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Gambling Control Board
Minutes of December 16, 2025, Board Meeting
Held in person at 45 Commerce Dr & online via Zoom application.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Steven Silver, Board Chair
Noel March, Board Member
Kelly Mackusick, Board Member (Virtual)
D'arcy Main-Boyington, Board Member
Joseph Hanslip, Board Member (Virtual)

STAFF PRESENT

Milton Champion, Executive Director
Matthew Motti, Deputy Director
Ryleigh Brown, Administrative Assistant
Mallory Reilly, Office Specialist
Amanda Spencer, Auditor
Alex Joutov, Auditor
Philip Mantis, Assistant Attorney General
Reid Hayon-Hull, Assistant Attorney General

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Steven Silver called the meeting to order at 9:12 am in person & via Zoom application online.

2. MINUTES REVIEW AND APPROVAL

October 28, 2025, Meeting Minutes Approval –

Board Member D'arcy Main-Boyington moved to approve the October 28, 2025, meeting minutes. Board member Noel March seconded the motion. Moved to roll call vote.

Members

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

5 In favor, the motion passed.

3. OPERATIONS REPORT – Deputy Director Matthew Motti

Operations – In October there were **(11)** Shipments of machines and/or associated equipment shipped to or from licensed facilities. In November there were **(15)**.

There were **(83)** work orders completed in October and **(81)** in November, which ranged from new game installs, removals, changing themes, operations and communications issues.

There were **(94)** entries in the inspector pass on log in October and **(58)** in November to share information not only from within the facility but also between the facilities.

In October there were **(2)** formal complaints, and in November there were **(3)**, with status updates reported in the complaint dashboard.

- (13)** Consent agreements are being completed by the Assistant Attorney Generals,
- (2)** Under review by the investigative committee,
- (4)** Under review by Complaint Committee
- (1)** Dismissed for insufficient gravity to warrant a formal investigation, and
- (3)** are being responded to by the facilities
- (2)** Being added to similar complaints
- (1)** Deferred to Board for review
- (1)** Under investigation.

There were **(2)** patron complaints.

Self-exclusions in August and September:

- (18)** - 1yr,
 - (3)** -3yr,
 - (3)** – 5 yr,
 - (5)** – Lifetime
-
- 29**

Self-exclusions in October and November:

- (10)** - 1yr,
 - (4)** -3yr,
 - (3)** – 5 yr,
 - (7)** - Lifetime
-
- 24**

Total as of September 2025:

- (109)** -1yr,
 - (41)** - 3yr,
 - (70)** - 5yr
 - (278)** – Lifetime
-
- 498**

Total as of November 2025:

- (104)** -1yr,
 - (43)** - 3yr,
 - (71)** - 5yr,
 - (281)** - Lifetime
-
- 499**

Lori Manson from ADEPT gave the following information regarding calls to 211 for October and November 2025:

Helpline Data	25-Oct	25-Nov	Totals
Total Helpline Calls	95	89	184
Calls entered into client database system	56	56	112
Problem Gambling Intakes	7	19	26
Calls from problem gamblers	7	17	24
Calls from others	0	2	2
Gambler is male	4	13	17
Gambler is female	1	5	6
Military/Veteran	0	0	0
18-24 (new age range 7/1/25)	1	2	3
25-34 (new age range 7/1/25)	1	6	7
35-44 (new age range 7/1/25)	1	0	1
45-54 (new age range 7/1/25)	1	2	3
55-64 (new age range 7/1/25)	0	0	0
65+ (new age range 7/1/25)	1	3	4
Age Unknown	2	6	8
Casino	1	6	7
Lottery	0	2	2
Sports betting	1	4	5
Online gambling	2	3	5
Other	2	5	7

Oxford PD reported (30) calls in October and November 2025. Some of which were:

- 3 Illegal activity
- 6 Risk management issues
- 7 Medical
- 5 Suspicious activities
- 4 Possible intoxication
- 3 Potential driving under the influence

Bangor PD reported (25) calls in October and November 2025. Some of which were:

- 4 Under Influence
- 5 Welfare checks
- 3 Informational
- 3 Theft
- 3 Open line 911
- 1 Assault
- 1 Harassment
- 4 Miscellaneous

4. FINANCIAL REPORT – April 2025 and May 2025 – Amanda Spencer

Tax Revenue collected from both Casinos to the State of Maine increased by 3.34% (or, by \$190,433) in October 2025 and increased by 3.94% (or, by \$211,299) in Nov 2025 compared to the same months in 2024.

Total Tax Revenue collected from both casinos so far during 2025 was \$64,093,839, which is an increase of 3.22% (or \$2,002,331) compared to the prior year.

Specifically, by Casino —

Oxford Casino reported a total net win from Slot machines of 7.27% and a total win from Table Games of 22.78% for Oct 2025; and a total net win from Slot machines of 7.72% and a total win from Table Games of 21.26% for November 2025.

Hollywood Casino reported a total net win from Slot machines of 8.42% and a total win from Table Games of 20.28% for Oct 2025; and a total net win from Slot machines of 8.08% and a total win from Table Games of 25.77% for Nov 2025.

In the area of Advance Deposit Wagering –

Revenue increased by 69.2% (or \$10,292) in Oct 2025 and increased by 60.2% (or \$9,720) in Nov 2025 compared to the same months last year.

Total Tax Revenue collected from out of state and in-state races so far this year was \$294,485, which is an increase of 50.1% (or \$98,287) from the same time last year.

5. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Director Champion began his report by giving a rulemaking update which included Chapter 19-A adopted October 29, 2025 as well as Chapter 5 Appendix A for GAT requirement and federal threshold reporting slot win.

The Director also gave a Legislature update including a new agency bill – LD 2007. This bill clarifies that operating or promoting an online sweepstakes game constitutes “unlawful gambling” within the meaning of the Maine Criminal Code and establishes additional civil penalties related to that unlawful conduct. Under the bill, if a person is found to operate or promote an online sweepstakes game and that person holds a license with the Gambling Control Unit or Gambling Control Board within the Department of Public Safety to operate certain gambling activities, the licensing entity must revoke that license. A person that violates the online sweepstakes games prohibition is also ineligible to receive one of the licenses specified by the bill which is for casino, ADW, fantasy, sports or charitable gaming.

6. LICENSE APPLICATIONS FOR REVIEW –

a.) NRT – Service vendor - Renewal

Board Member Noel March moved to table NRT renewal license as a Service vendor due to incomplete application. Board Member D’arcy Main-Boyington seconded the motion. Moved to roll call vote.

Members

<i>Noel March</i>	<i>Yea</i>
<i>Steven Silver</i>	<i>Yea</i>
<i>Kelly Mackusick</i>	<i>Yea</i>
<i>D’arcy Main-Boyington</i>	<i>Yea</i>

Joseph Hanslip *Abstained*

4 In favor, the motion passed.

b.) Pavillion Payments Gaming Services – Service vendor - Renewal

Board Member D’arcy Main-Boyington moved to approve Pavillion Payments Gaming Services renewal license as a Service vendor. Chair Steven Silver seconded the motion. Moved to roll call vote.

Members

Noel March *Yea*

Steven Silver *Yea*

Kelly Mackusick *Yea*

D’arcy Main-Boyington *Yea*

Joseph Hanslip *Yea*

5 In favor, the motion passed.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS –

There was no unfinished business.

8. NEW BUSINESS

a) Independent Laboratory Certification – Gaming Laboratory International (GLI)

Board Member Noel March moved to approve Gaming Laboratory International (GLI) as a Certified Independent Laboratory. Board Member D’arcy Main-Boyington Seconded the motion. Moved to roll call vote.

Members

Noel March *Yea*

Steven Silver *Yea*

Kelly Mackusick *Yea*

D’arcy Main-Boyington *Yea*

Joseph Hanslip *Yea*

5 In favor, the motion passed.

b) Independent Laboratory Certification - BMM

Board Member D’arcy Main-Boyington moved to approve BMM as a Certified Independent Laboratory. Board Member Noel March seconded the motion. Moved to roll call vote.

Members

Noel March *Yea*

Steven Silver *Yea*

Kelly Mackusick *Yea*

D’arcy Main-Boyington *Yea*

Joseph Hanslip *Yea*

5 In favor, the motion passed.

c) Board Review GCB 2025-127

.Board Members reviewed a notice of complaint. Board Member Noel March moved to issue a letter of concern for one year with no other discipline. D’arcy Main-Boyington seconded the motion. Moved to roll call vote.

Members

Noel March **Yea**

Steven Silver **Yea**

Kelly Mackusick **Yea**

D’arcy Main-Boyington **Yea**

Joseph Hanslip **Yea**

5 In favor, the motion passed.

d) Consent Agreements GCB 2024-87,89,95

Board Member D’arcy Main-Boyington moved to approve the Consent Agreement for GCB 2024-87,89,95 and to amend the Agreement to update the date in Para. 25 to the date of the meeting (12/16/25). Board Member Noel March seconded the motion. Moved to roll call vote.

Members

Noel March **Yea**

Steven Silver **Yea**

Kelly Mackusick **Yea**

D’arcy Main-Boyington **Yea**

Joseph Hanslip **Yea**

5 In favor, the motion passed.

e) Consent Agreements GCB 2025-105,109,110,117,119

Board Member D’arcy Main-Boyington moved to approve the Consent Agreement for GCB 2025-105,109,110,117,119 and to amend the Agreement to update the date in Para. 24 to the date of the meeting (12/16/25). 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**

Joseph Hanslip **Yea**

5 In favor, the motion passed.

f) Consent Agreements GCB 2025-118

Board Member Noel March moved to adopt the Consent Agreement for GCB 2025-118 and to amend the Agreement to update the date in Para. 13 to the date of the meeting (12/16/25). Board Member D’arcy Main-Boyington seconded the motion. Moved to roll call vote.

Members

Noel March **Yea**

Steven Silver **Yea**

Kelly Mackusick *Yea*
D'arcy Main-Boyington *Yea*
Joseph Hanslip *Yea*
5 in favor, motion passed.

g) Patron A – Request for Removal from self-exclusion

Board Member D'arcy Main-Boyington moved to approve the request for Patron A to be removed from the self-exclusion list. Chair Steven Silver seconded the motion. Moved to roll call vote.

Members

Noel March *Abstained*
Steven Silver *Yea*
Kelly Mackusick *Yea*
D'arcy Main-Boyington *Yea*
Joseph Hanslip *Yea*
4 in favor, motion passed.

9. BOARD BUSINESS –

Chair Steven Silver raised the topic of the Board sending a letter that he drafted to the Governor regarding the Board's concerns about LD 1164. Board Member Noel March proposed a motion for the Board to send the letter to the Governor. Chair Steven Silver moved to approve the motion. Board Member Kelly Mackusick seconded the motion. Moved to roll call vote.

Members

Noel March *Yea*
Steven Silver *Yea*
Kelly Mackusick *Yea*
D'arcy Main-Boyington *Yea*
Joseph Hanslip *Yea*
5 in favor, motion passed.

10. PUBLIC COMMENTS –

Oxford Casino informed the Board that they'd been notified on October 31st that Gaming Partners International (GPI) sold their dice manufacturing business to TCS John Huxly. TCS John Huxly is not yet approved as a manufacturer in the State of Maine (and in fact has not yet filed an application to become licensed). Per Oxford, there are no other approved dice manufacturers. There is a threat that the Casinos will run out of dice before February, which would force Oxford to close the craps tables until they are able to obtain more dice from a licensed provider.

Oxford Casino also explained its plans for customer cash payouts once the casino runs out of pennies, which is to round up to the nearest nickel.

Hollywood intends to do the same thing.

11. Next Meeting – February 10, 2026 @ 9:00am – Gambling Control Unit office in Augusta.

