

# PENNSYLVANIA LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD

## MEETING MINUTES

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 11, 2022

NORTHWEST OFFICE BUILDING, CONFERENCE ROOM 117, HARRISBURG, PA  
TELEPHONE CONFERENCE MEETING

Tim Holden, Chairman  
Mike Negra, Board Member  
Mary Isenhour, Board Member  
Michael Demko, Executive Director  
Michael Vigoda, Board Secretary

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### PUBLIC MEETING – 11:00 A.M

#### CALL TO ORDER ..... *Chairman Holden*

Board Secretary Michael Vigoda indicated that a quorum of the Board was present, and Chairman Holden called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Chairman Holden expressed gratitude to all for accommodating the meeting date change which was necessary due to a conflict affecting his schedule.

#### OLD BUSINESS..... *Secretary Vigoda*

- A. Motion to approve previous Board Meeting Minutes of the July 27, 2022 meeting.

**Motion Made:** Board Member Negra  
**Seconded:** Board Member Isenhour

**Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve previous Board Meeting Minutes.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

The Board has reserved 10 minutes for Public Comment on printed agenda items.

Caller Patty Smith expressed concern with regard to the teleconference audio quality. Chairman Holden indicated he was aware Ms. Smith had called on the date the meeting was originally scheduled to be held and reiterated the motion which had just been made regarding approval of the previous Board Meeting Minutes. Board Member Isenhour and the teleconference coordinator both confirmed that the audio quality was satisfactory, and Ms. Smith stated that she would call back later during the meeting or after the meeting.

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Caller Lisa Brown then inquired as to when license auctions would resume. Chairman Holden stated that decisions regarding counties to be affected by auctions had been made very recently and, after receiving confirmation from Director of Regulatory Affairs Tisha Albert that an announcement would be made on September 7, he advised Ms. Brown to anticipate a public opening for bids in November.

**NEW BUSINESS**

*From the Office of Chief Counsel .....Rodrigo Diaz, Chief Counsel*

(1) **M.K. Hahn, Inc.** Request for Modification of Conditional Licensing Agreement  
23 Main Street  
Eldred, Pennsylvania 16731-4417  
Restaurant Liquor License No. R-14650  
LID 82417

**Motion Made:** Board Member Negra  
**Seconded:** Board Member Isenhour

**Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve request for modification of conditional licensing agreement.

(2) **HN Gourmet, Inc.** Request for Modification of Conditional Licensing Agreement  
114 Market Street  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19106-3006  
Restaurant Liquor License No. R-4073  
LID 108077

**Motion Made:** Board Member Negra  
**Seconded:** Board Member Isenhour

**Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve request for modification of conditional licensing agreement.

(3) **White Owl Inn, LLC** Request for Rescission of Conditional Licensing Agreement  
443 East Shamokin Street  
Trevorton, Pennsylvania 17881-1632  
Restaurant Liquor License No. R-15869  
LID 60644

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**Motion Made:** Board Member Negra  
**Seconded:** Board Member Isenhour

**Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve request for rescission of conditional licensing agreement upon approval of transfer.

- (4) **City Of Altoona** Municipal Petition for Exemption from Liquor Code  
Case No. 22-NE-07 Statute Regarding Amplified Sound

**Motion Made:** Board Member Negra  
**Seconded:** Board Member Isenhour

**Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve noise exemption from August 21, 2022 through August 21, 2027.

- (5) **Lower Alsace Township** Municipal Petition for Exemption from Liquor Code  
Case No. 22-NE-08 Statute Regarding Amplified Sound

**Motion Made:** Board Member Negra  
**Seconded:** Board Member Isenhour

**Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve noise exemption area to cover nine licensees from August 11, 2022 through August 11, 2023.

- (6) **Spuds Bar & Grill, LLC** ALJ Appeal  
1120 Blackstone Road  
Connellsville, PA 15425-3802  
License No. R-17617/LID 81505  
Citation No. 19-1006

**Motion Made:** Board Member Negra

Chairman Holden asked if there was anyone on the line representing Spuds Bar & Grill, LLC. There was no response.

**Seconded:** Board Member Isenhour

**Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to dismiss petition for leave to appeal *nunc pro tunc*.

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*From the Bureau of Licensing .....Tisha Albert, Director of Regulatory Affairs  
Stephanie McGrath, Acting Director, Bureau of Licensing*

- (1) **Adre Cedarfish, LLC** Place-to-Place Transfer –  
R-13583 (LID No. 85483) Case No. 22-9068 Restaurant  
2448 East Huntingdon Street  
Philadelphia, Philadelphia County

**Motion Made:** Board Member Negra

Chairman Holden asked if there was anyone on the line representing Adre Cedarfish, LLC.  
There was no response.

**Seconded:** Board Member Isenhour

**Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to refuse transfer.

- (2) **Pocono Whitewater Ltd.** Appointment of Manager –  
R-13647 (LID No. 29541) Case No. 22-9020 Restaurant  
1519 State Route 903 **HOLD – 6/22/22 SESSION**  
Penn Forest Township  
Jim Thorpe, Carbon County

**Motion Made:** Board Member Negra

**Seconded:** Board Member Isenhour

**Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve appointment of manager.

- (3) **P & R Beverages, Inc.** Notice of Change in Business  
D-3246 (LID No. 68121) Case No. 21-9073 Structure – Distributor  
1540 Cowpath Road, Suite C & D  
Hatfield Township  
Hatfield, Montgomery County

**Motion Made:** Board Member Negra

**Seconded:** Board Member Isenhour

**Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve notice of change in  
business structure.

- (4) **Trout Run Beverage, LLC** Extension of License & Request for  
D-3744 (LID No. 107445) Interior Connections with Another  
68-71 Highway 14 Business – Distributor  
Lewis Township  
Trout Run, Lycoming County

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**Motion Made:** Board Member Negra  
**Seconded:** Board Member Isenhour

**Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve extension of license & request for interior connections with another business.

- (5) **WSA II, LLC** Request for Hearing After  
R-9578 (LID No. 48792) Case No. 22-9028 Administrative Cancellation –  
411 Swedeland Road “Intermunicipal” Place-to-Place  
Building 23 Transfer & Revocation of License  
Upper Merion Township –  
King of Prussia, Montgomery County Restaurant

Chief Counsel Rodrigo Diaz indicated that counsel for WSA II, LLC had reached out to the Board Secretary to request that this matter be put on hold due to the meeting date change which precluded him and his client from attending the meeting.

**Motion Made:** Board Member Negra  
**Seconded:** Board Member Isenhour

**Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to hold for August 31, 2022 meeting.

- (6) **49 Falone, Inc.** Renewal – District 11  
E-4897 (LID No. 59386) Case No. 2021-59386  
47-49 East Chester Pike  
Glenolden, Delaware County

**Motion Made:** Board Member Negra  
**Seconded:** Board Member Isenhour

**Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to hold for conditional licensing agreement.

- (7) **312 Denden, Inc.** Renewal – District 1  
R-6139 (LID No. 82273) Case No. 2022-82273  
312 Market St  
Philadelphia, Philadelphia County

**Motion Made:** Board Member Negra  
**Seconded:** Board Member Isenhour

**Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to hold for conditional licensing agreement.

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- (8) **A&C 19 LLC** Renewal – District 9  
**t/a The Black Road Pub & Eatery**  
R-17644 (LID No. 100995) Case No. 2021-100995  
320-322 Keyser Avenue  
Old Forge, Lackawanna County

**Motion Made:** Board Member Negra  
**Seconded:** Board Member Isenhour

**Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve renewal.

- (9) **Burke’s Inn, Inc.** Renewal – District 11  
R-3962 (LID No. 11221) Case No. 2021-11221  
25 East Eagle Road, Oakmont  
Havertown, Delaware County

**Motion Made:** Board Member Negra  
**Seconded:** Board Member Isenhour

**Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve renewal.

- (10) **Carrick Literary & Social Assn.** Renewal – District 5  
CC-776 (LID No. 707) Case No. 2021-707  
210 Copperfield Street  
Pittsburgh, Allegheny County

**Motion Made:** Board Member Negra  
**Seconded:** Board Member Isenhour

**Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve renewal with existing conditional licensing agreement.

- (11) **Doopole II, Inc.** Renewal – District 11  
E-2909 (LID 41921) Case No. 2021-41921  
6 E 21<sup>st</sup> Street  
Chester, Delaware County

**Motion Made:** Board Member Negra  
**Seconded:** Board Member Isenhour

**Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve renewal.

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- (12) **Froggy’s Capital, LLC** Renewal – District 5  
**t/a Froggy’s Bar**  
R-307 (LID No. 90820) Case No. 2021-90820 **HOLD - 6/22/22 SESSION**  
4602 Liberty Avenue  
Pittsburgh, Allegheny County **Conditional Licensing Agreement**
- Motion Made:** Board Member Negra  
**Seconded:** Board Member Isenhour
- Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve renewal with conditional licensing agreement.
- (13) **GC417, Inc.** Renewal – District 9  
**t/a Shaffer’s Pub & Eatery**  
R-4733 (LID No. 83109) Case No. 2021-83109  
3305 Birney Ave  
Moosic, Lackawanna County
- Motion Made:** Board Member Negra  
**Seconded:** Board Member Isenhour
- Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve renewal.
- (14) **Gemstar Enterprises, Inc.** Renewal – District 8  
**t/a Ruby’s Saloon**  
H-1182 (LID No. 56804) Case No. 2020-56804 **HOLD – 6/22/22 SESSION**  
298 Bridge Street  
Lehighton, Carbon County **Conditional Licensing Agreement**
- Motion Made:** Board Member Negra  
**Seconded:** Board Member Isenhour
- Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve renewal with conditional licensing agreement.
- (15) **Gravity Inn, Inc.** Renewal – District 9  
R-16346 (LID No. 53116) Case No. 2021- 53116  
10 Gravity Place  
P.O. Box 94  
Waymart, Wayne County
- Motion Made:** Board Member Negra  
**Seconded:** Board Member Isenhour
- Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve renewal.

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- (16) **Jay Brahmani Maa Beer Store, LLC** Renewal – District 9  
E-3226 (LID No. 96859) Case No. 2021-96859  
1347 North Main Avenue  
Scranton, Lackawanna County
- Motion Made:** Board Member Negra  
**Seconded:** Board Member Isenhour
- Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve renewal.
- (17) **Jimmy GS Beverly Hills Tavern, Inc.** Renewal – District 3  
R-16629 (LID No. 69573) Case No. 2021-69573  
710 Old Fritztown Road  
Sinking Spring, Berks County
- Motion Made:** Board Member Negra  
**Seconded:** Board Member Isenhour
- Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve renewal of license and amusement permit.
- (18) **Livia’s Holdings, LLC** Renewal – District 9  
**Side Street Bar & Grill**  
R-1415 (LID No. 101710) Case No. 2021-101710  
124 Dingmans Court  
Dingmans Ferry, Pike County
- Motion Made:** Board Member Negra  
**Seconded:** Board Member Isenhour
- Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve renewal.
- (19) **Mowa Inc** Renewal – District 2  
**t/a Pints Bar and Grill**  
H-996 (LID 59113) Case No. 2022-59113 **Conditional Licensing Agreement**  
25 S 4<sup>th</sup> St.  
Harrisburg, Dauphin County
- Motion Made:** Board Member Negra  
**Seconded:** Board Member Isenhour
- Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve renewal with conditional licensing agreement.



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- (20) **Nilkanth Corp of PA** Renewal – District 9  
R-14880 (LID No, 97843) Case No. 2021-97843  
349 S Main Avenue  
Scranton, Lackawanna County
- Motion Made:** Board Member Negra  
**Seconded:** Board Member Isenhour
- Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to hold for conditional licensing agreement.
- (21) **One Way, Inc.** Renewal – District 9  
**t/a The County Seat Rest. and Motor Inn**  
R-19047 (LID No. 53664) Case No. 2021-53664 **Conditional Licensing Agreement**  
134 Maple Street  
Montrose, Susquehanna County
- Motion Made:** Board Member Negra  
**Seconded:** Board Member Isenhour
- Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve renewal with conditional licensing agreement.
- (22) **Sai Shyam Corp** Renewal – District 9  
R-21114 (LID 72323) Case No. 2021-72323  
639 Seven Bridge Road  
Smithfield Township  
East Stroudsburg, Monroe County
- Motion Made:** Board Member Negra  
**Seconded:** Board Member Isenhour
- Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to hold.
- (23) **Tom’s Pizza Place, Inc.** Renewal District 11  
R-14271 (LID 65959) Case No. 21-65959  
3223 Concord Rd.  
Aston Township, Delaware County
- Motion Made:** Board Member Negra  
**Seconded:** Board Member Isenhour
- Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to hold for conditional licensing agreement.

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(24) **Trackside Tavern LLC** Renewal – District 2  
R-13919 (LID 66541) Case No. 2022-66541  
118 Main Street  
PO Box 244  
Mifflin, Juniata County

**Motion Made:** Board Member Negra  
**Seconded:** Board Member Isenhour

**Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to hold for conditional licensing agreement.

Chief Counsel Diaz requested clarification as to the motion which had been made with regard to Licensing agenda item # 17--Jimmy GS Beverly Hills Tavern, Inc. After Board Member Negra confirmed that he had in fact intended to make a motion to approve the renewal of the license at issue in addition to the related amusement permit, a revised vote was taken.

*From the Bureau of Human Resources ..... Jason Lutcavage, Director of Administration  
Jennifer Haas, Director, Bureau of Human Resources*

Personnel Actions

There were 10 personnel actions presented for consideration.

- (1) **Janelle Brum – Affirm Removal**
- (2) **Jada Caruso – Affirm Removal**
- (3) **Yamiris Cruz-Olivera – Affirm Removal**
- (4) **Nakhaiah Everett – Removal**
- (5) **Brandon Foley – Removal**
- (6) **Robyn Foller – Affirm Removal**
- (7) **Courtney Kolenkiewicz – Affirm Removal**
- (8) **Osmond Mincarelli – Removal**
- (9) **Frederick Wardell – Affirm Removal**
- (10) **Angel West - Removal**

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**Motion Made:** Board Member Negra  
**Seconded:** Board Member Isenhour

**Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve all Personnel Actions.

*From the Bureau of Accounting & Purchasing .....Michael Demko, Executive Director  
Koppolu Ravindraraj, Director, Bureau of Accounting & Purchasing  
Mike Freeman, Director, Bureau of Financial Management & Analysis*

Procurement Actions:

None

Inter-Agency Charges:

None

*From the Office of Retail Operations .....Michael Demko, Executive Director*

- (1) #0265 – Deer Lakes Plaza, 908 Little Deer Creek Valley Rd., Russellton  
Amendment
- (2) #0906 – Pennsbury Plaza, 229 Plaza Boulevard, Unit 2, Morrisville  
Amendment
- (3) #0928 – The Shoppes at Flower Mill, 118 N. Flowers Mill Road, Langhorne  
Amendment
- (4) #1603 – 58 Staples Plaza, Suite 150, Clarion  
Amendment

**Motion Made:** Board Member Negra  
**Seconded:** Board Member Isenhour

**Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve all Retail Operations actions.

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*From the Bureau of Product Selection .....Tom Bowman, Director of Product Selection*

**VENDOR – ITEM NAME**

**BOARD ACTION REQUESTED**

Various	1. Regular New Items Accepted
Various	2. Regular PA New Items Accepted
Various	3. Regular Recommended Delist
Various	4. Regular Recommended Delist Revision

**1. Regular New Items Accepted**

**BRAND NAME AND SIZE**

**REASON**

**Southern Glazers Wine and Spirits of PA**

Uptown Cocktails Chocolatini Wine Cocktail 1.5 L	18
Uptown Cocktails Lemon Tea Wine Cocktail 1.5 L	18
Uptown Cocktails Strawberry Margarita Wine Cocktail 1.5 L	18

**Wine Wine Situation LLC**

Ron San Miguel Solera Rum 8 Year Old 750 mL	5
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RECOMMENDED ACTION: We recommend the Board approve this action

**2. Regular PA New Items Accepted**

**BRAND NAME AND SIZE**

**REASON**

**Midstate Distillery**

Pennsylvucky Four Grain Bourbon 750 mL	16
Pennsylvucky Orange Label Straight Bourbon 750 mL	16

**Pine Creek Spirits**

Mule Ginger and Lime Vodka Cocktail 4x355 mL Cans	16
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RECOMMENDED ACTION: We recommend the Board approve this action

**New Items – Recommended Listings**

**Reason Codes**

1. Strong marketing support
2. High brand recognition
3. Line/Size extension of successful brand
4. Trade up opportunity
5. Growing category
6. Growing segment

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7. National rollout
8. Niche item / Limited distribution
9. High dollar profit potential
10. Trade out
11. High quality for the value
12. Innovative product/ flavor
13. High sales through other PLCB channels (Luxury, Online, SLO)
14. Underrepresented category/segment
15. Hole in selection – consumer/store requests
16. PA Spirits
17. PA Wines
18. Licensee only
19. Probationary listing

### 3. Regular Recommended Delist

<u>BRAND NAME AND SIZE</u>	<u>CODE</u>
<u>Southern Glazers Wine and Spirits of PA</u> Jam Cellars Jam Cabernet Sauvignon 750 mL	7786

EFFECTIVE DATE: The transference to closeout will become effective September 9, 2022

### 4. Regular Recommended Delist Revision

<u>RAND NAME AND SIZE</u>	<u>CODE</u>
<b>RESCIND</b>	
<u>Banfi Products Corp</u> Castello Banfi Chianti Superiore 750 mL	4633
Castello Banfi Rosso di Montalcino 750 mL	8239
Col Di Sasso Cabernet Sauvignon Sangiovese Toscana 750 mL	4127
Placido Pinot Grigio 1.5 L	8112

**NOTE:** Products were sent to board as delists on 6-22-22.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: We recommend the Board approve this action

**Motion Made:** Board Member Negra  
**Seconded:** Board Member Isenhour

**Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve all Product Selection actions.

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**FINANCIAL REPORT** ..... *Michael J. Burns, Comptroller Operations, Office of Budget*

None

**OTHER ISSUES**

None

**CITIZEN COMMENT/BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR**

None

**NEXT BOARD MEETING**

**The next meeting of the PLCB will be a formal meeting on Wednesday August 31, 2022 beginning at 11:00 A.M. Prior to the public meeting, there will be an Executive Session to discuss matters of personnel and to engage in non-deliberative informational discussions, some of which are regarding actions and matters which have been approved at previous public meetings.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion by Board Member Negra, seconded by Board Member Isenhour, the meeting was adjourned.

The foregoing actions are hereby officially approved.

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Chairman

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Member

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Member

ATTEST:

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Secretary