# OFFICE OF THE WASHINGTON STATE LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD Board Meeting Minutes – March 30, 2011

Chair Foster called the regular meeting of the Washington State Liquor Control Board to order at 10:02 a.m., on Wednesday, March 30, 2011 in the Boardroom, 3000 Pacific Avenue SE, Olympia, Washington. Members Kurose and Marr were also present.

# **Approval of Minutes**

The minutes from the March 23, 2011 meeting were approved.

### **New Employee Introductions**

Pat Kohler, Administrative Director welcomed Thomas Hoffer, Labor Relations Manager, Jessica Bliss, Administrative Assistant, and Michelle Couch, Office Assistant to the Human Resources Division. Bill Berni, Director of Distribution welcomed Ashley James to her new role as Administrative Assistant for the Distribution Center. Alan Rathbun, Director of Licensing, welcomed Terri Wheeler to her new role as Customer Service Representative. Randy Simmons, Director of Finance, also welcomed Mike Steenhout, Comptroller.

#### Years of Service

Pat Kohler presented Vanessa Underwood, Human Resources Consultant, with a certificate celebrating her 20 years of state service.

### **Spirit Product Recommendations**

Debi Besser, Purchasing Director, presented the list of recommendations regarding spirit products to the Board for consideration. Member Kurose made a motion to approve the list as recommended; Member Marr seconded the motion. All were in favor.

#### Wine/Beer Product Recommendations

Steve Burnell, Marketing Manager, presented the list of recommendations regarding wine/beer products to the Board for consideration. Member Marr made a motion to approve the list as recommended; Member Kurose seconded the motion. All were in favor.

## **New Business**

Steve Gano inquired if there would be an opportunity for mass producers who currently produce craft beers to expand their selection. Ms. Besser reported that the Liquor Control Board would welcome an opportunity to discuss their participation. Member Marr suggested looking at this issue in the super store project the agency is currently in the process of reviewing.

#### **Old Business:**

There was no old business.

The Board Meeting was adjourned at 10:39 a.m.

Sharon Foster
Board Chair

Ruthann Kurose Board Member

Board Member

Chris Marr