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Gambling Control Board
Minutes of November 16, 2021 Board Meeting
Held online via Zoom application.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Steven Silver called the meeting to order at 9:02 am via Zoom application online due to the current coronavirus pandemic.

MEMBERS PRESENT ONLINE

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

STAFF PRESENT ONLINE

Milton Champion, Executive Director
Mallory Reilly, Office Specialist I
Cami Hippler, Office Assistant II

Katie Johnson, Assistant Attorney General
John Nichols, Assistant Attorney General

MINUTES REVIEW AND APPROVAL

October 2021 Meeting Minutes approval

Mr. Joseph Hanslip moves to approve the October 26, 2021 meeting minutes. Ms. Sari Greene seconded the motion. Moves to roll call.

Members

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

The motion passed 3 in favor, 1 abstention, motion passes.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

In October 2021 there were 9 shipments of machines and/or associated equipment shipped to or from licensed facilities. On-site inspectors completed 751 observations and 36 checklists. There were 10 self-exclusions. There were 3 minor potential violations that will continue to be monitored from our activity log. There were 0 patron complaints and 2 formal complaints of potential violations placed on the dashboard.

For the month of October 2021, the Unit has identified an increase of 58% in total tax revenue for both facilities versus October 2020. Year to date the Unit has identified an increase of 107% versus last year at the same time. Oxford reported an 8.0% win for the month of October from slots and 23.6% win from table games. Oxford's payback percentage was 91.9%. Average gross win per machine of \$258.02. Hollywood reported an 9.6% average win for the month of October from slots and 29.4% win from table games. Hollywood's payback percentage was 90.4%. Average gross win per machine was \$225.01.

The Unit has two bills in the upcoming short session beginning in January 2022 and ending in April. LD 2200 is An Act to Amend Certain Definitions in the Statutes Governing the Gambling Control Board, removing electronic facsimile from the definition in 8 M.R.S. § 1001(13-A) and (43-A) and adding electronic table game. LD 2197 is an Act to Amend the Laws Governing the Gambling Control Board, offering at the time of renewal a one-year or three-year license saving \$25 for the third year or the third year is free. One year is \$25, three years is \$50.

The Unit is waiting on the approved appropriations to initiate an online application for individuals of casino operators, distributors and service vendors. This will enable an individual to complete the process and potentially get a temporary license the same day.

STATE POLICE REPORT

Detective Armstrong was not present at the meeting and will give a double report in December.

License Applications for Review-

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Self-Exclusion Request for Removal Guidelines – Report on Ohio/Maryland Workbook

The Board reviewed a Voluntary Exclusion Program Participant Workbook that is being used in other states. Board members would like to have an opportunity to ask questions of Lori Manson, Adcare.

Ms. Sari Greene moves to table this discussion upon further review and consultation with the experts. Chair Silver 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.

NEW BUSINESS

Appendix A – Rulemaking changes Board MICS

The Board members discussed proposed changes to the Minimum Internal Control Standards in Appendix A to the Board's Rules. There was some discussion surrounding electronic table games and Section III(E), which concerns the removal of drop boxes and cash storage boxes.

Chief Noel March moves to table the discussion upon further review of Section III(E). Ms. Sari Greene seconded the motion. 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.

Board Business-

Chair Silver noted that Hollywood Casino received the 2021 Hire Vets Medallion award from the U.S. Department of Labor.

PUBLIC COMMENT –

N/A

ADJOURNMENT

Chief Noel March moves to adjourn the Gambling Control Board meeting. Ms. Sari Greene seconded the motion. 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, motion passes.

The meeting adjourns at 9:51 AM. The next Board meeting will be held on December 21, 2021 at 9:00am.

Respectfully submitted by:

Mallory Reilly

Office Specialist I

Board approved: 12/21/2021