PENNSYLVANIA LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, JULY 17, 2019 NORTHWEST OFFICE BUILDING, CONFERENCE ROOM 117, HARRISBURG, PA

Tim Holden, Chairman Mike Negra, Board Member Mary Isenhour, Board Member Charlie Mooney, Executive Director John Stark, Board Secretary Office of Chief Counsel
Bureau of Licensing
Bureau of Human Resources
Bureau of Accounting & Purchasing

Office of Retail Operations
Bureau of Product Selection
Financial Report
Other Issues

PUBLIC MEETING - 11:00 A.M

Board Secretary John K. Stark indicated that a quorum of the Board was present and Chairman Holden called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag – Lori Motter – Executive Director's Office

A. Motion to approve the previous Board Meeting Minutes of the June 26, 2019 meeting.

Motion Made: Board Member Negra Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to Approve Previous Board Minutes.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

There was no public comment on the printed agenda items.

NEW BUSINESS

(1) HMAC Venue, LLC 1110 North 3rd Street Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17102-2018 Restaurant Liquor License No. R-4643

LID 98407

Request to Hire Former Employee

Motion Made: Board Member Negra Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to Approve Transferee's Request to

Hire Certain Former Employees of Transferor and to Permit John Traynor to Work Under Contract for the Property Owner as Creative

Director/Design Consultant.

(2) Adoption of Revised Advisory Notice No. 10 (8th Revision) Trade Practices

Motion Made: Board Member Negra Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

Chief Counsel Rodrigo Diaz indicated that the Advisory Notice in question was revised recently but that additional revisions regarding certain trade practices have been recommended. This revision will provide clarification with regard to the giving of items from manufacturers to other licensees and potential problems with advertising novelties and on-premises tasting. Clarification regarding things of value is also provided within the revised Notice. Board Member Negra suggested that the revision represents an instance of the agency responding to the alcohol industry and Executive Director Charles Mooney affirmed that quarterly meetings with industry representatives are held.

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to Approve the Adoption of Revised

Advisory Notice No. 10 (8th Revision).

From the Bureau of Licensing Tisha Albert, Director of Regulatory Affairs

Barbara Peifer, Director, Bureau of Licensing

(1) The Candle Bar Stores, LLC t/a Candle Bar

R-2638 (LID No. 97693) 1733 Chestnut Street Philadelphia, Philadelphia County Double Transfer & Requests for Interior Connections with Another Business & to Conduct Another Business on the Licensed Premises – Restaurant

Motion Made: Board Member Negra Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to Approve Transfer and

Request for Interior Connections with Another Business and to

Conduct Another Business on the Licensed Premises.

(2) FFBS, Inc.

t/a DoGoods Tavern

(LID No. 93664) Case No. 19-9017

2 East Main Avenue

Myerstown, Lebanon County

New – Economic Development

Restaurant

Motion Made: Board Member Negra
Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to Approve New Application.

(3) Lost Tavern Brewing, LLC

(LID No. 97865) 782 Main Street

Hellertown, Northampton County

Additional Brewery Storage

Location & Request for an Interior

Connection with Another Business – Brewery Storage

Motion Made: Board Member Negra
Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to Approve Additional Brewery

Storage Location and Request for Interior Connections with

Another Business.

(4) SPBW, LLC

t/a Sweet Pea's #8 R-7756 (LID No. 97555) 301 North Main Street Masontown, Fayette County Double Transfer & Request for Interior Connections with Another Business - Restaurant

Motion Made: Board Member Negra
Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to Approve Transfer and

Request for Interior Connections with Another Business.

(5) Saleme Investment Company

R-19967 (LID No. 92920) 4998 Milford Road

Middle Smithfield Township East Stroudsburg, Monroe County Extension of License & Requests to Delete a Licensed Area & for Interior Connections with Another Business - Restaurant

Motion Made: Board Member Negra Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to Approve Extension of

License, Deletion of Licensed Area, and Request for Interior

Connections with Another Business.

(6) Shreeji Krupa Beverage, LLC t/a Plymouth Beer Store R-18025 (LID No. 85616) 241A West Main Street Plymouth, Luzerne County

Request for Interior Connections with Another Business -Restaurant

Motion Made: Board Member Negra Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to Approve Request for Interior

Connections with Another Business.

(7) Souderton Food Services, LLC (LID No. 91871) Case No. 19-9021 Souderton Development 600 Block of East Broad Street Souderton, Montgomery County

Request for Hearing After Administrative Cancellation -New – Economic Development Restaurant

Motion Made:

Board Member Negra

Seconded:

Board Decision: Hold for Conditional Licensing Agreement.

(8) Speedway, LLC t/a Speedway #2905

R-9140 (LID No. 94675) Case No. 19-9025 303 Hulton Road Oakmont, Allegheny County

"Intermunicipal" Double Transfer & Request for Interior Connections with Another **Business - Restaurant**

Motion Made: Board Member Negra Board Member Isenhour Seconded:

Chairman Holden asked if there was anyone present from Speedway, LLC. Applicant's Attorney Mark Kozar stood up and requested that the Board approve this application. Attorney Kozar stated that the evidence presented at the hearing for this case demonstrates that those who protested the license transfer would not be subject to any harm as a result of its approval. Chairman Holden subsequently indicated that while Mr. Kozar's comments would be noted on the record, with his vote taken into account, the Board would reach a unanimous decision and that the transfer would be refused.

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to Refuse Transfer and Request

for Interior Connections with Another Business.

(9) Turkey Hill, LP

t/a Turkey Hill Minit Market #296

R-36430 (LID No. 88182) 7601 Allentown Boulevard West Hanover Township Harrisburg, Dauphin County Extension of License &
Request for Interior Connections
with Another Business –
Restaurant

Limited Winery Additional

Board-Approved Location &

Request for Interior Connections with Another Business – Limited

Motion Made: Board Member Negra Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to Approve Extension of

License and Request for Interior Connections with Another

Winery

Business.

(10) Twisted Vine Beverage Co., LLC t/a Twisted Vine

LK-41135 (LID No. 96504) 13106 Route 948 Highland Township Kane, Elk County

BAL Location: Walmart

100 Chippewa Town Center Beaver Falls, Beaver County

BAL Location: waimart

Motion Made: Board Member Negra Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to Approve Limited Winery

Additional Board-Approved Location and Request for Interior

Connections with Another Business.

(11) Twisted Vine Beverage Co., LLC

t/a Twisted Vine

LK-41135 (LID No. 96504)

13106 Route 948 Highland Township Kane, Elk County

BAL Location: Walmart

16086 Conneaut Lake Road Meadville, Crawford County Limited Winery Additional Board-Approved Location & Request for Interior Connections with Another Business – Limited Winery

Motion Made: Board Member Negra Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to Approve Limited Winery

Additional Board-Approved Location and Request for Interior

Connections with Another Business.

(12) Twisted Vine Beverage Co., LLC

t/a Twisted Vine

LK-41135 (LID No. 96504)

13106 Route 948 Highland Township Kane, Elk County

BAL Location: Walmart

Seconded:

2711 East 28th Street Erie, Erie County

Motion Made: Board Member Negra

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to Approve Limited Winery

Board Member Isenhour

Additional Board-Approved Location and Request for Interior Connections with Another Business and Dual Employment.

Winery

(13) Twisted Vine Beverage Co., LLC

t/a Twisted Vine

LK-41135 (LID No. 96504)

13106 Route 948 Highland Township Kane, Elk County

BAL Location: Walmart

100 Colony Lane

Latrobe, Westmoreland County

Motion Made: Board Member Negra Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to Approve Limited Winery

Additional Board-Approved Location and Request for Interior

Connections with Another Business.

Limited Winery Additional Board-Approved Location & Requests for Interior Connections with Another Business & Dual Employment – Limited Winery

Limited Winery Additional

Board-Approved Location & Request for Interior Connections

with Another Business – Limited

(14) Vista Fuels, LLC

R-15735 (LID No. 91622) 225 South Best Avenue Walnutport, Northampton County Extension of License & **Request for Interior Connections** with Another Business -Restaurant

Motion Made: Board Member Negra Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to Approve Extension of

License and Request for Interior Connections with Another

Business.

Conditional Licensing (15) 7 Huntingdon, Inc.

R-2609 (LID No. 64697) Case No. 2018-64697 Agreement

7 Huntingdon Pike Renewal – District 4

Rockledge, Montgomery County

HOLD - 6/26/19 SESSION

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

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to Approve Renewal with New

Conditional Licensing Agreement.

(16) 201 Enola Enterprises, Inc. **Conditional Licensing**

R-12781 (LID No. 64809) Case No. 2019-64809

201 Enola Road

East Pennsboro Township Enola, Cumberland County Agreement

Renewal – District 1

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

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to Approve Renewal with New

Conditional Licensing Agreement.

(17) Cobb's Spikes, Inc. Conditional Licensing

R-7536 (LID No. 64197) Case No. 2018-64197 Agreement

3517 Cottman Avenue Renewal – District 10

Philadelphia, Philadelphia County

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

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to Approve Renewal with

Conditional Licensing Agreement.

(18) Fraternal Association of Joseph Pilsudski

Renewal – District 10

CC-2764 (LID No. 3339) Case No. 2018-3339 718 Adams Avenue & 716-718 Adams Avenue, Lower Level Philadelphia, Philadelphia 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.

(19) Germantown Nest No. 1624 Order of Owls

Renewal – District 10

CC-1820 (LID No. 1085) Case No. 2018-1085 1712 Walnut Street, 2nd Floor, P. O. Box 30391 Philadelphia, Philadelphia County

> **Motion Made: Seconded:**

Board Member Negra

Board Decision: Hold for Conditional Licensing Agreement.

(20) HAVSHO, Inc.

Renewal – District 1

t/a The Beer Barn of Lewisburg

D-2989 (LID No. 4864) Case No. 2019-4864 227 North Derr Drive East Buffalo Township Lewisburg, Union County

> **Motion Made: Seconded:**

Board Member Negra

Board Decision:

Hold for Conditional Licensing Agreement.

(21) JJ Beer, LLC

Conditional Licensing

D-2982 (LID No. 67515) Case No. 2018-67515

Agreement

240 South Easton Road

Renewal – District 4

Cheltenham Township Glenside, Montgomery County

HOLD – 6/26/19 SESSION

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

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to Approve Renewal with

Conditional Licensing Agreement.

(22) Kevin Konieczny, Inc.

Renewal – District 10

R-1941 (LID No. 37274) Case No. 2018-37274 5136 Torresdale Avenue Philadelphia, Philadelphia County

Motion Made:

Board Member Negra

Seconded:

Board Decision: Hold for Conditional Licensing Agreement (Offer-in-

Compromise).

(23) L.F.C. Incorporated

Renewal – District 10

R-12516 (LID No. 15584) Case No. 2018-15584

4043 Lancaster Avenue

Philadelphia, Philadelphia County

Motion Made:

Board Member Negra

Seconded:

Board Decision: Hold for Amended Conditional Licensing Agreement (Offer-in-

Compromise).

(24) O'Neil's Bar & Grill, Inc.

Renewal & Amusement Permit –

R-13309 (LID No. 69213) Case No. 2018-69213

District 6

406 Deer Lane

Rochester, Beaver County

HOLD – 5/1/19 SESSION

Motion Made: Board Member Negra Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

Chairman Holden asked if there was anyone present from O'Neil's Bar & Grill, Inc. There was no response.

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to Refuse Renewal of liquor

license and Amusement Permit.

(25) Quirk & Owen, Inc.

Renewal – District 10

t/a Sean Thorton's

R-8114 (LID No. 53159) Case No. 2018-53159 2401 East Allegheny Avenue

Philadelphia, Philadelphia County

Motion Made:

Board Member Negra

Seconded:

Board Decision: Hold for Conditional Licensing Agreement.

(26) S & G 180, Inc.

Renewal – District 10

R-948 (LID No. 9703) Case No. 2018-9703 1640 West Wingohocking Street Philadelphia, Philadelphia County

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

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to Approve Renewal.

(27) St. George & Mary, Inc.

Renewal – District 1

R-19383 (LID No. 55873) Case No. 2019-55873 5327 East Trindle Road Hampden Township Mechanicsburg, Cumberland County

Motion Made:

Board Member Negra

Seconded:

Board Decision: Hold for Conditional Licensing Agreement.

(28) Saints & Mary, Inc.

Renewal – District 1

t/a Enola Bar & Grill

R-12081 (LID No. 69574) Case No. 2019-69574 325 North Enola Road East Pennsboro Township Enola, Cumberland County

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

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to Approve Renewal.

(29) Yong's Place, Inc.

Renewal – District 10

R-14561 (LID No. 24220) Case No. 2018-24220 5937-5939 Market Street Philadelphia, Philadelphia County

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

Chairman Holden asked if there was anyone present from Yong's Place, Inc. There was no response.

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to Refuse Renewal.

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

Personnel Actions

There were 11 personnel actions presented for consideration.

- (1) Fatiem Denny Affirm Removal
- (2) Katherine Gibson Affirm Removal
- (3) Holly Huth Removal
- (4) Anthony Morrison Removal
- (5) Brydia Pigford Rescind Removal
- (6) Dana Rivera Affirm Removal
- (7) Adrian Sinko Removal
- (8) Sherry Sobansky Affirm Removal
- (9) Rachel Tillmon Affirm Removal
- (10) Heather Wahl Removal
- (11) Thomas Williams Removal

Motion Made: Board Member Negra Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

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

Procurement Actions:

(1) Hearing Examiner Services Renewal – Represent the Board in the capacity of a hearing examiner for administrative hearings conducted in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania regarding matters which the Board shall adjudicate as required.

Procured via PO 63016890 Option Year Two – VENDOR: **John A. Mulroy Esq.** – TERM: One year – **\$150,000.00 estimated cost.**

Motion Made: Board Member Negra Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to Accept the Procurement Action.

Inter-Agency Charges:

- (1) Department of General Services (DGS) Property Costs (JOB 7) Billing of \$108,320.75 for the PLCB's estimated FY 2018-19 Q3 share of Commonwealth property costs for the Capital complex. This billing includes costs for the Northwest Office Building (NWOB) electricity charges, which are paid directly by DGS, as well as prorated portions of the expenses for Capital Police services, City of Harrisburg Fire Protection and DGS's maintenance costs.
- (2) Office of Administration Office of Information Technology (OA-OIT) CUPSS Charge CUPSS (Commonwealth User Provisioning Self-Service) billing of \$51,870.00 for FY 2018-19 to reimburse OA-OIT for the cost to manage the network (CWOPA) and email (Exchange) accounts.

The Bureau of Financial Management and Analysis has reviewed these charges and determined that they are reasonable based on billing methodology and previous experience.

Motion Made: Board Member Negra Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to Approve all Inter-Agency Charges.

1. #5108 – 3250 North Broad Street, Philadelphia Amendment

- 2. #6102 541 Allegheny Boulevard, Franklin Amendment
- 3. #06XX Town Square Plaza, 4300 North 5th Street Highway, Temple New Store (relocation of #0619 Reading)

Motion Made: Board Member Negra Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to Approve all Retail Operations Actions.

From the Bureau of Product SelectionDale Horst, Director of Marketing & Merchandising Tom Bowman, Director, Bureau of Product Selection

1. Regular New Items Accepted

BRAND NAME AND SIZE	REASON
Capital Wine and Spirits Inc	
Farmhouse Red 750 ML	1, 5
Francis Ford Coppola Diamond Oregon Pinot Noir 750 ML	2, 3
Predator Six Spot Red Blend 750 ML	4, 5
C Jacquin ET CIE Inc	
Jacquins Special Reserve Apple Flavored Brandy 750 ML	13
Typhoon VSOP Spiced Rum 750 ML	13
Constellation Brands Inc Robert Mondavi Private Selection Merlot Aged In Rum Barrels 750 ML	3
Robert Mondavi Woodbridge Rose 748 ML	3
Robert Mondavi Woodbridge Rose 750 ML	3
Diageo North America	
Buchannan's 12 Year Old Scotch 375 ML	3
Don Julio Blanco Tequila 1.75 L	3
Seagram's Seven Crown Apple Whiskey 750 ML	3
Heaven Hill Brands	
Evan Williams Apple Flavored Whiskey 750 ML	3
Bernheim Original Wheat Whiskey 750 ML	6
Jackson Family Fine Wines	
Kendall Jackson Vintner's Reserve Rose 750 ML	2, 3
MHW LTD	
Bols Elderflower Liqueur 750 ML	2, 12
Majestic Wine and Spirits	
Ryder Estate Pinot Noir 750 ML	18
North Wales Wines	
Barefoot Cellars Chardonnay 500 ML	3
Barefoot Cellars Moscato 500 ML	3
Barefoot Cellars Pinot Grigio 500 ML	3
Barefoot Cellars Rose 500 ML	3
Gallo Family Vineyards Sweet Apple 1.5 L	3
Gallo Family Vineyards Sweet Berry 1.5 L	3
Gallo Family Vineyards Sweet Grape 1.5 L	3

Gallo Family Vineyards Sweet Grapefruit Rose 1.5 L	3
Gallo Family Vineyards Sweet Peach 1.5 L	3
Gallo Family Vineyards Sweet Pineapple 1.5 L	3
Proximo Spirits Inc	
1800 Silver Tequila 1 L	18
Jose Cuervo Especial Silver Tequila 1 L	18
Proper No Twelve Irish Whiskey 1 L	18
Sazerac Company Inc	
Torada Triple Sec 1 L	18
Southern Wine Spirits PA	
Argyle Reserve Pinot Noir 750 ML	3
Conundrum Rose 750 ML	2, 4
Conundrum Sparkling Rose 750 ML	2, 4
Ferrari Carano Siena 750 ML	3
Lange Winery Pinot Noir Classique Willamette Valley	2, 4
750 ML	
Treasury Wine Estates	
19 Crimes Sauvignon Blanc 750 ML	2, 3
Beringer Bros. Bourbon Barrel Aged Red Blend 750 ML	3
Beringer Bros. Bourbon Barrel Chardonnay 750 ML	10
The Wine Group	
Cupcake Vineyards Butterkissed Chardonnay 750 ML	2, 3
Imagery Chardonnay 750 ML	2, 3
magery Chardonnay 730 ME	2, 3
William Grant and Sons Inc	
Sailor Jerry Savage Apple Spiced Rum 750 ML	2, 3
RECOMMENDED ACTION: We recommend the Board approve this action	

2. Regular New Items Accepted Revision

RECOMMENDED ACTION: We recommend the Board approve this action

BRAND NAME AND SIZE	REASON
RETAIL PRICE	
CBL Wine Company LLC Fuyu Japanese Blended Whisky 750 ML	5
Note: Went to Board on 6-26-19 with the wrong retail	

3. Regular PA Preferred New Items Accepted

BRAND NAME AND SIZE	REASON
Philadelphia Distilling Vigo Amaro Original Herbal Liqueur 750 ML	16
The Dandelion Winery Inc The Dandelion Winery Inc Old World Style Dandelion Wine 750 ML	17
The Winery at Wilcox Inc Elk Country Blush 750 ML	17

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
- National rollout
 Niche item / Limited distribution
 High dollar profit potential
 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

4. Regular Recommended Delist

BRAND NAME AND SIZE	<u>CODE</u>
Bacardi USA Inc	2740
Bacardi Oakheart Spiced Rum 750 ML	3749
Capital Wine and Spirits	
Francis Ford Coppola Vendetta 750 ML	9888
Constellation Wines U S	
HRM Rex Goliath Cabernet Sauvignon California 750 ML	9229
HRM Rex Goliath Merlot California 750 ML	3253

Ravens Wood Vintners Blend Petite Sirah California 750 ML	4165
Ravens Wood Vintners Blend Shiraz California 750 ML	9949
<u>Jackson Family Fine Wines</u> Kendall Jackson Syrah Vintner's Reserve Santa Barbara County	5029
750 ML	2029
Kobrand Corp	
Grappa Di Sassicaia Brandy 375 ML	6688
North Wales Wines	
	5983
Alamos Chardonnay Mendoza 750 ML	
Dark Horse Zinfandel 750 ML	2120
MacMurray Estate Vineyards Chardonnay Russian River Valley 750 ML	9035
Naked Grape Pinot Grigio California 750 ML	3594
Palm Bay Imports Inc	
Porta Vita Bianco 1.5 L	6041
Porta Vita Rosato 1.5 L	6043
Porta Vita Rosso 1.5 L	6044
Tuescum, Wine Fetates	
Treasury Wine Estates	4001
Beringer Main and Vine White Zinfandel PVS 750 ML	4801
Gentleman's Collection Forgo Frills Red Blend 750 ML	1197

EFFECTIVE DATE: The transference to closeout will become effective August 17, 2019

Motion Made: Board Member Negra Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to Approve all Bureau of Product

Selection/Marketing Actions.

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

None.

OTHER ISSUES

Pennsylvania Wine Marketing and Research Board......Elizabeth Brassell,

Director of Policy and Communications

Act 39 of 2016 expanded the Pennsylvania Wine Marketing and Research Board and authorized the PLCB to approve up to \$1 million annually for development and marketing of the Pennsylvania wine industry. The Pennsylvania Wine Marketing & Research Board, through the Department of Agriculture, has recommended nine grants totaling \$1 million for PLCB approval. The grant projects are intended to enhance the Pennsylvania wine industry and increase production of Pennsylvania-made wines.

Elizabeth Brassell, Director of Policy and Communications, explained that this is the fourth round of wine grants. The nine grants for this cycle include one marketing grant for the Pennsylvania Winery Association, seven agricultural grants for The Pennsylvania State University College of Agricultural Sciences, and one grant for Saint Joseph's University to conduct consumer market research. Ms. Brassell indicated that the PLCB is working with the Department of Agriculture to streamline the grant process and execute contracts. In response to a concern expressed by Board Member Negra regarding accountability, Ms. Brassell reported that the PLCB will take ownership of contract execution and the invoice process.

Grant Project	Grantee	Grant Amount
Pennsylvania Wine Land Statewide Marketing & Promotions: Continuation and new investments in the Pennsylvania Wine Land consumer marketing campaign, development of a new PA Wines Guide and sustaining investment in Pennsylvania Wine Trails grants.	PA Winery Association	\$422,082
Defining Regional Typicity of Gruner Veltliner Wines: Continuation of a multi-year project aiming to characterize the environmental, viticultural, and sensory factors that define signature characteristics of Grüner Veltliner wines and develop marketing strategies to appeal to current and potential Grüner Veltliner drinkers, extending field and wine evaluations to the 2019 vintage.	The Pennsylvania State University College of Agricultural Sciences	\$124,849
Improving Tannin Extraction in Wines Made from Red Interspecific Hybrid (Vitis ssp.) Grapes: Proof of concept trials and winemaking exploring enzyme concentrations and combinations, as well as pre-fermentation maceration conditions, in order to enhance the tannin structure of wines made from red hybrid grapes, thereby improving the quality and stability of such wines.	The Pennsylvania State University College of Agricultural Sciences	\$89,782

Consumer Attitudes and Purchasing Behaviors Toward PA Wines, Wineries, and Retail Wine Marketing Programs: Comprehensive, four-step consumer market research study blending a review of secondary data, focus groups, graduate study taste comparisons between Pennsylvania wines and wines from elsewhere, and an online survey of hundreds of Pennsylvania residents to analyze and understand the characteristics and motivations of Pennsylvania wine consumers.	Saint Joseph's University	\$89,110
Boosting Polyfunctional Thiols and Other Aroma Compounds in White Hybrid Wines Through Foliar Nitrogen and Sulfur Application: Continuation of a multi-year study evaluating the impact of foliar nitrogen and sulfur spraying as potentially low-cost viticultural practices to improve quality and profitability of white hybrid cultivar Traminette.	The Pennsylvania State University College of Agricultural Sciences	\$80,828
What do Consumers Look for in PA Wines? A Mixed-Methods Approach to Study the Importance of Regionality and Hybrid Grapes: A study of consumer perception of Pennsylvania- grown wines, with a focus on the importance of regionality and attitudes toward hybrid wines, utilizing consumer focus groups and a product categorization exercise among Pennsylvania wine consumers.	The Pennsylvania State University College of Agricultural Sciences	\$63,286
Survey for Grapevine Leafroll Viruses in Pennsylvania: Expansion of research into viruses infecting grapevines and negatively impacting fruit and wine quality from two vineyards to six vineyards, continuing to explore how the viruses spread and what impacts the viruses have on grapevine productivity and fruit quality under different seasonal weather conditions.	The Pennsylvania State University College of Agricultural Sciences	\$46,801
Does Delaying Bud Burst Reduce the Risk of Frost Damage While Maintaining Grape and Wine Quality? Year three of this research comparing the effectiveness of two frost avoidance strategies (application of Amigo oil, a food grade vegetable oil-based adjuvant, versus delayed winter pruning) on delaying the onset of budburst in order to avoid crop losses and delays in fruit ripening caused by post-budburst	The Pennsylvania State University College of Agricultural Sciences	\$42,152

Evaluating the Impact of Under-Trellis Groundcover Practices on Winegrape Production Profitability and Sustainability: Continuation of research into a sustainable weed suppression alternative to herbicides exploring if the alternative practices are sustainable, which strategies lead to the highest-quality grapes, and whether consumers are receptive to higher prices for wine produced using environmentally friendly practices.	The Pennsylvania State University College of Agricultural Sciences	\$41,110
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Motion Made: Board Member Negra Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

Board Decision: Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to Approve Nine Grants Totaling One

Million Dollars.

CITIZEN COMMENT/BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

None.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next meeting of the PLCB will be a formal meeting on Wednesday, July 31, 2019, 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.

	Chairman
	Member
	Member
ATTEST:	

Secretary

 $\underline{Note} \hbox{: } Board\ Minutes\ are\ not\ officially\ approved\ until\ all\ required\ signatures\ are\ affixed.$