OFFICE OF THE WASHINGTON STATE LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD Board Meeting Minutes – December 8, 2010

Chair Foster called the regular meeting of the Washington State Liquor Control Board to order at 10:10 a.m., on Wednesday, December 8, 2010 in the Boardroom, 3000 Pacific Avenue SE, Olympia, Washington. Member Kurose was also present.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the November 10, 2010 meeting were approved.

Label Approval

Alan Rathbun, Licensing Director, reported that if any labels come back for approval, they would be presented to the Board at that time.

Recognition

The Toastmaster Award was presented to Pat Kohler, Administrative Director, for her work in enhancing employee growth and skill development by encouraging the creation of the Toastmaster program.

Mary Segawa, Alcohol Awareness Program Manager, was recognized by the U.S. Navy for her time and effort in the 2010 Rights Spirit Fair.

The Liquor Control Board was recognized by RUaD for their work in changing regulations surrounding advertising rules and for their outstanding practices in the nation.

Potential New Listings and Rejections

Debi Besser, Purchasing Director, presented the potential new listings and rejections list. Member Kurose made a motion to approve. Chair Foster seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Potential Restricted Products

Debi Besser presented the potential restricted products list. Member Kurose made a motion to approve. Chair Foster seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Potential Size Extensions

Steve Burnell, Marketing Manager, presented the potential size extensions list. Member Kurose made a motion to approve. Chair Foster seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Potential One Time Only Listings

Steve Burnell presented the potential one time only listings. Member Kurose made a motion to approve. Chair Foster seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Potential Proof Changes

Steve Burnell presented the potential proof changes. Member Kurose made a motion to approve. Chair Foster seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Potential Wine One Time Only Listings

Steve Burnell presented the potential wine one time only listings. Member Kurose made a motion to approve. Chair Foster seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Public Hearing - WAC 314-02

Karen McCall, Rules Coordinator, presented the changes to the rules surrounding requirements for retail liquor licenses, including beer and wine tasting in grocery stores. Bruce Beckett, Washington Restaurant Association, provided public comment to the Board regarding their reservations surrounding some of the changes. The recommendation by Mr. Beckett is to keep the meals at four rather than eight. He also offered alternative language in the rules surrounding ala carte menus. Mr. Beckett recommended the changes in regard to notification be two to five days prior to the event. Jan Gee, Washington Food Industry, thanked the workgroup for their hard work and

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noted that the industry supports the proposed rules. She also shared that vertical licenses are still an issue. Further discussions will be held within the industry to decide how to handle service to minors with vertical licenses.

New Business

Jean Leonard, Washington Wine Institute, presented to the Board a program between wineries and restaurants in Yakima which is designed to promote tourism. This program allows a customer who buys a bottle of wine at a local winery to take it to a restaurant the same day with their receipt and the restaurant will waive the corkage fee. The wine industry believes that this is not a violation and is a benefit to the restaurant but not the winery. It was decided to bring back this issue for further discussion and explore options to resolve it in another way besides legislation.

Old Business:

There was no old business.

The Board Meeting was adjourned at 11:28 a.m.

Sharon Foster. **Board Chair**

Ruthann Kurose.

Board Member