

OFFICE OF THE WASHINGTON STATE LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD MEETING

April 24, 2004

The regular meeting of the Washington State Liquor Control Board was called to order at 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, April 21, 2004 in the Board conference room, 3000 Pacific Avenue S.E., Olympia, Washington, by Chairman Merritt Long. Board Member Vera Ing and Board Member Roger Hoen were present. Tony Kim, Administrative Assistant to the Board summarized the minutes.

Licensing and Regulation Division: 9:00 – 9:45 A.M.

Staff Present: Pat Kohler, Administrative Director; Lorraine Lee, Licensing & Regulation Director; Teresa Berntsen, Rules Coordinator

Topic Discussed:

Ms. Lee recommended that the Board proceed with expedited rule making on existing rules regarding beer and wine price postings, in order to implement a law change made during the 2004 Legislative Session (ESB 6737). The proposed changes to WAC 314-20-100, 314-20-105, 314-24-190, and 314-24-200 would: Implement ESB 6737 by deleting references to price postings being open to inspection at all times, takes out redundancies with the guiding law (RCW 66.28.180), combine the two wine posting rules into one rule and the two beer posting rules into one rule, and simplify language. After some discussion, the Board asked her to come to the May 19th board meeting for official approval to proceed.

Policy, Legislative and Media Relations: 9:45 – 10:00 A.M.

Staff Present: Pat Kohler, Administrative Director; Lorraine Lee, Licensing & Regulation Director; Teresa Berntsen, Rules Coordinator

Topics Discussed:

Ms. Berntsen recommended that the Board proceed with preliminary rule making at the request of a petition for rule making by Gretchen Picket, owner of Gretchens in Mount Vernon. Ms. Picket would like the Board to amend WAC 314-02-105 to allow beer/wine specialty shops that do not meet the inventory requirement outlined in rule to sample beer or wine during cooking courses. The first stage of rule making would announce our intent to amend WAC 314-02-105 to allow beer/wine specialty shops to sample if they meet the existing sales requirements or they conduct bona food cooking classes and wish to sample during the class. Staff would work with internal and external stakeholders on the proposed rule language. After some discussion, the Board asked her to come to the April 21st

board meeting for official approval to proceed.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.