

Washington State Liquor Control Board Public Hearing/Special Meeting

August 8, 2013, 6:00 to 9:00 Spokane Convention Center, Ballroom 100A 334 West Spokane Falls Blvd, Spokane, WA 99201

Meeting Minutes

Audio for this hearing is available online at www.youtube.com/wslcb

CALL TO ORDER

Member Marr called the meeting to order and welcomed all of the guests.

BOARD INTRODUCTIONS

Board Members provided comments about the process and thank everyone who has participated with this open and inclusive process.

I - 502 PRESENTATION

Director Rick Garza provided an overview of the proposed rules, agency objectives for implementing I-502, and timelines.

LCB Agency Objectives:

- Creating a tightly controlled and regulated marijuana market
- Including strict controls to present diversion, illegal sales and sale to minors
- Providing reasonable access to products to mitigate the illicit market

LCB Role & Responsibilities:

- Ensuring public safety it the top priority
- Creating an three-tier regulatory system for marijuana
- Crating licenses for producers, processors and retailers
- Enforcing laws and rules pertaining to licensees
- Collecting and distributing taxes

Timeline:

December 6, 2012
Effective date of new law

May 16, 2013 Draft rules sent to stakeholders for input and vetting
July 03 2013 Proposed rules filed with Code Reviser (CR 102)

August 6-8, 2013 Public hearings on proposed rules

August 14, 2013 Rules adopted

September 16, 2013 Rules become effective

September 16, 2013 Begin accepting applications for all three licenses (30-day window)

December 1, 2013
Rules are complete (as mandated by law)

Dec. 2013 / Jan. 2014 Begin issuing producer, processor and retailer licenses

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Audio with complete public testimony for this hearing is available online at www.youtube.com/wslcb

32 people signed up to testify including:

- Sean Green President, Pacific NW Medical Candies
- Nicole Kelly Expansion Coordinator, Pacific NW Medical Candies
- Joseph Harrison Pacific NW Medical Candies
- Ben Cabildo
- Harold Zaagsma
- Judge Gloria Ochoa
- James Wilburn NAACP
- Larry Beck
- Ken Martin Jr. Cannabis Action Coalition
- Kelly Conz WCAB
- John Renshaw G&J Farms
- Mike Levers
- Linda Thompson GSSAC/WASAVP
- Esther Larsen WADEC
- Art Fleming
- Rich Lappenbusch
- Ken Brinkley
- John Francois
- Michael Batori
- Scott Fox
- Michael Ferguson
- Shawn West
- John Mortimer
- Shawn Depew
- Ted Smith
- Randall Parr
- Shawn Sturnsaw
- Rolland Gregg HelpFreeCannabis.com
- Leonard Higgins
- Robert Metzger The Herbal Connection
- Daphne Williams
- Corey Hunt

ADJOURN			
Chair Foster adjourned the mee	ting at 8:40 pm.		
Sharon Foster Board Chair	Ruthann Kurose Board Member	Chris Marr Board Member	
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