PENNSYLVANIA LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD

MEETING AGENDA

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2024 NORTHWEST OFFICE BUILDING, CONFERENCE ROOM 117, HARRISBURG, PA MICROSOFT TEAMS MEETING

Darrell Clarke, Chairman Randy Vulakovich, Board Member Vacant, 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

Notice: Anyone who wishes to comment on a printed agenda item prior to official action being taken must make that known to the Chairman or the Board Secretary in advance. Board Secretary Michael Vigoda can be reached by phone at 717-787-8896 or email at mvigoda@pa.gov

Details for the Microsoft Teams meeting on December 18, 2024 can be found on the PLCB public website.

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

In accordance with section 708 of the Sunshine Act, 65 Pa. C.S. § 708, on the morning of and/or the day immediately preceding the Public Meeting set forth herein, the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board will be holding a closed Executive Session or Sessions in the Northwest Office Building for the following purposes: to discuss personnel matters; to consider the purchase or lease of real property prior to an option being obtained or prior to an agreement of purchase; to consult with its legal counsel regarding litigation and similar issues; to review and discuss agency business, which, if conducted in public, would violate lawful privilege or lead to the disclosure of information confidentially protected by law, including quasi-judicial deliberations; and to engage in non-deliberative informational discussions regarding various actions and other matters which have been approved at previous public meetings.

PUBLIC MEETING – 11:00 A.M

A. Motion to approve previous Board Meeting Minutes of the December 4, 2024 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 has reserved 10 minutes for public comment.

NEW BUSINESS

(1) Hampden Township Case No. 24-NE-14 Municipal Petition for Exemption from Liquor Code Statute Regarding Amplified Sound

(2) 4311 Main License, LLC 4311 Main Street Philadelphia, PA 19127-1538 License No. R-8136 LID 83480 Request for Modification of Conditional Licensing Agreement

(1) Berks Lodge No. 47 I B P O E C-490 (LID No. 605) Case No. 24-9014 235-237 Walnut Street Reading, Berks County Renewal with Notice of Change in Officers – Club

(2) Colebrookdale Railroad Preservation Trust
P-157 (LID No. 71312) Case No. 23-9104
4020 Prospect Hill Lane
Lower Pottsgrove Township
Pottstown, Montgomery County

Extension of License – Public Service

(3) Gatti Holdings LLC R-19900 (LID No. 69989) Case No. 24-9043 6817 Route 202 Solebury Township New Hope, Bucks County Request for Hearing to Extend Safekeeping Period – Restaurant

(4) MLT Entertainment, LLC

R-10874 (LID No. 80545) Case No. 23-9120 226 Meyran Avenue Pittsburgh, Allegheny County Request for Hearing After Revocation – Restaurant

(5) MSR Management, LLC t/a Magnolia Streamside Resort

(LID No. 116657) Case No. 23-9131 2518 Route 390 Barrett Township Canadensis, Monroe County New & Request for an Interior Connection with Another Business – Hotel

(6) Salem Beverage, Inc. t/a Salem Beverage

D-3490 (LID No. 127875) 804 East 5th Street Salem Township Berwick, Luzerne County Double Transfer & Request for Interior Connections with Another Business – Distributor

(7) Broomall Beer, LLC

D-3747 (LID No. 67662) Case No. 2023-67662 2056 Sproul Road Marple Township Broomall, Delaware County Renewal – District 11

HOLD 9/11/24 SESSION

Conditional Licensing Agreement

(8) Goofy's Eatery & Spirits, Inc.

R-17886 (LID No. 24401) Case No. 2024-24401 5965 York Road North Codorus Township Sprint Grove, York County Renewal – District 2

HOLD 10/30/24 SESSION

Conditional Licensing Agreement

(9) Gordon Grill, Inc.

E-1885 (LID No. 59852) Case No. 2024-59852 429 Gordon Street Allentown, Lehigh County Renewal – District 4

HOLD 9/25/24 SESSION

Conditional Licensing Agreement

(10) MC 6901 Frankford, Inc.

R-3187 (LID No. 56803) Case No. 2022-56803 6901 Frankford Avenue Philadelphia, Philadelphia County Renewal – District 10

HOLD 5/15/24 SESSION

Conditional Licensing Agreement

(11) Michael's Lounge 2, LLC Renewal – District 5 t/a Michael's Lounge R-10035 (LID No. 108202) Case No. 2023-108202 HOLD 7/10/24 SESSION 331 Singer Avenue McKees Rocks, Allegheny County **Conditional Licensing Agreement** (12) Poonam, Inc. Renewal – District 10 E-211 (LID No. 66468) Case No. 2024-66468 4346 Frankford Avenue **Conditional Licensing Agreement** Philadelphia, Philadelphia County (13) Second Base Restaurant & Lounge, Inc. Renewal – District 8 R-4694 (LID No. 67019) Case No. 2022-67019 123-131 West Broad Street **HOLD 10/16/24 SESSION** Hazleton, Luzerne County **Conditional Licensing Agreement** (14) Solkim, LLC Renewal – District 5 R-5092 (LID No. 100136) Case No. 2023-100136 1505 East Carson Street HOLD 5/15/24 SESSION Pittsburgh, Allegheny County **Conditional Licensing Agreement** Jennifer Haas, Director, Bureau of Human Resources Personnel Actions Josh Greene, Acting Chief, Purchasing & Contracting Administration Ijeoma Ezekoye, Director, Bureau of Financial Management & Analysis **Procurement Actions:** None

Inter-Agency Charges:

(1) Department of General Services (DGS) Property Costs (JOB 7) – Billing of \$111,428.44 comprises of \$118,691.38 expense with a \$7,262.94 true-up credit for the first quarter of FY 2024-25 for Commonwealth property costs. This is for the property costs for the Northwest Office Building (NWOB), which includes direct costs paid by DGS (electricity charges), as well as prorated expenses for Capital Police services, City of Harrisburg Fire Protection.

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

- 1. #0244 739 Monongahela Avenue, Glassport Amendment
- 2. #2506 Corry Plaza, 350 West Columbus Avenue, Corry Amendment
- 3. #4605 Melrose Shopping Center, 103 West Cheltenham Avenue, Cheltenham Amendment
- 4. #5408 Sharp Mountain Plaza, 888 Gordon Nagle Trail, Pottsville Amendment
- 5. #4646 50 Greenfield Avenue, Suite 62, Ardmore Exercise Option
- 6. #5412 515 Dock Street, Schuylkill Haven Exercise Option
- 7. #9705 935-37 North Third Street, Harrisburg Parking Agreement
- 8. #14XX 1536 North Atherton Street, State College New Store (to replace #1405)
- 9. #2605 213 Penn Street, Point Marion Closing

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

VENDOR – ITEM NAME

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	
Angel's Envy Straight Bourbon 100 mL	2, 3
Boston Beer Company Dogfish Head Bar Cart Cocktail 8x355 mL Variety Pack	2, 5
Cans Dogfish Head Bar Cart Tropical 8x355 mL Cans Variety Pack	2, 5
Sun Cruiser Classic Iced Tea 4x355 mL Cans Sun Cruiser Iced Tea and Vodka 8x355 mL Variety Pack Cans	10 4, 5
Brown Forman Corporation	
Jack Daniels and Coca Cola Variety Pack 6x355 mL	2, 4, 5
<u>Campari America</u>	
Howler Head Banana Bourbon 50 mL	3
Miraval Cotes de Provence Rose 750 mL	13
Wild Turkey Rare Breed Rye 750 mL	2, 3
Capital Wines and Spirits Cali Cocktails by Snoop Long Beach Lemonade 4x355 mL Cans	1, 2, 5, 12
Cali Cocktails by Snoop Smokin' Strawberry Margarita 4x355 mL Cans	1, 2, 5, 12
Carpano Antica Formula Vermouth 750 mL	4, 5, 3
Cognac Park Carte Blanche VS 700 mL	10
Cutwater Long Island Iced Tea 4x355 mL Cans	5, 9
Cutwater Mango Margarita 4x355 mL Cans	5, 6, 9
Cutwater Tequila Paloma 4x355 mL Cans	5, 6, 9
SunnyD Vodka Seltzer 8x355 mL Variety Pack Cans	2, 7, 5
te Pa Marlborough Pinot Gris 750 mL	11, 14

Two Chicks Craft Cocktails Variety Pack 8x355 mL Cans	4, 5
Capital Wines and Spirits Zing Zang Bloody Mary Cocktail 4x355 mL Cans	14
Constellation Brands Fresca Mixed Vodka Spritz 8x355 mL Variety Pack Cans	2, 4, 5
C Jacquin Et Cie Inc Bartender's Trading Company Horchata 750 mL	3
Diageo Americas Inc Smirnoff Smash Vodka Soda 8x355 mL Variety Pack Cans Baileys Non-Dairy Irish Oat Coffee Toffee Liqueur 750 mL	2, 4, 5 3, 12
Delicato Family Wines Schmitt Sohne Blue Bottle Sweet Riesling 500 mL	3
DV Spirits LLC Empress 1908 Cucumber Lemon Gin 750 mL	12
The Edrington Group The Macallan Highland Single Malt Scotch Sherry Oak Cask 18 Year Old 750 mL	2, 3
Heaven Hill Distilleries Inc Lunazul Tequila Anejo 750 mL Lunazul Tequila Blanco 375 mL	10 3
Irokos Group Swear Jar Canadian Whiskey 750 mL	9
Jim Beam Brands Co 196 Vodka Seltzer Variety Pack 8x355mL Cans Cruzan Aged Light Rum 1.75 L Maker's Mark 46 Straight Bourbon 1.75 L On The Rocks Lemon Drop Martini Cocktail 375 mL	10 4 2, 3 2, 3, 5
Juice and Dirt Beverage Company LLC Villa M Berry Semi Sweet Rose 750 mL	4, 5
Majestic W S USA Inc Hearst Ranch Winery Three Sisters White Cuvee 750 mL	5
Mast-Jagermeister US Inc Teremana Reposado Tequila 1.75 L	

MHW Ltd

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Ketel One Botanical Spritz 8x355 mL Variety Pack Cans	2, 5, 15
Monsieur Touton Selection	
Volante Italian Peach Bellini Nonvintage 750 mL	4, 5
North Wales Wines	
High Noon Day Pack Variety 8x355 mL Cans	2, 3, 4, 5
High Noon Lake Pack Variety 8x355 mL Cans	2, 3, 4, 5
High Noon Tequila Grapefruit Seltzer 4x355 mL Cans	2, 3, 6
High Noon Tequila Lime Seltzer 4x355 mL Cans	2, 3, 6
High Noon Vodka Iced Tea Peach 4x355 mL Cans	2, 3
High Noon Vodka Iced Tea Original 4x355 mL Cans	2, 3
New Amsterdam Tangerine Vodka 750 mL	12
Nobilo Silver 80 Calorie Sauvignon Blanc 750 mL	3
Rumchata Pineapple Cream Liqueur 750 mL	3
Smith & Hook Cabernet Sauvignon 750 mL	5, 10
Smith & Hook Sauvignon Blanc 750 mL	5
Northern Wine and Spirits	
Ballotin Chocolate Peanut Butter Cream 750 mL	3
Oasis Wine and Spirits LLC	
Compass Box Nectarosity Blended Scotch Whisky 750 mL	11
Fosforo Mezcal Ensamble 750 mL	3, 5
Sea Isle Spike Iced Tea Variety Pack 8x355 mL	5, 12
Cantine Francesco Montagna Sangue di Giuda 750 mL	4, 5
Palm Bay International	4.5
Bottega Fragolino Rosso Italy 750 mL	4, 5
Park Street Imports LLC	12
Meili Vodka 750 mL	13
Shanky's Whip Black Spirits Liqueur 750 mL	13
Paterno Imports Ltd	
Wairau River Pinot Gris Marlborough 750 mL	11, 14
Pernod Ricard USA	
Absolut Espresso Martini Cocktail 750 mL	2, 6
Absolut Ocean Spray Variety Pack 12x355 mL cans	2, 4, 5
Malibu Rum Punch Tetra Pack 1000 mL	5
Piedmont Distillers Inc	
Midnight Moon Apple Pie Moonshake 750 mL	3
Proximo Spirits Inc	_
400 Conejos Joven 750 mL	5

Jose Cuervo Authentic White Peach Light Margarita 1.75 L Jose Cuervo Tradicional Cristalino 750 mL	2, 3, 6
Remy Cointreau USA Inc Cointreau Liqueur 1.75 L	3
Sazerac Company Inc	2
99 Whipped Liqueur 750 mL Buffalo Trace Bourbon Cream 750 mL	3
	13
Buzzballz Chillers Biggie Chocolatini Wine Cocktail 1.5 L	18
Buzzballz Biggies Tequila 'Rita 1.75 L	
BuzzBallz Cocktails Tequila 'Rita 200 mL BuzzBallz Cocktails Choc Tease 200 mL	5, 13
BuzzBallz Cocktails Cran Blaster 200 mL	5, 13
BuzzBallz Cocktails Lotta Colada 200 mL	5, 13 5, 13
BuzzBallz Cocktails PeachBallz 200 mL	5, 13
BuzzBallz Cocktails Strawberry 'Rita 200 mL	5, 13
Buzzbanz Cocktans Strawberry Kita 200 mL	3, 13
Southern Glazers Wine and Spirits of PA	
Amarula Cream Liqueur 750 mL	13
Bunnahabhain Single Malt Scotch 12 Year Old 750 mL	13
Fiero Serrano Tequila Blanco 750 mL	10
Mamitas Tequila Hard Seltzer Variety Pack 8x355 mL Cans	4, 5
Ole Smoky Salty Caramel Tennessee Whiskey 1.75 L	2, 3
Revanche Cognac 750 mL	3
Speyburn Single Malt Scotch 10 Year 750 mL	2, 11
The Pale Rose by Sacha Lichine 750 mL	13
WhistlePig 12 Year World Wine Cask Finished Rye 750 mL	2, 3
Hampton Water Languedoc Rose 750 mL	13
S. A. C. A. B. C. I. C.	
Sweet Grace Distilling Co LLC Stateside Surfside Black Cherry Lemonade and Vodka 4x355 mL Cans	2, 3, 5
Stateside Surfside Raspberry Lemonade and Vodka 4x355	2, 3, 5
mL Cans Stateside Surfside Strawberry Lemonade and Vodka 4x355 mL Cans	2, 3, 5
The Copper Can LLC	
The Copper Can Peach Moscow Mule 4x355mL Cans	5, 12
Vintage Imports Inc	
Morgan Sauvignon Blanc Arroyo Seco 750 mL	5
St Supery Estate Sauvignon Blanc Napa Valley 750 mL	5

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
- 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

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- 16. PA Spirits
- 17. PA Wines
- 18. Licensee only
- 19. Probationary listing

2. Regular Recommended Delist

BRAND NAME AND SIZE	CODE
Capital Wine and Spirits	
Cognac Park Carte Blanche VS 750 mL	96563
<u>Heaven Hill Distilleries Inc</u>	
Burnett's Sweet Tea Vodka 1.75 L	98799
North Wales Wines	
LIQS Kamikaze Wine Cocktail Shot 4x50 mL	838
LIQS Lemon Drop Wine Cocktail Shot 4x50 mL	839
LIQS Margarita Wine Cocktail Shot 4x50 mL	840
Palm Bay Imports Inc	
Confetti Sweet Pink Rose 750 mL	97802
Southern Glazers Wine and Spirits of PA	
Severo Tequila Anejo 750 mL	97747

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

None

OTHER ISSUES

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

The Board has reserved 10 minutes for public comment.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next meeting of the PLCB will be a formal meeting on Wednesday, January 15, 2025 beginning at 11:00 A.M. Prior to the public meeting, an Executive Session or Sessions will be held for the specific purposes as regularly set forth in the printed Board Agenda.

ADJOURNMENT

Informational Statements to be included in the Public Meeting Agenda

For ALJ Cases:

These cases are appeals taken from adjudications rendered by an Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) in citation proceedings initiated by the Pennsylvania State Police, Bureau of Liquor Control Enforcement in accordance with section 471 of the Liquor Code, 47 P.S. § 4-471.

In all of these matters, an administrative hearing has already been held before an ALJ during which the parties were given the opportunity to present sworn testimony and other evidence, as well as to make legal arguments, in support of their respective positions.

The Board must affirm the ALJ unless the ALJ's decision is an error of law, an abuse of discretion or is not supported by substantial evidence. In some instances where noted, it may also be necessary for the Board to remand the matter back to the ALJ for additional action to be taken. In that the Board is acting in its quasi-judicial (appellate) capacity, deliberations on these matters may have already occurred during authorized executive sessions.

The reasoning for any final decision by the Board on these matters will be set forth in a publicly issued written opinion which will be released immediately after the Board session. Any party aggrieved by the Board's decision has the right to pursue an appeal to the applicable county court of common pleas in accordance with the Liquor Code.

For Application Matters such as New Licenses, Transfers of Existing License, or Extension of Premises:

In all of these matters, an administrative hearing - open to the public - has already been held before a Board-assigned hearing examiner. All interested parties, including the applicant, the Bureau of Licensing, and valid protesters and/or intervenors, were given the opportunity to present sworn testimony and other evidence, as well as to make legal arguments, in support of their respective positions. The Board has reviewed the administrative record created before the hearing examiner along with any briefs submitted by the parties, as well as the recommendations made by the assigned hearing examiner and the Board's legal counsel. In that the Board is acting in its quasi-judicial capacity, deliberations on these matters may have already taken place during authorized executive sessions.

In each case, the Board may either vote to approve the application outright, vote to approve the application subject to a conditional licensing agreement setting forth specific conditions agreed upon by the parties and which are reasonably intended to address specific concerns made part of the record, or vote to refuse the application its entirety. For any case in which the Board would like additional time to review the record prior to making its decision, the Board reserves the right to place a hold on such matter in which case "official action" will not be taken until a future Board meeting.

Any party aggrieved by the Board's decision has the right to pursue an appeal to the applicable county court of common pleas in accordance with the Liquor Code, or, in certain circumstances, directly to the Commonwealth Court. In the event that an appeal is filed, the Board, as required by the Liquor Code, will file a written opinion setting forth the specific reasoning for its decision.

For License Renewal Cases:

These cases involve applications for renewal of licenses to which the Bureau of Licensing has raised objections. In all of these matters, an administrative hearing - open to the public - has already been held before a Board-assigned hearing examiner. The parties were given the opportunity to present sworn testimony and other evidence, as well as make legal arguments. The Board has reviewed the administrative record created before the hearing examiner along with any briefs submitted by the parties, as well as the recommendations made by the assigned hearing examiner and the Board's legal counsel. In that the Board is acting in its quasi-judicial capacity, deliberations on these matters may have already taken place during authorized executive sessions.

In each case, the Board may either vote to approve renewal of the license outright, vote to approve renewal of the license subject to a conditional licensing agreement setting forth specific conditions agreed upon by the parties and which are reasonably intended to address the operational issues of the licensee, or vote to refuse renewal of the license in its entirety. For any case in which the Board would like additional time to review the record prior to making its decision, the Board reserves the right to place a hold on such matter in which case "official action" will not be taken until a future Board meeting.

An applicant aggrieved by the Board's decision has the right to pursue an appeal to the applicable county court of common pleas in accordance with the Liquor Code. In the event that an appeal is filed, the Board, as required by the Liquor Code, will file a written opinion setting for the specific reasoning for its decision.

For Noise Exemption Cases:

These matters involve municipal petitions for exemptions from the Liquor Code provisions dealing with amplified sound. In all of these matters, an administrative hearing – open to the public - has already been held before a Board-assigned hearing examiner during which the parties were given the opportunity to present sworn testimony and other evidence, as well as to make legal arguments, in support of their respective positions.

The Board has reviewed the administrative record created before the hearing examiner along with any briefs submitted by the parties, as well as the recommendations made by the assigned hearing examiner and the Board's legal counsel. In that the Board is acting in its quasi-judicial capacity, deliberations on these matters may have already taken place during authorized executive sessions.

In each case, the Board may either vote to approve the municipal petition for noise exemption outright, vote to limit its approval to a more defined area of the municipality than what is being requested, or vote to refuse the petition in its entirety. The Board must act upon a municipal petition for noise exemptions within 60 days of receiving such petition.

Any party aggrieved by the Board's decision has the right to pursue an appeal to the applicable county court of common pleas in accordance with the Liquor Code. In the event that an appeal is filed, the Board will file a written opinion setting for the specific reasoning for its decision as required by the Liquor Code.

For All Matters in Which the Board is Acting in its Quasi-Judicial Capacity

No additional testimony or evidence may be presented by the parties during the Board's public meeting. While the Board reserves the right to allow comments to be made by the public concerning any particular case, this is being done so with the understanding that such comments are not the equivalent of sworn testimony and, thus, will not be given any weight by the Board when rendering its decision. Additionally, the Board is not required to respond to any public comments offered, nor is it required to answer any questions concerning these matters.