# WASHINGTON STATE LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD Board Meeting Minutes – May 16, 2012

Board Member Chris Marr called the regular meeting of the Washington State Liquor Control Board to order at 10:03 a.m., on Wednesday, May 16, 2012 in the Boardroom at 3000 Pacific Avenue S.E. in Olympia, Washington. Board Member Ruthann Kurose was present. Board Chair Sharon Foster was absent.

## **Approval of Minutes**

Minutes from the May 3, 2012 meeting were approved.

Spokane East-Central Alcohol Impact Area – Request for Approval to Seek Public Comment Licensing Director, Alan Rathbun, presented the Board with a request for approval to seek public comment regarding Spokane's East-Central Alcohol Impact Area. Previously designated a voluntary Alcohol Impact Area, the east central section of Spokane has been unsuccessful in their 2-year initiative to mitigate the effects of chronic public inebriation. As such, the city of Spokane petitioned the Liquor Control Board to designate the area a mandatory Alcohol Impact Area. With the Board's approval, Licensing will make formal contact with licensees and other stakeholders within the area to request feedback. The public comment period ends July 6, 2012. Stakeholders interested in providing feedback are encouraged to email: <a href="mailto:aia@liq.wa.gov">aia@liq.wa.gov</a>. Board Member Kurose made a motion to approve. Member Marr seconded. All were in favor.

## **Employee Recognition**

District Manager Dave Wilson recognized Store Manager Brendan Sexton for 39 years of service with the Liquor Control Board. Brendan, who last managed Store 116 in Silverlake, noted that the people he has met over his years of employment have been one of the best aspects of the job. Board Members Kurose and Marr expressed their appreciation for Brendan's contributions, and wished him well in retirement.

### **New Business**

There was no new business.

#### **Old Business:**

There was no old business.

The Board Meeting was adjourned at 10:16 a.m.

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