



Board Caucus Meeting

Tuesday, April 13, 2021, 10:00 am

This meeting was held via conference call

Meeting Minutes

CAUCUS ATTENDEES

Chair David Postman
Member Ollie Garrett
Member Russ Hauge (*excused*)
Dustin Dickson, Executive Assistant

GUESTS

Rick Garza, Agency Director
Kathy Hoffman, Policy and Rules Manager
Audrey Vasek, Policy and Rules Coordinator

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

MOTION: Member Garrett moved to approve the March 16, 2021 and March 30, 2021 Board caucus minutes.

SECOND: Chair Postman seconded.

ACTION: Chair Postman approved the motion.

AGENCY UPDATES

Rick noted that he was also scheduled to provide updates at tomorrow's Executive Management Team meeting and suggested that he wait until then to provide his update as to not be repetitive. David and Ollie concurred.

BOARD MEETING PREP AND RULES UPDATE

Kathy provided a cannabis rulemaking update, including:

- Quality Control
 - Additional revisions made to responsive document following the Supplemental CR 102 hearing, including updated content reflecting the North American Industry Classification System recognition of cannabis production and sale categories
 - Further information should be available on the web page in the next day or so
 - Continuing to explore where revisions can align with statutory authority, and with the traceability program redesign
- Tier I Expansion
 - Survey report released April 2
 - Proposal should be ready for proposal by the end of the month

- Criminal History Background Check
 - Agency policy workgroup will review draft conceptual rules tomorrow
 - “Listen and Learn” hopefully in the first week of May
 - Draft proposal tentatively scheduled for mid to late June
- On the Horizon
 - Vitamin E acetate emergency scheduled for renewal on April 28
 - Final renewal as permanent cross references are developed relating to the State Board of Health’s prohibition
 - No comments received
 - HB 1210 – replacing the term “marijuana” with “cannabis” throughout LCB rules is pending

David inquired about the timeline of HB 1210. Kathy confirmed it was still moving through the process, and anticipated it would pass. She clarified that the rules she was working on were to implement the change as quickly as possible. David noted the LCB should be prepared to do whatever they could, including what could be done if the bill did not pass. Kathy concurred.

Audrey provided an alcohol related rulemaking update, including:

- Supplemental CR 102 to Implement 2020 Legislation – E2SSB 5549 (Distilleries)
 - Will present for consideration tomorrow
 - Hearing set for April 28
 - Public comment period opened on March 17, will remain open until April 28
 - No comments received
 - Tentative adoption scheduled for May 12
- Implementation of 2021 Legislation – E2SHB 1480 – Agency Request Bill Related to COVID-19 Alcohol Allowances
 - Bill passed on March 29, awaiting signature by the Governor tomorrow
 - Will create an internal review team once the bill is signed
 - CR 101 should be ready for consideration sometime in May
- Scheduled for Tomorrow
 - CR 102 for Distillery Reporting and Payment Rules
 - Conceptual rules shared for public feedback on March 1
 - Internal review of feedback included in handout information (Attachment B)
 - No changes made to draft rules
 - Hearing scheduled for May 26
 - CR 101 for Summary Suspension and Stay Provisions for Enforcement of Governor’s Proclamations
 - Will replace emergency rules

David asked if the CR 101 for Summary Suspension Rules would also apply to any other emergency orders the Governor may issue of if they were specific to COVID-19. Audrey said they were written broadly enough to consider situations outside of the current COVID-19 situation. David asked if this would cover all license suspensions. Audrey clarified the intent was only to involve summary suspension events. David thanked Audrey and Kathy for their presentations.

BOARD MEMBER AND EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT REPORTS

Ollie and David agreed they were looking forward to tomorrow’s Executive Management Team (EMT) updates.

David reminded the public that there was a Board meeting tomorrow at 10:00 am and that EMT would convene at 1:30 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 10:22am.

Minutes approved this 27th day of April, 2021.



David Postman
Board Chair



Ollie Garrett
Board Member

Not Present

Russ Hauge
Board Member

Minutes Prepared by: Dustin Dickson, Executive Assistant to the Board