



Washington State Liquor Cannabis Board Meeting

Wednesday, August 10, 2016, 10:00 a.m.
LCB Headquarters - Boardroom
3000 Pacific Avenue SE, Olympia WA 98501

Meeting Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Jane Rushford called the regular meeting of the Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board to order at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, August 10, 2016. Member Ruthann Kurose was also present. Chair Rushford announced that Monday, August 15 the new Board Member, Ollie Garrett will start. The Board is excited to welcome the new Board Member and shared a copy of the Governor's announcement. (HANDOUT 1)

2. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

MOTION: Member Kurose moved to approve the July 27, 2016, meeting minutes.

SECOND: Chair Rushford seconded.

ACTION: Motion passed unanimously.

3. ACTION ITEMS (A-B)

ACTION ITEM 3A - Board Approval of (CR 102) for Warning Symbol for MJ Edibles

Karen McCall, Sr. Agency Rules and Policy Coordinator, began the briefing with materials (HANDOUTS 3A 1-4). She provided background noting that a new warning symbol is needed to notify consumers and children that a marijuana product contains THC. Concerns have been raised about the risk of accidental consumption of marijuana products by children and ways for adults that have over consumed marijuana products to contact the Washington Poison Center when experiencing adverse effects. The WSLCB is considering adopting a warning symbol to deter accidental consumption of marijuana products by children and to provide emergency services contact information in cases of accidental exposure or over consumption.

This process started last year when the Board considered using the Mr. Yuk sticker on all edibles. We received a lot of feedback and concern with using the Mr. Yuk symbol. Board approved the filing of a CR 101 to initiate permanent rulemaking on this subject on June 15, 2016. A presentation of the "Not for Kids" warning symbol by the Washington Poison Center occurred at the July 13, 2016 Board meeting. This proposed rule incorporates the "Not for Kids" symbol into the new warning symbol labeling requirements for marijuana products meant to be eaten or swallowed. There would be no cost to use the digital symbol, the cost if they choose to use the sticker would be \$12 to \$13 per roll for 1,000 stickers.

Timeline

June 15, 2016	Board approved filing the pre-proposal statement of inquiry (CR 101)
July 6, 2016	Code Reviser publishes notice, WSLCB sends notice to rules distribution list
August 10, 2016	End of written comment period
August 10, 2016	Board is asked to approve filing the proposed rules (CR 102 filing)
September 7, 2016	Code Reviser publishes notice, WSLCB sends notice to rules distribution list
November 2, 2016	Public Hearing held
November 2, 2016	End of written comment period
November 16, 2016	Board is asked to adopt rules
November 16, 2016	Agency sends notice to those who commented both at the public hearing and in writing.
November 16, 2016	Agency files adopted rules with the Code Reviser (CR 103)
February 14, 2017	Rules are effective (90 days after filing)*

Member Kurose commented that the cost is minimal and that this is a public safety issue to deter children for consuming marijuana edibles.

Chair Rushford commented that after hearing from the prevention community during the statewide public outreach last year we knew this was important. We welcomed the opportunity to have the Washington Poison Center approached this issue and have the benefit to have all involved.

Ms. McCall then requested approval from the Board to file proposed rules.

MOTION: Member Kurose moved to approve the filing of proposed rules (CR 102) for Warning Symbol for MJ Edibles.

SECOND: Chair Rushford seconded.

ACTION: Motion passed unanimously.

ACTION ITEM 3A - Board Approval to readopt emergency rules for Lab Certification & Proficiency Testing.

Karen McCall, Sr. Agency Rules and Policy Coordinator, began the briefing with materials (HANDOUTS 3A 1-3). She provided background noting that the emergency rules are necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, and general welfare. The rule becomes effective upon filing with the Code Reviser's Office and will expire December 7, 2016, 120 days after filing. This emergency rule filing is a refiling of previously adopted emergency rules on this subject. Permanent rulemaking for these rules is currently underway.

Ms. McCall then requested approval from the Board to readopt emergency rules for Lab Certification & Proficiency Testing.

MOTION: Member Kurose moved to readopt emergency rules for Lab Certification & Proficiency Testing.

SECOND: Chair Rushford seconded.

ACTION: Motion passed unanimously.

4. ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

Chair Rushford then invited citizens to address the Board regarding any issue(s) related to LCB business. There were no comments.

Jim MacRae – Straight Line Analytics

Mr. MacRae believes cannabis is not toxic and opposes the “Not for Kids” warning symbol. He also wants WSLCB to continue monitoring the testing labs to ensure they are in compliance.

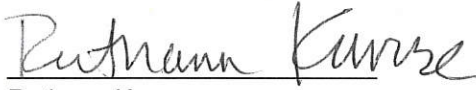
ADJOURN

Chair Rushford adjourned the meeting at 10:12.

Minutes approved this 24th day of August, 2016



Jane Rushford
Board Chair



Ruthann Kurose
Board Member

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