

Hollywood Casino reported a total net win from Slot machines of 7.93% and a total win from Table Games of 23.69% for February 2025; and a total net win from Slot machines of 8.61% and a total win from Table Games of 22.18% for March 2025.

Revenue decreased by 20.9% (or \$3,644) in February 2025 and decreased by 24.3% (or \$4,586.92) in March 2025 compared to the same months last year.

## 5. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Director Champion informed the Board there are currently 10 bills working through the Legislative Session that are relevant to the Board: (1) involving fantasy, (1) involving reevaluating the gaming revenue cascade allocations, (4) related to charitable gaming, (2) related to sports wagering, (1) related to i-gaming, and (1) rulemaking bill.

## 6. LICENSE APPLICATIONS FOR REVIEW –

*Board Member Kelly Bickmore moved to approve Xpressbet LLC's Advanced Deposit Wagering Initial License Application. Board Member D'arcy Main-Boyington seconded the motion. Moved to roll call vote.*

*4 In favor, the motion passed.*

Andrew Silver, Senior Counsel, gave a brief presentation and overview of the company to the Board. Chair Silver asked about the history in Maine with TwinSpires.

*Board Member Noel March moved to approve Churchill Downs Technology Initiatives' Advanced Deposit Wagering Initial License Application. Board Chair Steven Silver seconded the motion. Moved to roll call vote.*

**Members**

**Noel March** **Yea**

**Steven Silver** **Yea**

**Kelly Bickmore** **Yea**

**D'arcy Main-Boyington** **Yea**

*4 In favor, the motion passed.*

**c.) Bluberi Gaming USA, Inc. – Small Slot Machine Distributor – Initial**

Casey Whalen, Chief Commercial Officer, gave a brief presentation and overview of the company to the Board.

*Board Member Kelly Bickmore moved to approve Bluberi Gaming USA, Inc.'s Small Slot Distributor Initial License Application. Board Chair Steven Silver seconded the motion. Moved to roll call vote.*

**Members**

**Noel March** **Yea**

**Steven Silver** **Yea**

**Kelly Bickmore** **Yea**

**D'arcy Main-Boyington** **Yea**

*4 In favor, the motion passed.*

**d.) Anyvision US Inc. – Small Slot Machine Distributor – Initial**

Patrick Welsh, General Manager, gave a brief presentation and overview of the company to the Board. Board Member Noel March asked follow-up questions in relation to facial recognition software and how Anyvision stores the information.

*Board Member D'arcy Main-Boyington moved to approve Anyvision US Inc.'s Small Slot Distributor Initial License Application. Board Member Kelly Bickmore seconded the motion. Moved to roll call vote.*

**Members**

**Noel March** **Yea**

**Steven Silver** **Yea**

**Kelly Bickmore** **Yea**

**D'arcy Main-Boyington** **Yea**

*4 In favor, the motion passed.*

**e.) Everi Games Inc. – Small Slot Machine Distributor – Initial**

Jesse Debruin, Senior VP and Gaming Leader, gave a brief presentation and overview of the company to the Board.

*Board Member Noel March moved to approve Everi Games Inc.'s Small Slot Distributor Initial License Application. Board Member Kelly Bickmore seconded the motion. Moved to roll call vote.*

**Members**

**Noel March** **Yea**

**Steven Silver** **Yea**

**Kelly Bickmore** **Yea**

**D'arcy Main-Boyington**                      **Yea**

*4 In favor, the motion passed.*

**f.) Konami Gaming, Inc. –Slot Machine Distributor – Renewal**

*Board Member Kelly Bickmore moved to approve Konami Gaming, Inc.'s Slot Distributor License Renewal Application. Board Member Noel March seconded the motion. Moved to roll call vote.*

**Members**

**Noel March**                                      **Yea**

**Steven Silver**                                      **Yea**

**Kelly Bickmore**                                      **Yea**

**D'arcy Main-Boyington**                      **Yea**

*4 In favor, the motion passed.*

**g.) BB Development, LLC – Casino Operator – Renewal**

*Board Member Noel March moved to approve BB Development, LLC's Casino Operator License Renewal Application. Board Member D'arcy Main-Boyington seconded the motion. Moved to roll call vote.*

**Members**

**Noel March**                                      **Yea**

**Steven Silver**                                      **Yea**

**Kelly Bickmore**                                      **Yea**

**D'arcy Main-Boyington**                      **Yea**

*4 In favor, the motion passed.*

**\*\*\*Break 10:30am to 10:42am\*\*\***

**7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS –**

**a) Patron A request for removal from self-exclusion list**

*Board Member Noel March moved to approve Patron A's request for removal. Board Member D'arcy Main-Boyington seconded the motion. Moved to roll call vote.*

**Members**

**Noel March**                                      **Yea**

**Steven Silver**                                      **Yea**

**Kelly Bickmore**                                      **Yea**

**D'arcy Main-Boyington**                      **Yea**

*4 In favor, the motion passed.*

**b) Follow up Penn Promotional Kiosks**

Representatives from Penn Entertainment presented the Board with information about the promotional kiosks that will be installed at Hollywood Casino. There was Board discussion, but the Board concluded that a vote was not needed.

**c) Consent Agreement GCB 2024-82**

Board Member D’arcy Main-Boyington moved to approve the revised Consent Agreement to resolve GCB 2024-82. Board Member Noel March seconded the motion. Moved to roll call vote.

**Members**

<b>Noel March</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Steven Silver</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Kelly Bickmore</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>D’arcy Main-Boyington</b>	<b>Yea</b>

4 In favor, the motion passed.

Board Member Noel March moved to approve delegating the power for Board Chair to sign the Consent Agreement on behalf of the Board. There was not a second made on this motion. Moved to roll call vote.

**Members**

<b>Noel March</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Steven Silver</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Kelly Bickmore</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>D’arcy Main-Boyington</b>	<b>Yea</b>

4 In favor, the motion passed.

**d) Rule Response – 19-A – Criteria for Independent Laboratory Certification**

Board Chair Steven Silver moved to republish the modified rule Chapter 19-A. There was not a second made to the motion. Moved to roll call vote.

**Members**

<b>Noel March</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Steven Silver</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Kelly Bickmore</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>D’arcy Main-Boyington</b>	<b>Yea</b>

4 In favor, the motion passed.

**e) Rule response – Chapter 13 Exclusion**

The Board reviewed and discussed the proposed basis statement and responses to comments.

Board Member Noel March moved to republish Chapter 13 as amended. Board Member D’arcy Main-Boyington seconded the motion. Moved to roll call vote.

**Members**

<b>Noel March</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Steven Silver</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>Kelly Bickmore</b>	<b>Yea</b>
<b>D’arcy Main-Boyington</b>	<b>Yea</b>

4 In favor, the motion passed.

**8. NEW BUSINESS**

None

**9. BOARD BUSINESS –**

Board Chair Silver introduced the new Board Member, D’arcy Main-Boyington.

Megan Scott, Maine Substance Use Prevention Program Manager, presented a few slides to the Board to update them on how the increase in funding from Sports Wagering Funds is being utilized.

*Board Member Noel March moved to adjourn the Gambling Control Board meeting. Board Member Kelly Bickmore seconded the motion. Moved to the roll call.*

<i>Noel March</i>	<i>Yea</i>
<i>Steven Silver</i>	<i>Yea</i>
<i>Kelly Bickmore</i>	<i>Yea</i>
<i>D'arcy Main-Boyington</i>	<i>Yea</i>

The meeting was adjourned at 11:28 a.m.

*Board approved: 6/17/2025*