



Massachusetts Gaming Commission Meeting Minutes

Date/Time: April 23, 2026, 10:00 A.M.

Place: Massachusetts Gaming Commission

VIA CONFERENCE CALL NUMBER: +1-213-631-9908

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The Commission conducted this public meeting remotely utilizing collaboration technology. Use of this technology was intended to ensure an adequate, alternative means of public access to the Commission's deliberations for any interested member of the public.

Commissioners Present:

Chair Jordan Maynard

Commissioner Eileen O'Brien

Commissioner Bradford Hill

Commissioner Nakisha Skinner

Commissioner Paul Brodeur

1. [Call to Order](#) (00:11)

Chair Maynard called to order the 587th Public Meeting of the Massachusetts Gaming Commission ("Commission"). Roll call attendance was conducted, and all five commissioners were present for the meeting.

2. [Meeting Minutes](#) (00:54)

a. March 26, 2026

The March 26, 2026 public meeting minutes were included in the Commissioners' Packet on pages 4 through 12.

Commissioner Brodeur moved that the Commission accept the meeting minutes from the March 26, 2026 public meeting as included in the Commissioners' Packet and discussed here today, subject to necessary edits for typographical errors or any other non-material matters. Commissioner O'Brien seconded the motion.

Roll call vote:

Commissioner O'Brien: Aye.

Commissioner Hill: Aye.

Commissioner Skinner: Aye.
Commissioner Brodeur: Aye.
Chair Maynard: Aye.
The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

3. [Administrative Update](#) (02:01)

a. Update on Division Chief, Financial Investigator staff position

Executive Director Dean Serpa stated that there was a recent vacancy for the position of Financial Investigations Division Chief. He stated that Commission staff had developed an updated job description, posted the position, and were ready to conduct candidate interviews. *A memorandum and the Financial Investigator Division Chief job description were included in the Commissioners' Packet on pages 13 through 16.*

Commissioner O'Brien asked if the person serving in this position is required to file a Statement of Financial Interest. Executive Director Serpa confirmed that they would and further, that he was required to inform the Commission of such positions. The Commission reached a consensus to have Commission staff move forward with the candidate interview process.

4. [Racing Division](#) (05:02)

a. Plainridge and Harness Horseman's Association of New England 2026 Purse Agreement

Director of Racing and Chief Veterinarian Dr. Alexandra Lightbown presented the 2026 purse agreement between Plainridge Park Casino ("PPC") and the Harness Horsemen's Association of New England ("HHANE"). *A memorandum and PPC's 2026 purse agreement were included in the Commissioners' Packet on pages 17 through 33.*

b. [Division of Racing 2025 Annual Report](#) (06:46)

Dr. Lightbown and Financial Analyst Chad Bourque presented the Racing Division's 2025 annual report. *The Racing Division's 2025 Annual Report was included in the Commissioners' Packet on pages 34 through 54.*

c. [Plainridge Park Casino Request for Approval of NYRABets as an ADW Provider for Harness Racing](#) (13:19)

Dr. Lightbown presented the request of Plainville Gaming and Redevelopment, LLC d/b/a Plainridge Park Casino ("PPC") for the approval of NYRA Bets as an advanced deposit wagering ("ADW") provider for harness racing in accordance with G.L. c. 128C, § 2(5). *A memorandum and PPC's request for the approval of NYRA Bets as an ADW provider for harness racing were included in the Commissioners' Packet on pages 55 through 56.*

Commissioner Hill moved that the Commission approve PPC's request for approval of NYRA Bets as a 2026 account wagering provider for standardbred or harness races, as included in the Commissioners' Packet and discussed here today. Commissioner Brodeur seconded the motion.

Roll call vote:

Commissioner O'Brien: Aye.

Commissioner Hill: Aye.

Commissioner Skinner: Aye.

Commissioner Brodeur: Aye.

Chair Maynard: Aye.

The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

5. [Sports Wagering Division](#) (16:04)

a. Update to Fanatics Betting and Gaming House Rules

Sports Wagering Compliance and Operations Manager Andrew Steffen presented proposed updates to FBG Enterprises Opco, LLC d/b/a Fanatics Betting and Gaming's ("Fanatics") House Rules. *A memorandum and Fanatics's proposed updated House Rules were included in the Commissioners' Packet on pages 57 through 62.*

Commissioner Brodeur sought clarification as to what would constitute an obvious error. Manager Steffen stated that the rule was designed so that the payout reflected the correct results and that the rule acted as a safeguard to ensure the integrity of the market should human error occur. Chris Mackey, a member of Fanatics's compliance team, explained that the rule would apply, for example, in a situation where a call made on the floor is later overturned, which reverses the market. He stated that the obvious error process helped to ensure integrity and fairness for patrons.

Commissioner Hill moved that the Commission approve the updates to Fanatics Betting and Gaming's House Rules, as included in the Commissioners' Packet and discussed here today. Commissioner O'Brien seconded the motion.

Roll call vote:

Commissioner O'Brien: Aye.

Commissioner Hill: Aye.

Commissioner Skinner: Aye.

Commissioner Brodeur: Aye.

Chair Maynard: Aye.

The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

6. [Legal Division](#) (22:09)

Chair Maynard stated that the Commission would take Agenda Items 7 and 8 before entering into executive session as the Commission did not anticipate reconvening the public meeting session following the executive session.

a. Executive Session Minutes (22:33)

I. Executive Session

Chair Maynard stated that the Commission anticipated that it would meet in executive session to review minutes from previous executive sessions as their discussion at an open meeting may frustrate the purpose for which the executive session was convened, pursuant to G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(7), c. 23N, § 6(i) and c. 4, § 7(26)(f): August 18, 2023; G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(7); c. 23N, § 6(i); and c. 4, § 7(26)(c): August 21, 2023 at 10:21 A.M. and 1:31 P.M.; and G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(7) and c. 23N, § 6(i): October 2, 2023 at 11:30 A.M. He stated that the Commission did not anticipate returning to the public meeting session following the executive session.

Commissioner O'Brien moved that the Commission go into executive session on the stated minutes and for the reasons just stated by the chair. Commissioner Hill seconded the motion.

Roll call vote:

Commissioner O'Brien: Aye.

Commissioner Hill: Aye.

Commissioner Skinner: Aye.

Commissioner Brodeur: Aye.

Chair Maynard: Aye.

The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Transcriber's Note: The Commission entered an executive session at 10:35 A.M. and did not reconvene the public meeting session.

7. Commissioner Updates (22:16)

Chair Maynard asked if there were any Commissioner updates. There were none.

8. Other Business (22:21)

Hearing no other business, Chair Maynard returned to Agenda Item 6(a).

List of Documents and Other Items Used

1. Notice of Meeting and Agenda dated April 21, 2026.
2. Commissioner's Packet from the April 23, 2026, meeting (posted on massgaming.com).