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MEDICAL MARIHUANA LICENSING BOARD

JUNE 26, 2017 MEETING

APPROVED MINUTES

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended, the Michigan Medical Marihuana Licensing Board met on June 26, 2017, at the G. Mennen Williams Building, Auditorium, 525 West Ottawa Street, Lansing, Michigan 48933.

CALL TO ORDER

Johnson, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 1:43 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Rick Johnson, Chairperson
Donald Bailey
Nichole Cover
David LaMontaine
Vivian Pickard

Staff Present: Shelly Edgerton, LARA Director
Andrew Brisbo, State Bureau Administrator
Desmond Mitchell, State Division Administrator
Colleen Curtis, State Assistant Administrator
LeeAnn Barrett, Departmental Analyst
Eldiva Thomas, Executive Secretary
Michelle Brya, Assistant Attorney General
Tom Quasarano, Assistant Attorney General
Joshua Booth, Assistant Attorney General
Erika ~~Marzaret~~ Marzorati, Assistant Attorney General

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Cover, seconded by Pickard, to approve the agenda, as presented. A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENTATIONS

- A. Open Meetings Act and Freedom of Information Act – AAG Tom Quasarano
- B. Ex Parte Communication – AAG Erika Marzorati

PUBLIC COMMENT

MOTION by Pickard, seconded by LaMontaine, to limit public comments to 3 minutes per citizen. A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

John Kroneck (Michigan Prevention Association) addressed the board regarding THC levels and access by youth.

Brant Johnson (Brant A. Johnson and Associates Law Firm) addressed the board regarding the composition of the board and the license application process.

Sue Bond (Relief) addressed the board regarding the department's organizational structure.

Thomas Wright (Michigan Total Healing Center) addressed the board regarding co-location of licensed facilities.

Allison Ireton (Attorney from Ann Arbor) addressed the board regarding the licensing of provisioning centers.

Christine Norman (HumbleBee Products) addressed the board regarding municipalities and seed-to-sale tracking.

W. Thomas Hamlin (Lansing resident) addressed the board regarding marihuana as a schedule 1 controlled substance and accountability to voters.

Chad Morrow (Otsego County MM Dispensary Owner) addressed the board regarding transparency under the Open Meetings Act, the administrative rules process, and the appointment of Mr. Bailey to the board.

Cathleen Graham (Hospice RN) addressed the board regarding strains of marihuana and labeling requirements.

Don Koshmider (Best Cadillac Provisions) addressed the board regarding the appointment of Mr. Bailey to the board.

Courtney Short (The Tree House) addressed the board regarding banking in the marihuana industry.

Rick Thompson (Michigan NORML/MICBD Group) addressed the board regarding the format of public comment, the appointment of the Marihuana Advisory Panel, and the administrative rules process.

Lynne Miller (Caregiver) addressed the board regarding the impact of the law on caregivers and transportation costs.

Eric Gunnels (Trustee for Thetford Township) addressed the board regarding communication with local officials and local preference for licensees.

Kathy Biggins (NCIA, Accountant) addressed the board regarding dialogue with the board, pesticide regulation, and licensing fees.

James McGillie addressed the board about the seed-to-sale tracking process.

Stephen Monti (Cannabis Caucus of the MDP) addressed the board regarding applications processing, applications for multiple licenses, reparations to individuals with cannabis felony convictions, and transparency in the licensing process.

Lawrence Muhammad (City of Detroit Inspector) addressed the board regarding enforcement and applicants in Detroit for care centers.

Teisha Doyle (patient from Ohio) addressed the board regarding her personal experience with cannabis.

Angela Shivley (from Perry) addressed the board regarding small grow operations and appointments to the Marihuana Advisory Panel.

Jason Matlock (Grand Cru LLC) addressed the board regarding medical marihuana businesses and agricultural laws.

Matt Hoffman (National Cannabis Industrial Organization) addressed the board regarding special licenses to train local businesses.

Diane Ferguson addressed the board regarding federal agents having medical marijuana registry cards.

Matt Brazys addressed the board regarding his personal experience as a patient and law enforcement.

Jeffrey Hank (Consumer Practice) addressed the board regarding transparency and providing answers to individuals' questions.

Matthew Abel (Michigan NORML) addressed the board regarding the room for the board meeting, co-location of licensed facilities, the cost of licenses, and the schedule of board meetings.

David Dodson (from Ann Arbor) addressed the board regarding his support for the co-location of licensed facilities.

Jonathan Carlson (Stoned Mason Industries) addressed the board regarding his support for Mr. Abel's comments.

Tom Lavigne, Cannabis (Counsel PLC Law Firm) addressed the board regarding the rule-making process and its impact on sick people.

Ann Cisco (Cannabis Counsel PLC) addressed the board regarding her support for Mr. Lavigne's comments.

Colin MacDougall (Dearborn) addressed the board regarding caregivers working at grow operations and the effects of THC and cannabinoids on the body.

APPROVAL OF 2017 MEETING SCHEDULE

MOTION by LaMontaine, seconded by Cover, to approve proposed meeting schedule, with the understanding that there will be a meeting before October 12. A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

MOTION by Cover, seconded by Bailey, that LARA staff post the Open Meetings Act notices for the board meetings. A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Cover, seconded by LaMontaine, to adjourn the meeting at 3:31p.m. A voice vote followed.

MOTION PREVAILED

Board Approved on: August 21, 2017