WASHINGTON STATE LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD Board Meeting Minutes – November 7, 2012

Board Chair Sharon Foster called the regular meeting of the Washington State Liquor Control Board (WSLCB) to order at 10:01 a.m., on Wednesday, November 7, 2012 in the Boardroom at 3000 Pacific Avenue S.E., Olympia, Washington. Board Member Ruthann Kurose participated by phone. Board Member Chris Marr was present.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the October 31, 2012 meeting were approved.

Board Adoption of Rules for Internet Sales and Delivery of Spirits

Rules Coordinator Karen McCall presented the Board with a CR 103 for Internet Sales and Delivery of Spirits by Spirits Retail Licensees. The public hearing regarding this rulemaking, held the week prior, featured three speakers in support of the rulemaking and two against. Karen clarified that the rule does not allow out-of-state retailers to sell in Washington. Member Marr made a motion to approve the CR 103. Member Kurose seconded. All were in favor.

Public Hearing on Brief Adjudicative Proceedings

The meeting was opened up to public testimony regarding rulemaking for a Brief Adjudicative Proceeding (BAP). Per the Administrative Procedures Act (RCW 34.05.482), agencies have the ability to utilize an abbreviated administrative hearing process (BAP), where the issues or interests involved to not warrant use of full adjudicative procedure. Thus far, Karen has received one written comment on the rulemaking. No attendees provided verbal testimony.

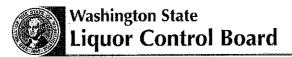
New Business

Chair Foster noted that, with the apparent passage of Initiative 502, the WSLCB would be tasked with implementation of rules and regulations as outlined in the Initiative. Stakeholders are encouraged to check the WSLCB website for the latest updates: www.liq.wa.gov. They may also sign up to receive information via email, by joining the I-502 listsery: http://www.liq.wa.gov/marijuana/email-notifications.

Jas Sangha, President of the Washington Liquor Store Association (WaLSA), asked that the WSLCB lower its price for the inventory not sold at the November 1, 2012 auction at the Distribution Center. Jas stated that he hoped the WSLCB would sell to interested parties at lower prices as opposed to destroying product. Administrative Director Pat Kohler noted that most of the product was covered by buyback agreement, so destruction would likely not be necessary. She told Jas that the WSLCB would keep stakeholders informed regarding remaining inventory, as options were explored.

Old Business:

There was no old business.



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The Board Meeting was adjourned at 10:21 a.m.

Sharon Foster, Board Chair Ruthann Kurose, Board Member Chris Marr, Board Member