

**MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER BOARD  
MINUTES  
December 16, 2025**

**BOARD MEMBERS:**

Craig Fisher  
Matthew Gebhardt  
Amanda Gordon  
David Guttenberg  
Michael Hatchett  
Kevin Shaughnessy  
Matthew Shmigelsky  
Kamala Vanderkolk  
Seth Wong

**SENIOR DIRECTOR**

**SPECIALIZED BUSINESS GROUP:**

Michael Phibbs

**EXECUTIVE SECRETARY:**

John Opeka

**DEPT. OF REVENUE SBG/AID STAFF:**

Neal Robinson  
Frank Agos  
Gloria Breeden  
Joshua Dexter  
Billy Maestas  
Tim Rotter  
Rob Urbach  
Jeremy Scicluna  
Cheryl Morrison  
Jason Stern  
Lisa Garcia  
Arleen Tapanen

**ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE:**

Sarah Killeen  
Angela Little  
Sarah Bomgardner

**VISITORS:**

David Cardella, CIADA	Matthew Groves, CADA
Art Erwin	Dustin Stimson
Jamie Lovegrove	Jia Meeks
Randy Ernest	Shannon Fender
Adrian Castro	Emily Caldwell
John Carroll	Melissa Popovich
Matt Tynan	Sean Tynan
Danny Madigan	Mark Brady
Ted Smith	Ryan Johnson
Chris Lenckosz	Brian Bennett
Fred Emich	Blayne Johnson
Alex Young	Jamie Payne
Jessica Zumbrun	Julian M
Landon Gates	Manny Santistevan
Scott Allen	Townsend Brown
William Knowles	Adrian Castro
Markus Kamm	Peter
Brandon Swanson	Randy Earnest
Fred Smith	Michael McKinnon

President, Amanda Gordon, opened the meeting of December 16, 2025, at 9:01 a.m. Ms. Gordon relinquished the floor to Executive Secretary, John Opeka.

**AGENDA REVIEW AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mr. Opeka stated that meetings of the Colorado Motor Vehicle Dealer Board are open to the public and are recorded. Members of the press may be in attendance and all comments, contributions, videos, images, and documents presented during the public session of the Colorado Motor Vehicle Dealer Board are considered public open records. Members of the media should direct any inquiries about this meeting and open records to the Division's public information officer.

Mr. Opeka informed the Board that the Governor appointed Kamala Vanderkolk as a new public member of the Board.

**MINUTES**

The minutes of November 18, 2025, meeting was approved unanimously.

## EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT

Mr. Opeka presented the following to the Board:

- **Dealer Application - Scout Motor Sales, LLC #47344** - Motion to grant the license - approved 6-2 (Messrs. Fisher and Gebhardt opposed).

Ms. Killeen recused herself, turned off the audio, video and left the meeting.

**The Board entered the Executive Session at 9:27 a.m. to ask Conflicts Council legal questions regarding the Farid Zaravand matter and returned to the Open Session at 9:42 a.m.**

- **Review Final Board Order  
Farid Zaravand  
Salesperson License #120147** - Motion was made to adopt the final order and delegate signing authority to the Board's president - approved 7-1 (Mr. Hatchett opposed).
- **Review of Initial Decision and Determine the Final Order  
Jose Francisco Parra Garcia  
Salesperson License #205359** - Motion was made to accept the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, set aside the hearing officer's recommendation and revoke the license - passed unanimously.
- **Proposed Stipulation and Final Agency Order - 2 Mazda  
Motor Vehicle Dealer License #44988** - Motion to accept the proposed Stipulation and Final Agency Order - passed unanimously.
- **Proposed Stipulation and Final Agency Order - O'Meara GMC  
Motor Vehicle Dealer License #44014** - Motion to accept the proposed Stipulation and Final Agency Order - passed unanimously.
- **Proposed Stipulation and Final Agency Order - Rocky Mountain Eurosport Parker, LLC  
Motor Vehicle Dealer License #44992** - Motion to accept the proposed Stipulation and Final Agency Order - passed unanimously.

Ms. Killeen returned to the meeting.

## ATTORNEY GENERAL'S REPORT

Ms. Killeen presented the following to the Board:

- **Proposed Stipulation and Final Agency Order - Auto Mart USA Motor Vehicle Dealer License #38257**  
**BD22-0912** - Motion to accept the proposed Stipulation and Final Agency Order - approved unanimously.
- **Proposed Stipulation and Final Agency Order - AutoSource of the Springs, LLC Motor Vehicle Dealer License #43239**  
**BD19-0039** - Motion to accept the proposed Stipulation and Final Agency Order - approved unanimously.

## BACKGROUND INVESTIGATIONS REPORT

Ms. Breeden presented the following to the Board:

### Dealer Applications:

- **Euro-Bimmer, LLC #47311** - Motion to deny the license based on unfitness of financial character - approved unanimously.
- **Experian Auto, LLC #47335** - Motion to grant the license - approved unanimously.
- **Gold Rush Automotive #47357** - Motion to grant the license - approved unanimously.

## COMPLAINT INVESTIGATIONS REPORT

Mr. Robinson presented the following to the Board:

**November Statistical Reporting** - Mr. Robinson informed the Board that we started with 423 cases, 140 new cases were opened, and 93 cases were closed, giving the Division a balance of 538 open cases. There were 146 background inquiries performed.

### Affidavit of Probable Cause:

- **Gifty Auto Sale, LLC DL #45818** - Motion that the Board find probable cause based upon the Affidavit of Probable Cause presented to the Board today respective to Gifty Auto Sale, LLC, Dealer License #45818; and that the case be assigned to the Office of Administrative Courts for a hearing on the merits and that the Executive Secretary be permitted to engage in settlement negotiations pursuant to C.R.S. 44-20-104 - passed unanimously.

**New Business** - Mr. Opeka informed the Board that during the December 2, 2025, Stakeholder meeting, evaluation of dealer application criteria was discussed and proposed modifications to the guidelines.

The recommendation is that the Executive Secretary be delegated to issue a dealer license when the following proposed guidelines are met:

1. A net worth of \$100K is reasonable with a minimum of \$25K being liquid in the form of cash, bonds, stocks or vehicles at the time the application is submitted. The liquid assets must be in the applicant's name, or a written plan of how the applicant will use these assets when license is granted.
2. A credit score of 675.
3. Applicant has no unpaid financial obligations.

Mr. Opeka and Ms. Killeen will provide a red-line Delegation of Authority at the next meeting for the Board's review and approval.

Executive Secretary Opeka stated that the Motor Vehicle Dealer Board will now take public comments. We welcome you here and thank you for your time and concerns. If you raise your hand now, Ms. Criddell Tapanen will move you over as a panelist and we will let you know when you have been unmuted and may speak. Please turn on your video, state your name and then you may address the Board. The Board may or may not respond to your comments. Personal attacks against Board members, employees of the Auto Industry Division, or meeting presenters will not be tolerated. Please refrain from discussing specific complaints about licensees or alleged violations of licensees. The Board acts in a quasi-judicial capacity and these types of discussions are not appropriate for public comments. Failure to comply may result in your being muted.

**Public Comment** - Mr. David Cardella, CEO of CIADA thanked the Division for revisions to dealer application guidelines.

Ms. Shannon Fender of Scout Motors thanked the Board for their approval of Scout's dealer application.

The meeting of the Motor Vehicle Dealer Board was adjourned at 10:44 a.m.

*(Note: The Minutes of the Motor Vehicle Dealer Board summarize the contents of the meeting. They are not verbatim transcripts and are based principally upon the digital recording of the meeting and upon the later collaboration of staff attendees to ensure that the summary faithfully captures the matters before the Board and the actions the Board took. The digital recording of the meeting is a permanent record of the Board, retained in the electronic filing system of the Auto Industry Division, and is available as a resource for review, as needed.)*

John P. Opeka  
Executive Secretary