## PENNSYLVANIA LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD

## MEETING MINUTES

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## WEDNESDAY, JULY 13, 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 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 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

A. Motion to approve previous Board Meeting Minutes of the June 22, 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.

There were no public comments or questions on the printed agenda items.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

(1) Speedy's Place, LLC

**ALJ Opinion** 

Citation No. 20-1181

At Board Member Negra's request, Chief Counsel Diaz explained that this agenda item as well as the following two agenda items pertain to citations related to violations of the Governor's COVID-19 emergency declaration and mitigation orders. Chief Counsel Diaz affirmed that while the occurrence of violations had not been disputed, the constitutionality of the Governor's orders along with the question of whether or not citations could be considered appropriate penalties for such violations were at issue.

Since the Board previously held that the Governor indeed had the authority to issue orders with regard to the regulation of alcohol during a declared emergency, Chief Counsel Diaz stated that although a subsequent appeal could be anticipated, the recommendation from his office was that the citations be affirmed and the matter remanded to the ALJ.

Motion Made: Board Member Negra Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

**Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to affirm the ALJ's opinion and remand to the

ALJ in order to serve suspension.

(2) Speedy's Place, LLC ALJ Opinion

Citation No. 21-0080

Motion Made: Board Member Negra Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

**Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to affirm the ALJ's opinion and remand to the

ALJ in order to serve suspension.

(3) Speedy's Place, LLC ALJ Opinion

Citation No. 21-0284

Motion Made: Board Member Negra Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

**Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to affirm the ALJ's opinion and remand to the

ALJ in order to serve suspension.

(4) City of Sunbury Municipal Petition for Exemption from Liquor Code

Case No. 22-NE-06 Statute Regarding Amplified Sound

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

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

from Liquor Code statute regarding amplified sound from July 13, 2022 through

July 13, 2023.

Stephanie McGrath, Acting Director, Bureau of Licensing

**(1) Blackbird Distillery, LLC** Limited Distillery Additional t/a Blackbird Distillery Board-Approved Location &

AL-2 (LID No. 89358) 93 Blackout Alley

Rose Township

Brookville, Jefferson County

Request

for an Interior Connection with Another Business - Limited

Distillery

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

**Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve the additional location and

the request for an interior connection with another business.

Fresh Jrink, LLC Person-to-Person Transfer – **(2)** t/a Santana's Soulfrito Restaurant

R-7949 (LID No. 108552) Case No. 22-9026

318 Market Street

Sunbury, Northumberland County

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

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

agreement.

Note: Board Minutes are not officially approved until all required signatures are affixed.

(3) Juan Carlos, LLC

New – Economic Development

Restaurant

t/a Juan Carlos Fine Mexican Cuisine

(LID No. 109267) Case No. 22-9062

235 East High Street

Pottstown, Montgomery County

Motion Made: Board Member Negra Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

**Board Decision:** Unanimously agreed (3-0 vote) to approve new economic development

license.

(4) Vicinitas, LLC

Double Transfer – Restaurant

R-8302 (LID No. 105901) Case No. 22-9023

3849 Lancaster Avenue

Philadelphia, Philadelphia County

Motion Made: Board Member Negra Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

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

(5) 2420 Flag LLC

Renewal – District 10

R-15555 (LID No. 57602) Case No. 2020-57602

2420 Rhawn Street

Philadelphia, Philadelphia County

Motion Made: Board Member Negra Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

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

(6) B & T Tavern LLC

Renewal – District 9

R-14921 (LID No. 68129) Case No. 2021-68129

501 Chestnut Street

Dunmore, Lackawanna County

Motion Made: Board Member Negra Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

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

agreement.

(7) CLD Associates, Inc.

Renewal – District 3

t/a Olyvias Italian Eatery

R-15885 (LID No. 73359) Case No. 2021-73359

3674 Pricetown Rd

Ruscombmanor Township

Fleetwood, Berks County

Motion Made: Board Member Negra Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

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

(8) Country Garden 6-Pak

Renewal – District 2

Restaurant Of Lancaster Inc.,

R13812 (LID No. 28722) Case No. 2022-28722

876 Manor St.

Lancaster, Lancaster County

Motion Made: Board Member Negra Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

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

conditional licensing agreement.

(9) MacBlane Enterprises, Inc.

Renewal – District 9

Renewal – District 1

t/a Brackney Inn

H-3198 (LID No. 43382) Case No. 2021-43382

769 Brackney Hill Road

Brackney, Susquehanna County

Motion Made: Board Member Negra Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

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

(10) MR I LLC R-2244 (LID No. 86694) Case No. 2020-86694

1000 Frankford Ave

Philadelphia, Philadelphia County

Motion Made: Board Member Negra
Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

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

(11) Order of Owls Homestead Nest No. 1538

Renewal – District 5

CC-1024 (LID No. 3079) Case No. 2021-3079

524 West 7th Avenue

West Homestead, Allegheny County

Motion Made: Board Member Negra Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

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

(12) Padraic Carpenter

Renewal – District 7

t/a Down Under

R-16753 (LID No. 72271) Case No. 2021-72271

7 E Main Street

Youngsville, Warren County

Motion Made: Board Member Negra Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

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

(13) Rupp Land Development Company, Inc. t/a High Street Pub & Grill

Renewal – District 7

R-8011 (LID No. 61795) Case No. 2021-61795 103 East High Street

Sharpsville, Mercer County

Motion Made: Board Member Negra Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

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

(14) Sara, Inc. Renewal – District 4

t/a Double S Saloon

R-14292 (LID No. 64339) Case No. 2021-64339

610 Evans Ave

McKeesport, Allegheny County

Motion Made: Board Member Negra Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

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

agreement.

(15) Slice Life Operations LLC

Renewal – District 3

t/a Paradise by the Slice

R-531 (LID No. 101167) Case No. 2021-101167 69 E Penn Ave

Wernersville, Berks County

Motion Made: Board Member Negra Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

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

(16) St. Ann's Athletic Association

Renewal – District 11

C-3007 (LID No. 1473) Case No. 2021-1473 501-509 Wood Street Bristol, Bucks County

Motion Made: Board Member Negra Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

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

agreement.

Personnel Actions

There were 22 personnel actions presented for consideration.

- (1) Jason Burfield Affirm Removal
- (2) Tionta Burns Affirm Removal
- (3) John Clemison Removal
- (4) Joshua Deans Affirm Removal
- (5) Stephanie Dunkley Removal
- (6) Matthew Ferro Removal
- (7) Kinta Gomez Affirm Removal
- (8) Patricia Hall Removal
- (9) Daylyn Henderson Removal

- (10) Amy Janoski Removal
- (11) Laniya Jones-Blount Affirm Removal
- (12) Cory Maines Suspension
- (13) Nicole McKay Affirm Removal
- (14) Brinley Monstwil Removal
- (15) Brandon Moyer Removal
- (16) Samantha Perez Affirm Removal
- (17) Brianna Preston Affirm Removal
- (18) Alayaha Rucker Affirm Removal
- (19) Brian Smith Affirm Removal
- (20) Forrest Smith Removal
- (21) Johnelle Troutman Removal
- (22) Ciara Williams Affirm 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) Corrugated Cardboard Shipping Boxes and Inserts – This request is for corrugated cardboard shipping boxes and inserts to be used by the PLCB to pack bottles of wine and spirits at the PLCB's E-Commerce Fulfillment Center and all Fine Wine & Good Spirts stores and Licensee Service Centers throughout the Commonwealth.

Procured via IFB #270003 – VENDORS: **Edwin Bell Cooperage Company and Phoenix Packaging Inc.** - TERM: One year for period 8/1/2022 through 7/31/2023 - \$1,363,880.40 **estimated cost** to be split between the two awarded suppliers.

Inter-Agency Charges:

(1) Office of Administration – VMware ELA agreement – Charge of \$21,484.00 to reimburse the Office of Administration for the PLCB's annual subscription cost for VMware software licenses and services for July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. This is a three-year enterprise licensing agreement (ELA) between VMware and the Office of Administration that the PLCB has committed to for a total cost of \$64,452.00 for fiscal years 2022-23, 2023-24 and 2024-25, (charge of \$21,484.00 for each of the three years).

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 the Procurement Action and

the Inter-Agency Charge.

- (1) #0290 Noble Manor Shopping Center, 2350 Noblestown Road, Pittsburgh Amendment
- (2) #3915 Westgate Mall, 2289 Schoenersville Road, Bethlehem Amendment
- (3) #4807 Hellertown Market Place, 1848 Leithsville Road, Hellertown Amendment
- (4) #4815 Forks Town Center, 341 Town Center Boulevard, Easton Amendment
- (5) #0238 Shady Hill Shopping Center, 6320 Shakespeare Street, Pittsburgh Store Closing

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 Selection ......Tom Bowman, Director of Product Selection

The Bureau of Product Selection respectfully submits the attached Actions for Board approval:

## <u>VENDOR – ITEM NAME</u>

## **BOARD ACTION REQUESTED**

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

Various Various

- 1. Regular New Items Accepted
- 2. Regular Recommended Delist

## 1. Regular New Items Accepted

BRAND NAME AND SIZE	REASON
Bacardi USA Inc	
Patron Anejo 50 mL	2,3
Patron Anejo 1.75 L	2,3
Patron Reposado 200 mL	2,3
Patron Silver 200 mL	2,3
Patron Silver 50 mL	2,3
Cape Classics Inc	
The Beach House Pinot Grigio 750 mL	11,19
G&B Importers	
Bulgariana Cabernet Sauvignon 750 mL	14,19
Heaven Hill Brands	
Admiral Nelson Silver 1.75 L	3
Jim Beam Brands Co	
Truly Pineapple Mango 750 mL	2,3,10
Truly Strawberry Lemonade 750 mL	2,3,10
Truly Wild Berry 750 mL	2,3,10
Luxco Inc	
El Mayor Anejo Tequila 750 mL	3,5
Majestic W S USA Inc	
Santa Margherita Rose 750 mL	2,3,19
Regal Wine Imports	
Paguat Mantagnaa Pinat Nair 750 ml	11,14,19
Paquet Montagnac Pinot Noir 750 mL	

BRAND NAME AND SIZE	REASON
Southern Glazers W S of PA	
21 Seeds Valencia Orange Tequila Blanco 750 mL	3,5
Terras do Grifo 750 mL	14,19
The Wine Merchant LTD	10
The Path Moscato 750 mL	18
The Path Pink Moscato 750 mL	18
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	
<ol> <li>National rollout</li> <li>Niche item / Limited distribution</li> </ol>	
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 Recommended Delist	
2. Regular Recommended Dense	
BRAND NAME AND SIZE	<u>CODE</u>
Constellations Brands	
Svedka Pure Infusions Dragonfruit Melon Vodka 750 mL	855
Woodbridge by Robert Mondavi Bourbon Barrel Aged Red	
Blend 750 mL	784
Woodbridge by Robert Mondavi Malbec Central Valley 1.5 L	3829
Woodbridge by Robert Mondavi Rum Barrel Aged Chardonnay 750 mL	783
750 IIIL	/03
Heaven Hill Brands	
Chairtian Darthan Crass Change 1.5 I	4700

4788

Christian Brothers Cream Sherry  $1.5\ L$ 

BRAND NAME AND SIZE	<b>CODE</b>
Luxco Inc	
Salvador's Hard Iced Tea Lemonade Cocktail 1.75 L	98709
The Wine Group	
Ava Grace Pinot Grigio 375 mL	98068
Ava Grace Rose 375 mL	98067
Beringer Main and Vine Dry Rose 750 mL	340
Corbett Canyon Cabernet Sauvignon 3 L	9838

EFFECTIVE DATE: The transference to closeout will become effective August 12, 2022

Motion Made: Board Member Negra Seconded: Board Member Isenhour

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

## 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)

·	(Onadalted)		
	May 31, 2022		May 31, 2021*
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Current assets:			
Cash	\$ 57,552,401	\$	59,081,956
Investments - short term	130,519,059		304,322,724
Accounts and claims receivable, net	8,403,793		6,666,282
Due from other funds - Note 9	-		-
Merchandise inventories, net	207,656,076		208,242,091
Operating supplies	532,659		472,995
Prepaid expenses	622,362		450,592
Total current assets	405,286,349		579,236,640
Non-current assets:			
Non-depreciable capital assets:			
Land	322,973		322,973
Depreciable capital assets:			
Building	10,762,508		21,139,183
Leasehold improvements	209,134		209,134
Machinery and equipment	48,018,934		47,497,747
Intangible - internally generated software	54,969,809		28,755,848
Intangible - right to use leases - Note 10	359,991,909		317,872,713
Less: accumulated depreciation	173,508,327		117,524,616
Net depreciable capital assets	300,443,967		297,950,009
Total non-current capital assets	300,766,940		298,272,982
Total assets	\$ 706,053,288	\$	877,509,622
Total deferred outflows of resources - Notes 5, 6	\$ 184,850,447	\$	167,450,369
LIABILITIES  Current liabilities:			
Trade accounts payable	\$ 193,977,277	\$	311,326,116
Other accounts payable	13,293,130	•	26,926,122
Accrued expenses	17,374,577		15,080,521
OPEB - Note 6	-		2,082,000
Self-insurance, workers' compensation - Note 7	6,298,716		11,095,210
Due to other funds - Note 9	8,944,819		
	2,566,844		6,387,522 2,368,220
Due to fiduciary funds - Note 9			
Due to other governments - Note 9	746,290		670,377
Right to use liabilities - Note 10 Total current liabilities		-	52,019,163 427,955,251
	290,374,302		427,933,231
Non-current liabilities:			
OPEB - Note 6	438,836,000		502,804,000
Self-insurance, workers' compensation - Note 7	64,400,982		47,995,269
Net pension liability - Note 5	477,366,328		490,219,820
Compensated absences - Note 1	25,995,401		24,809,043
Right to use liabilities - Note 10	201,581,520		217,545,111
Total non-current liabilities	1,208,180,232		1,283,373,243
Total liabilities	\$ 1,506,554,614	\$	1,711,328,494
Total deferred inflows of resources - Notes 5, 6	\$ 305,735,964	\$	307,431,438
NET POSITION			
Net investment in capital assets	\$ 44,012,691	\$	28,708,708
Deficit	(965,399,533)		(1,002,508,649)
Total net position - Note 12	\$ (921,386,842)	\$	(973,799,941)

<sup>\*</sup> The prior fiscal year (FY) 2020-21 comparative Net investment in capital assets and Deficit amounts are adjusted to include the Right to use liabilities associated with Intangibles - right to use leases as part of Net investment in capital assets, and excluding them from Deficit. The adjustments did not affect Total net position.

## 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, 2022 and May 31, 2021 (Unaudited)

	2021	-22	2020-	21
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Sales net of taxes	\$	199,753,785	\$	199,864,617
Cost of goods sold Gross profit from sales		(138,139,769) 61,614,016		(136,680,581) 63,184,036
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Operating (expenses):				
Retail operations	(28,590,923)		(29,812,658)	
Marketing & merchandising	(780,396)		(768,256)	
Supply chain	(176,748)		(669,806)	
Wholesale operations	(121,062)		(113,176)	
Information technology services	(2,020,781)		(2,620,038)	
Regulatory affairs	(1,496,816)		(1,655,890)	
Administration	(813,095)		(785,643)	
Finance	(205,465)		(180,530)	
Board & secretary	(1,133,095)		(338,188)	
Legal	(349,559)		(318,286)	
Commonwealth provided services - Note 2	(1,578,219)	(07.000.450)	(799,413)	(00 004 004)
Total		(37,266,159)		(38,061,884)
Operating profit/(loss)		24,347,857		25,122,152
Other operating revenues (expenses):				
Enforcement fines	143,705		45,343	
License fees	2,156,279		911,919	
Miscellaneous income	231,877		160,193	
Administrative law judge	(251,160)		(219,867)	
Total		2,280,701		897,588
Total operating income/(loss)		26,628,558		26,019,740
Miscellaneous revenues (expenses):				
Interest income (expense)	(353,656)		(399,176)	
Other	<u> </u>		1,396	
Total	_	(353,656)		(397,780)
Income/(Loss) before operating transfers		26,274,902		25,621,960
Operating transfers out:	(0.500.054)	(0.500.05.1)	(4.0=4.040)	(4.074.040)
PSP enforcement - Note 3	(2,503,271)		(1,971,646)	(1,971,646)
Net Income/(Loss) from operations		23,771,631		23,650,314
Statutory Transfers: General fund - Note 4				
Drug and alcohol programs - Note 4	-		- -	
Total		<u>-</u>	_	-
Change in net position		23,771,631		23,650,314
Total net position - beginning		(945,158,473)		(997,450,255)
Total net position - ending	\$	(921,386,842)	<u>\$</u>	(973,799,941)
Liquor tax	35,936,702		35,687,417	
State Sales Tax	14,128,035		14,040,501	
Local Tax Taxes remitted to Dept.of Revenue PTD	907,788	50 072 525	876,790	E0 604 700
raves remitted to Dept.of Revenue PTD	\$	50,972,525	\$	50,604,708

## 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, 2022 and May 31, 2021 (Unaudited)

	202	21-22	2020	-21
Sales net of taxes		\$ 2,209,564,194	\$	2,125,609,213
Cost of goods sold	_	(1,522,902,711)		(1,441,434,332)
Gross profit from sales		686,661,483		684,174,881
Operating (expenses):				
Retail operations	(313,717,576)		(331,389,705)	
Marketing & merchandising	(10,972,324)		(10,682,239)	
Supply chain	(4,010,052)		(6,701,370)	
Wholesale operations	(1,228,687)		(1,411,016)	
Information technology services	(21,959,287)		(25,005,143)	
Regulatory affairs	(13,681,910)		(14,844,096)	
Administration	(8,403,203)		(8,683,090)	
Finance	(2,272,464)		(2,409,477)	
Board & secretary	(11,556,395)		(3,385,957)	
Legal	(3,958,851)		(3,217,810)	
Commonwealth provided services - Note 2	(16,332,184)	(400,000,000)	(13,261,585)	(400.004.400)
Total	=	(408,092,933)		(420,991,488)
Operating profit/(loss)		278,568,550		263,183,393
Other operating revenues (expenses):				
Enforcement fines	1,777,259		912,512	
License fees	24,107,068		20,907,497	
Miscellaneous income	5,433,559		2,923,916	
Administrative law judge	(2,607,186)		(2,493,749)	
Total	-	28,710,700	_	22,250,176
Total operating income/(loss)		307,279,250		285,433,569
Miscellaneous revenues (expenses):				
Interest income (expense)	(4,094,265)		(3,889,088)	
Other	49,085		15,416	
Total	-	(4,045,180)	_	(3,873,672)
Income/(Loss) before operating transfers		303,234,070		281,559,897
Operating transfers out:	(00,000,574)	(00,000,574)	(07.040.004)	(07.040.004)
PSP enforcement - Note 3	(28,232,574)_	(28,232,574)	(27,010,381)	(27,010,381)
Net Income/(Loss) from operations		275,001,496		254,549,516
Statutory Transfers: General fund - Note 4 Drug and alcohol programs - Note 4	(185,100,000)		(142,600,000)	
Total	_	(185,100,000)		(142,600,000)
Change in net position		89,901,496		111,949,516
Total net position - beginning - Note 12	_	(1,011,288,338)	_	(1,085,749,457)
Total net position - ending	=	\$ (921,386,842)	<u>\$</u>	(973,799,941)
Liquor tax	396,451,387		380,990,327	
State Sales Tax	155,965,233		150,163,553	
Local Tax	9,763,673 _		8,771,995	
Taxes remitted to Dept.of Revenue YTD		\$ 562,180,293	\$	539,925,875

### **OTHER ISSUES**

None

#### CITIZEN COMMENT/BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Chairman Holden recognized Peter Laurenzano, who stated that he is the sole proprietor of licensee Marlboro Partners. Mr. Laurenzano reiterated his points made at the June 8, 2022 board meeting regarding the status of his license and asked the Board Members to forego a hearing. Mr. Laurenzano insisted that the matter could be settled without the need for a hearing and expressed his concerns about costs and delays. Chief Counsel Diaz advised that the Board does not have discretion to act in the manner proposed by Mr. Laurenzano, as the Liquor Code sets forth the required handling of such matters by way of an administrative hearing. That hearing is scheduled for late July. Mr. Diaz strongly encouraged Mr. Laurenzano to be prepared to present all of his arguments and documentation at that hearing to ensure that the Board has a complete record when the case is before it for decision.

Caller Lisa Brown then inquired as to when license auctions would resume. Chairman Holden stated that this topic had been discussed very recently and that the PLCB would likely be auctioning licenses in the fall. After Board Member Negra suggested that auctions could begin as early as August, Chief Counsel Diaz affirmed that uncertainty remained regarding exact time frames. Chairman Holden recognized the substantial level of interest in the auctions but indicated that additional details were currently unavailable.

#### NEXT BOARD MEETING

Secretary

The next meeting of the PLCB will be a formal meeting on Wednesday July 27, 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, so The foregoing actions are hereby official	seconded by Board Member Isenhour, the meeting was adjourned
The foregoing actions are hereby official	any approved.
	Chairman
	Member
	Member
ATTEST:	