PENNSYLVANIA LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6, 2025 NORTHWEST OFFICE BUILDING, CONFERENCE ROOM 117, HARRISBURG, PA MICROSOFT TEAMS MEETING

Darrell Clarke, Chairman Randy Vulakovich, Board Member James Brewster, Board Member Rodrigo Diaz, Executive Director Michael Vigoda, Board Secretary Office of Chief Counsel
Bureau of Licensing
Bureau of Human Resources
Bureau of Accounting & Purchasing

Office of Retail Operations
Bureau of Product Management
Financial Report

Other Issues

PUBLIC MEETING - 11:00 A.M

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

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

OLD BUSINESS Secretary Vigoda

A. Motion to approve previous Board Meeting Minutes of the July 16, 2025, meeting.

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich Seconded: Board Member Brewster

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve the previous Board Meeting

Minutes of the July 16, 2025, meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

As explained in the printed Meeting Agenda, certain matters being presented for "official action" at today's meeting have been discussed during Executive Sessions held prior to today's meeting as permitted by the Sunshine Act.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The Board reserved 10 minutes for public comment.

An individual identified as "Jamie" addressed the Board concerning an ongoing case involving the Germantown Nest No. 1624 Order of the Owls and a three year wait for the transfer of its license. Jamie noted that a hearing was held in December 2024, but no action has been presented to the Board for a

vote, and expressed concern that the delay between the hearing and Board action is too long. Chairman Clarke agreed that such delays are unacceptable and stated that the matter would be reviewed and Jamie would be contacted with a status update.

NEW BUSINESS

(1) Borough of Wormleysburg

Case No. 25-NE-09

Municipal Petition for Exemption from Liquor Code Statute Regarding

Amplified Sound

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich Seconded: Board Member Brewster

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve the petition for exemption from

the Liquor Code provisions regarding amplified sound for a 5-year period

from August 6, 2025, to August 5, 2030.

(2) Upper Allen Township Case No. 25-NE-11 Municipal Petition for Exemption from Liquor Code Statute Regarding

Amplified Sound

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich
Seconded: Board Member Brewster

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve the petition for exemption from

the Liquor Code provisions regarding amplified sound for a 3-year period

from August 21, 2025, to August 21, 2028.

(3) Goodfella's Inc.

ALJ Appeal

1101 South Centre Street Pottsville, PA 17901-9218 License No. R-17704/LID 43431 Citation No. 22-0429

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich
Seconded: Board Member Brewster

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) that the appeal of the Bureau be granted

and the decision of the ALJ be reversed as to all three counts of the citation and that the matter be remanded for the imposition of an appropriate penalty at each count in accordance with the with the draft opinion and

order as presented by the Office of Chief Counsel.

(4) 7 Brothers Minimarket, Inc. **ALJ** Appeal

800-02 West Allegheny Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19133-2019 License No. E-141/LID 72864

Citation No. 23-0623

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich Seconded: **Board Member Brewster**

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) that the appeal of the licensee be dismissed

> and the decision of the ALJ be affirmed and that the matter be remanded to ensure compliance in accordance with the draft opinion and order as

presented by the Office of Chief Counsel.

From the Bureau of LicensingTisha Albert, Director of Regulatory Affairs Andrew Stuffick, Director, Bureau of Licensing

(1) Ambrosia Ristorante, LLC Extension of License – Restaurant

R-12603 (LID No. 100200) Case No. 24-9185

231-233 South 24th Street

HOLD 6/4/25 SESSION

Philadelphia, Philadelphia County

Conditional Licensing Agreement

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich Seconded: **Board Member Brewster**

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve extension with an amended

conditional licensing agreement.

(2) Boston's Harbor & Cape, LLC t/a Boston's Harbor & Cape

R-3792 (LID No. 121670) Case No. 24-9133

202 Baughman Avenue

Jeannette, Westmoreland County

Person-to-Person Transfer –

Restaurant

HOLD 6/25/25 SESSION

Conditional Licensing Agreement

Board Member Vulakovich **Motion Made: Seconded: Board Member Brewster**

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve the transfer with a conditional

(3) Fifty First Street, LLC

t/a Spirit

R-9716 (LID No. 70577) Case No. 24-9033

242 51st Street

Pittsburgh, Allegheny County

Extension of License – Restaurant

HOLD 2/5/25 SESSION

Conditional Licensing Agreement

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich Seconded: Board Member Brewster

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve the extension with an amended

conditional licensing agreement.

(4) Good News Holdings Corporation

t/a Joe Beer

D-3936 (LID No. 119391) 3471 Sharon Road West Middlesex, Mercer County Request to be Engaged in Another

Business-Distributor

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich
Seconded: Board Member Brewster

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to put this matter on hold.

(5) KPS Holdings, LLC

D-3645 (LID No. 121398) Case No. 24-9097

2104 Brownsville Road Pittsburgh, Allegheny County Double Transfer & Requests to be Engaged in Another Business & Dual Employment – Distributor

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich Seconded: Board Member Brewster

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve transfer and request to be

engaged in another business and dual employments.

(6) MJKKS LLC

Extension of License – Restaurant

t/a Linx on Carson

R-10398 (LID No. 115028) Case No. 23-9135 1713 East Carson Street Pittsburgh, Allegheny County

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich Seconded: Board Member Brewster

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

agreement.

(7) Roosevelt Club

CC-5614 (LID No. 2565) Case No. 24-9072

1661 Mill Road

Upper Chichester Township

Boothwyn, Delaware County

Request for Hearing after Administrative Cancellation – "Intermunicipal" Place-to-Place

"Intermunicipal" Double Transfer &

with Another Business – Restaurant

Request for Interior Connections

Notice of Change in Business

HOLD 6/25/25 SESSION

Conditional Licensing Agreement

Conditional Licensing Agreement

Structure – Hotel

Renewal – District 6

Transfer – Catering Club

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich
Seconded: Board Member Brewster

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to put a hold on this matter.

Board Member Vulakovich

(8) Sheetz, Inc.

t/a Sheetz #828

R-3473 (LID No. 125711) Case No. 24-9146

11 East Pike Street

Motion Made:

Houston, Washington County

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Seconded: Board Member Brewster

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve the double transfer and request

for interior connections with another business.

(9) SKAC, Inc.

t/a Spunktown Tavern

H-2416 (LID No. 49680) Case No. 24-9175

699 Englesville Road

Colebrookdale Township Boyertown, Berks County

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich Seconded: Board Member Brewster

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

structure with a conditional licensing agreement.

(10) 5th Avenue Taphouse, Inc.

t/a 5th Avenue Taphouse

R-66 (LID No. 105902) Case No. 2024-105902

631 5th Avenue

New Brighton, Beaver County

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Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich
Seconded: Board Member Brewster

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve renewal with a conditional

(11) Bube's Restaurants, Inc.

Renewal – District 2

H-77 (LID No. 43571) Case No. 2023-43571

102 North Market Street

HOLD 6/4/25 SESSION

Mount Joy, Lancaster County

Conditional Licensing Agreement

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich Seconded: Board Member Brewster

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve renewal with a conditional

licensing agreement.

(12) Jai Khodiyar, Inc.

Renewal – District 9

R-14880 (LID No. 115393) Case No. 2023-115393

349 South Main Avenue Scranton, Lackawanna County

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich Seconded: Board Member Brewster

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to hold for an amended conditional

licensing agreement.

(13) Johnstown Beer and Eats

Renewal – District 1

t/a Country Garden 6 Pak Featuring Red's BBQ

R-18176 (LID No. 106095) Case No. 2023-106095 HOI

3116 Elton Road Richland Township Johnstown, Cambria County HOLD 7/16/25 SESSION

Conditional Licensing Agreement

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich Seconded: Board Member Brewster

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve renewal with an amended

conditional licensing agreement.

(14) Mofonlounge, LLC

Renewal – District 8

t/a Mofonlounge

R-15416 (LID No. 107705) Case No. 2024-107705

HOLD 5/14/25 SESSION

120 Academy Street

Wilkes-Barre, Luzerne County

Conditional Licensing Agreement

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich
Seconded: Board Member Brewster

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve renewal with a conditional

(15) Rileerider Restaurant Corp

Renewal – District 6

R-14438 (LID No. 56071) Case No. 2023-56071

816 Merchant Street

HOLD 2/26/25 SESSION

Ambridge, Beaver County

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich

Chairman Clarke asked if anyone in the audience wished to speak on behalf

of Rileerider Restaurant Corporation. There was no response.

Seconded: Board Member Brewster

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

(16) **RYPD, LLC** Renewal – District 11

H-5645 (LID No. 72800) Case No. 2023-72800

920-922 Simpson Street HOLD 6/25/25 SESSION

Eddystone, Delaware County

Conditional Licensing Agreement

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich
Seconded: Board Member Brewster

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve renewal with a conditional

licensing agreement.

(17) **Tube City Café, Inc.** Renewal – District 11

t/a Tube City Café

R-5733 (LID No. 11975) Case No. 2025-11975 Conditional Licensing Agreement

901 Fifth Avenue

McKeesport, Allegheny County

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich
Seconded: Board Member Brewster

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve renewal with a conditional

Personnel Actions

There were 16 personnel actions presented for consideration.

- (1) Ty'leigha Braswell-Brown Affirm Removal
- (2) Charles Braxton Removal
- (3) Ashley Burns Affirm Removal
- (4) Kenny Danh Affirm Removal
- (5) Brian Gross Removal
- (6) Joshua Hemingway Affirm Removal
- (7) Erica Johnson Removal
- (8) Melanie Jones Affirm Removal
- (9) Akasha Lessene Affirm Removal
- (10) Tracey Manning Affirm Removal
- (11) Chaneel McCleary Removal
- (12) Etienne Mundy Removal
- (13) James Nahra Affirm Removal
- (14) Lucas Ostermeyer Removal
- (15) Jessica Santiago Removal
- (16) Sharon Saunders-Daniels Affirm Removal

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich
Seconded: Board Member Brewster

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve the recommended personnel actions

received from the Bureau of Human Resources.

Procurement Actions:

(1) **Key Card Access System for the 3 Regional Offices** – The PLCB requirement is for an access control system at each site tied into the existing Lenel OnGuard system. All doors must remain locked when there is no electrical power in the building for extended periods which means magnetic locks are not acceptable for this job. All electric locks must be electro-mechanical locks that remain locked when there is no building power. All new doors will work with the existing PLCB ID card which is prox technology.

Procured via IFB – VENDOR: **M3T Corporation – \$120,972.29 estimated cost.** TERM: 3 years of service with the install.

Inter-Agency Charges:

None

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich Seconded: Board Member Brewster

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve the procurement actions

received from the Bureau of Accounting and Purchasing.

- (1) #2102 West Shore Plaza, 1200 Market Street, Ste. 212, Lemoyne Exercise Option
- (2) #3610 Muddy Creek Shoppes, 2350 North Reading Road, Denver Exercise Option
- (3) #1506 Ashbridge Shopping Center, 861 Lancaster Avenue, Downingtown Amendment
- (4) #2201 29 Kline Village, Harrisburg Amendment
- (5) #3520 Greenridge Plaza, 1618 Nay Aug Avenue, Scranton Amendment (temporary space)
- (6) #3523 Hillside Plaza, 771 Scranton-Carbondale Highway, Eynon Amendment
- (7) #4023 Insalaco Shopping Center, 801 Wyoming Avenue, West Pittston Amendment

(8) #4642 – The Marketplace, 2078-80 County Line Road, Huntingdon Valley Amendment

(9) #8533 – Brandywine Plaza, 2227-30 Paxton Church Road, Harrisburg **Amendment (Harrisburg ALJ Office)**

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich **Seconded: Board Member Brewster**

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve the proposed lease actions

received from the Office of Retail Operations as presented with the

exception of item number 9 that will be placed on hold

From the Bureau of Product Management......Megan Painter, Director of Product Management

VENDOR – ITEM NAME

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED

REASON

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"These items went to Board for the public meeting without pricing"

Various 1. Regular New Items Accepted Various Regular PA New Items Accepted 3. Regular Recommended Delist Various

1. Regular New Items Accepted

BRAND NAME AND SIZE

North Wales Wines Fishers Island Lemonade Half and Half 4x355 mL Cans 18 Waterbird Tequila Ranch Water 4x355 mL Cans 18 Waterbird Vodka Citrus Squeeze 4x355 mL Cans 18 Waterbird Vodka Cocktail Variety Pack 8x355 mL Cans 18 Waterbird Vodka Transfusion 4x355 mL Cans

RECOMMENDED ACTION: We recommend the Board approve this action

New Items – Recommended Listings Reason Codes

- Strong marketing support
- 2. High brand recognition3. Line/Size extension of successful brand
- 4. Trade up opportunity5. Growing category
- 6. Growing segment
- 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

2. Regular PA New Items Accepted

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 $EFFECTIVE\ DATE:\ The\ transference\ to\ close out\ will\ become\ effective\ September\ 5,\ 2025$

Motion Made: Board Member Vulakovich Seconded: Board Member Brewster

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve the recommended product

actions received from the Bureau of Product Management.

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

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board State Stores Fund Comparative Statement of Net Position (Unaudited)

(Unau	dited)			
ACCETC		May 31, 2025		May 31, 2024
ASSETS				
Current assets:	_		_	
Cash	\$	51,620,127	\$	54,189,270
Investments - short term		175,878,043		231,139,796
Accounts and claims receivable, net		1,325,593		6,280,132
Due from other funds - Note 9		-		-
Merchandise inventories, net		233,424,775		208,436,293
Operating supplies		692,920		967,403
Prepaid expenses		2,940,844		2,727,658
Total current assets		465,882,302		503,740,552
Non-current assets:				
Non-depreciable capital assets:				
Land		-		322,973
Depreciable or amortizable capital assets:				
Building		2,365,799		10,940,265
Leasehold improvements		209,134		209,134
Machinery and equipment		43,934,980		51,572,808
Intangible - internally generated software		74,049,785		82,252,936
Intangible - right to use leases - Note 10		500,039,121		450,494,265
Intangible - right to use IT subscriptions - Note 11		25,801,471		16,337,949
Less: accumulated depreciation or amortization		371,127,015		309,228,743
Net depreciable or amortizable capital assets		275,273,275		302,578,614
Total non-current capital assets		275,273,275		302,901,587
Total assets	\$	741,155,577	\$	806,642,139
Total deferred outflows of resources - Notes 5, 6	\$	201,079,674	\$	247,225,628
LIABILITIES				
Current liabilities:				
Trade accounts payable	\$	322,528,750	\$	324,980,613
Other accounts payable		24,276,105		12,909,196
Accrued expenses		25,569,520		23,700,607
OPEB - Note 6		-		-
Self-insurance, workers' compensation - Note 7		4,767,807		4,795,551
Due to other funds - Note 9		8,147,609		2,422,918
Due to fiduciary funds - Note 9		3,844,543		3,663,544
Due to other governments - Note 9		1,139,713		1,042,714
Right to use liabilities - Note 10		62,333,990		62,134,399
Total current liabilities		452,608,037		435,649,542
Non-current liabilities:				
OPEB - Note 6		301,181,000		325,627,000
Self-insurance, workers' compensation - Note 7		47,729,790		48,795,622
Net pension liability - Note 5		555,928,115		585,406,930
Compensated absences - Note 1		26,266,236		24,484,695
Right to use liabilities - Note 10		172,065,283		176,661,479
Total non-current liabilities		1,103,170,424		1,160,975,726
Total liabilities	\$	1,555,778,461	\$	1,596,625,268
Total deferred inflows of resources - Notes 5, 6	\$	187,278,967	\$	228,594,926
NET POSITION				
Net investment in capital assets	\$	40,874,002	\$	64,105,709
Deficit		(841,696,179)		(835,458,136)
Total net position	\$	(800,822,177)	\$	(771,352,427)
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Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board State Stores Fund

Comparative Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position For the Month Ending May 31, 2025 and May 31, 2024 (Unaudited)

	2024-	-25	2023-2	24
Sales net of taxes Cost of goods sold Gross profit from sales	\$	221,343,853 (160,343,620) 61,000,233	\$	221,699,861 (149,548,766) 72,151,095
Operating (expenses): Wholesale Retail E-Commerce Regulatory Enterprise Commonwealth provided services - Note 2 Total Operating profit/(loss)	(2,977,007) (38,532,797) (183,441) (1,421,977) (9,019,008) (1,914,396)	(54,048,626) 6,951,607	(2,747,557) (36,088,960) (196,732) (1,295,333) (12,904,852) (1,510,213)	(54,743,647) 17,407,448
Other operating revenues (expenses): Enforcement fines License fees Miscellaneous income Total Total operating income/(loss)	85,055 3,612,842 101,859	3,799,756 10,751,363	238 2,373,209 147,103	2,520,550 19,927,998
Miscellaneous revenues (expenses): Interest income (expense) Other	138,697 -		562,954 -	
Total		138,697		562,954
Income/(Loss) before operating transfers		10,890,060		20,490,952
Operating transfers out: PSP enforcement - Note 3 Net Income/(Loss) from operations	(3,144,197)	(3,144,197) 7,745,863	(2,765,798)	(2,765,798) 17,725,154
Statutory Transfers: General fund - Note 4 Drug and alcohol programs - Note 4 Department of Agriculture - Note 4 Total	: : 	<u>-</u>	: : -	
Change in net position		7,745,863		17,725,154
Total net position - beginning Total net position - ending	\$	(808,568,040) (800,822,177)	\$	(789,077,581) (771,352,427)
Liquor Tax State Sales Tax Local Tax Taxes remitted to Dept.of Revenue PTD	38,616,842 15,290,339 1,013,892	54,921,073	39,543,106 15,658,953 1,025,690	56,227,749

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board State Stores Fund

Comparative Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position For the Eleven Months Ending May 31, 2025 and May 31, 2024 (Unaudited)

	2024	-25	2023	-24
Sales net of taxes Cost of goods sold	\$	2,333,942,975 (1,616,834,888)	\$	2,339,697,512 (1,588,481,846)
Gross profit from sales	_	717,108,087	_	751,215,666
Operating (expenses):				
Wholesale	(31,250,730)		(28,247,663)	
Retail	(422,204,055)		(383,352,354)	
E-Commerce -	(2,534,559)		(2,193,966)	
Regulatory	(15,425,815)		(13,463,151)	
Enterprise	(100,047,161)		(104,776,738)	
Commonwealth provided services - Note 2	(21,883,917)	(500.040.007)	(17,327,907)	(540,004,770)
Total	_	(593,346,237)	_	(549,361,779)
Operating profit/(loss)		123,761,850		201,853,887
Other operating revenues (expenses):				
Enforcement fines	1,187,392		985,197	
License fees	37,978,039		30,341,184	
Miscellaneous income	1,800,079	12 22E E40	2,171,174	
Total	_	40,965,510	_	33,497,555
Total operating income/(loss)		164,727,360		235,351,442
Miscellaneous revenues (expenses):				
Interest income (expense)	6,123,782		10,398,578	
Other	(502,382)		17,008	
Total	_	5,621,400	_	10,415,586
Income/(Loss) before operating transfers		170,348,760		245,767,028
Operating transfers out:	(00.057.400)	(00.057.400)	(22.222.241)	(00.000.044)
PSP enforcement - Note 3	(33,857,132)	(33,857,132)	(30,662,011)	(30,662,011)
Net Income/(Loss) from operations		136,491,628		215,105,017
Statutory Transfers: General fund - Note 4	(185,100,000)		(185,100,000)	
Drug and alcohol programs - Note 4	(2,000,000)		-	
Department of Agriculture - Note 4 Total	(3,000,000)	(188,100,000)	- -	(185,100,000)
Change in net position		(51,608,372)		30,005,017
Total net position - beginning		(749,213,805)	_	(801,357,444)
Total net position - ending	\$	(800,822,177)	\$	(771,352,427)
Liquor Tax	409,573,157		412,362,155	
State Sales Tax	162,177,084		162,975,769	
Local Tax	10,578,523	E00 200 764	10,931,379	E06 060 000
Taxes remitted to Dept.of Revenue YTD	\$	582,328,764	\$	586,269,303

OTHER ISSUES	
None	
PUBLIC COMMENT	
No comments were offered.	
NEXT BOARD MEETING	
	be a formal meeting on Wednesday, August 27, 2025, beginning meeting, an Executive Session or Sessions will be held for the orth in the printed Board Agenda.
ADJOURNMENT	
On a motion by Board Member Vulakovic 6, 2025, was adjourned.	th and seconded by Board Member Brewster, the meeting of August
	Chairman
	 Member
	Member
ATTEST:	
Secretary	