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Marijuana Control Board Meeting Agenda Fourth Judicial District Pike's Waterfront Lodge, 1850 Hoselton Rd, 2nd Floor (Fireweed Conference Room) Fairbanks, Alaska

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All times are approximate. Lunch break from 12:00 noon to 1:00 pm.

The Board may go into executive session at any time when appropriate under AS 44.62.310(b) and (c).

ADMINISTRATION

9:00 am

A. Call to Order

9:00 am

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B. Roll Call

Nick Miller, Industry Member and Board Chair, present in person Bruce Schulte, Public Member and Vice Chair, present in person Christopher Jaime, Public Safety Member, present in person Eliza Muse, Public Health Member, present in person Ely Cyrus, Rural Public Member, not present

Joan Wilson, Director, present in person Kevin Higgins, Assistant Attorney General, present in person Jane Sawyer, Acting Program Coordinator, present on Zoom James Hoelscher, Enforcement Supervisor, present on Zoom Maya Ali, Administrative Officer, present on Zoom Carrie Craig, Records and Licensing Supervisor, present in person Nathan Hall, Occupational Licensing Examiner, present in person

C. Approval of Agenda

Bruce S. motions to approve the agenda. Christopher J. seconds. None opposed, motion passes.

D.	AMCO Meeting Code of Conduct	<u>TAB 1</u>
E.	Top 10 Zoom FAQ	<u>TAB 2</u>
F.	Approval of the July 19, 2022 MCB Special Meeting Minutes	<u>TAB 3</u>

Bruce S. motions to approve the minutes. Christopher J. seconds. None opposed, motion passes.

G. The June 29 and 30, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes will be available at the December 13 – 14, 2021 meeting.

BOARD GOVERNANCE

There is nothing new to report from the board members.

9:10 am

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

The Board may decide to limit public testimony.

Public testimony is limited to issues not on this agenda and that are not proposed regulations Written comments may also be submitted to the board for review during its next regular meeting via <u>marijuana@alaska.gov</u>.

9:05 am: Public Testimony is open.

Bailey Stewart, licensee and course provider, is present in person: Today I want to bring to the board's attention some observations I have made while working on my learning and permit course. One of the biggest questions I have is, why are we required to educate our recreational industry permit holders on Alaska statute 17.37, which, as currently written, really has no standing in our industry. The marijuana handlers permit isn't required for AS 17.37 caregivers. It is the most obsolete statute scene at AS 17.38 allows Alaskan to go up to six cents. However, we are required to educate our industry members on something we essentially have to ignore. This is confusing, and adds more information to a student which does not facilitate, and being properly educated for what the handwriting is used for. I want to understand the Board's intentions in having a marijuana handlers permit for us cover 17.37. I asked, this, because in that it is in every case of an employee meeting of marijuana handlers permit. They cannot make sure they have a therapeutic statement which is all 17.38. I want to discuss my experience with the Board's intention on wanting to place due diligence is holding our on our account for understanding the regulations there to uphold in marijuana laws in our State. However, what I have seen in over six years of being operational is that almost no one that I interview that hold me I want to publish from it even remembers the bigger picture regulations such as daily limits as a retailer. This is almost always the case, which is what is the point of these extensive forces that cover mostly what the licenses should know if they're not even taking away the most basic information that is applicable to being an employee of a recreational industry as a teacher, my efforts are fruits, but I cannot get my student to retain the information that is flip to them. I ask that you take moment and review 3 AAC 306.701(b)(1), and ask yourself: This is truly information being more about numbers to be focused on. As you can see. I've been firing for most six years, and I think one of the biggest things that I want to see when a budtender comes in for an interview that they understand daily limits, and I would think of the cultivator that they would want to have basic information such as you know in our and I just wanted to bring that to your attention, since I'm working on this course, and I just don't know where AS 17.38 applies to people. That was it. I appreciate you guys on that.

Board: I do have a question. Do you have a sense for like in your own books, how much of the words. How many questions do you field? Are some keepers?

Bailey: Almost nothing. I mean well, useful and permanent. Yeah, and my quite things like how many of
the questions? We have it for us. How many, how many questions do you feel you have, or what
percentage of the course we feel must be devoted to AS 17.37 to cover that maybe one. And honestly,
when you look at AS 17.37, all it's really allowing is for a minor to be able to use medical marijuana and I
don't really feel like that even has a place in our courses, even though they need two positions.
Signatures to have that permit. But really I haven't seen it run up, and I was just trying to understand the
board members. So you're right. There's almost no questions on the test that really should be covering
some two hundred and thirty-one. However, we're plastic. Cover it, and educate them on it. I just feel like
It's a lot of conflicting information, especially so when it's on hundreds of interviews. At this point I would
like to see people come to me with, uh, truly understanding what they need to know, such as daily limits,
which has been one of my bigger scribes with my tutors coming out, so I feel like that's the number one
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thing you should know coming into the industry.

9:10 am: Ely Cyrus is present on Zoom.

Ryan Tunseth, licensee and president of AMIA, is present in person: I know most of you. I'm a retail store owner in Kenai and I'm also the president of our Industry Association, the Alaska Marijuana Industry Association. Thank you for the opportunity to comment. Thank you to staff, all the board members for your time and to the City of Firbanks for hosting our industry. Specific to the staff. I just want to say thank you for all the hard work that's been done, and I know you guys are working really hard to get the licensing queue under control and it shows the work that's being done. Our industry really appreciates. And I would just say to licensees that are out there that are continuing to wait, we're going to get this right. We're going to fix it, and we're going to clean this up, and I know that the staff is working very hard to do that. So, um. I appreciate that. Additionally, for the staff, the creation of the listening sessions that we had have been phenomenal. And I would encourage the Board to support that and to continue those. It really is sort of the back of the bar napkin atmosphere that we have in our industry to be able to really flush out things and talk about things, and it's sort of a safe space for industry as well to sort of share where the rubber meets the road, or we feel like things are being done, or that gray area, and between our regulations exist. And so, I really appreciate it, being involved in those, and I certainly hope we can continue that kind of dialogue, because it's really valuable to me, and I think it's valuable for a lot of licensees.

I want to address tax again for people who are knowing that this is something that we need to change and work on. It's being worked on, and I really expect there to be more announcements about that later, and sort of some exciting news about where this is going. So I look forward to being able to talk to the industry about that. But just know that, like we're working really hard on it.

And we think we have a solution to that in addition to the hemp issues, but at least a solution to be able to work on them a framework to be able to address them, and the hemp issue is particularly tough. It is an issue that you felt like it was pointed a little bit at the Department of Agriculture, but this is a federal issue. It's a big issue and it's undercutting our markets, and it's in our state, it's being sold in stores, and we know that. And so we have to fix that and I think we will. But I really want you guys to continue to keep that in focus, because it continues to sort of gall blade of our regulations. And this bond, and it's making some very difficult sort of situations in our state exist because of it. And so I really, again want to say that I think we have the right process, and people in place to sort of be able to start addressing this. I was gonna talk about the culinary arts thing with Bailey kind of hit on it. We're really excited. She came to us to ask if we would support it or partner, and offer help, and certainly wanted to. And so It's a really exciting thing to be able to see, there being curriculum developed on cannabis. And so it's exciting, and I really like to thank putting that through. Well, you know, in addition to this, this issue with that of hemp edibles, is raising a lot of questions about what the consumer should know or needs to know. And I'm really happy to be working with Ms. Muse and her department on and creating educational documents and things like that for the consumer to be able to see. And so really thank you for your work on that. And I think it's really going to be a valuable thing for our industry to have for consumers to help educate themselves. That's basically it. We have work to do. We still have things to do. We have to fix banking. We have other things that are out there. But I just want to let the industry know that we're continuing to work really hard for them. We could use all the support we can get um and want to really thank staff, and for all the time and dedication put in.

James Thornton, licensee of Secret Garden Cannabis is present in person:

I'll make this brief. I just wanted to, first of all, on behalf of cultivators, thank you for removing the three day waiting period with waste. I was suddenly surprised to see that in my inbox the other day I looked very surprised, but that really presented a risk to every cultivator, for not only sanitation, but also safety of the staff also, you know, an additional cost. Involved with, you know, rotting. So that was excellent. Thank you very much. And then, really, I just wanted to make a comment about the hemp products that I've seen that Marijuana Control Board Meeting Agenda: September 21 - 22, 2022 Page 4 of 28

are in the form of gummy bears. They look like gummy bears, you know. Through the process that's been a prohibited item for us in the recreational market, and I understand why. And I understand it's a federal law, and that you may not have necessarily to jurisdiction there. But I think that it might. It's time for the State to step up, and at least brick a bit items that present a risk to us. Say, children, I feel like our industry is going to be the one. That's what's burning of this. Because we are, you know, we are the regulated the psychoactive substance, the regulated industry, whereas in the past hemp is non-psychoactive, and I understand the legalities, but you know it's kind of a stab not only are like everything Ryan said. You know, just doesn't feel right. So, if we can at least prohibit the items that you know could be potentially dangerous to children and for safety. Not just the help of our industry, you know. I'm sure a kid the cbd products, I'm sure they do, because they know that you know parents eat them, and they don't have an effect, a psychoactive effect. Well, these you know large containers of gummy bears. I know several people that have. You know that it could just try to eat a bunch of you know we're talking about days out here, really not feeling well, you know it doesn't cause any serious health issues other than being very uncomfortable. And as we've talked about the past, you know, that can lead to admitted, because of feeling very uncomfortable. So I'm just excited about moving forward also. I'm going to just leave that there. But education is a really important thing in our industry. I'm really excited to see the program new a also excited about um getting some handouts as well for the edibles. That item is moving again, and I hope we can start to see some documents to be able to hand out to consumers, so they'll understand limits, especially as it pertains to the larger, the larger the larger limits, as in some of the smaller products that we've discussed in the past. I think that's really important. If we're not going to have medical program that we do allow people to get the ah, the dosages that they need safely. But you know I need to have something to hand out to consumers, to be able to safely supply those products. So that's all I had today. I want to say thank you to everyone. It's really exciting to see everyone working together and look forward to furthering programs in the industry over the State

Jana Weltzin, with JDW Law, is present in person and brought examples Delta 9 unlicensed, unregulated products: I want to thank the staff that the review queue is going to be much faster, and things are going to address much faster. So I really really think things are kind of in the right direction I did want to talk about, and I also want to point out that I don't think it's a federal issue that we're getting these products with mass amounts of thc Delta nine outside of the regulated industry. There's a rule directly on point a federal rule eighty-five federal regulation at fifty, one, six, four, one that says, in order to meet the definition of hemp, and that's all. By, from the assumption of schedule, one and one drug. The derivative must not exceed zero point. Three percent dealt in nine thc: Our Department of Ag is not looking at it like this. They're taking the gummy and weighing the gum in the sugar and the gelatin, and if the milligrams are less than zero point, three percent of the total weight of the gummy they are classifying it as a hemp product, provided that it has less than five milligrams per a serving. So that is the issue. They're looking at the end product. It has to be that the parent product, the derivative is less than zero point three percent, thc: two thousand and nine. That's the federal standard. That's what we're missing from state level.

I was speaking to some California lawyers last week about this issue, and I explained them. He's crazy Delta nine like gummies that are totally undercutting our market. Have you guys seen this? And they said, Oh, yeah, do they try that argument about the gelatin? And then oh, we have that issue, too, and we fix it. Our regulators how to see past that. Yeah, we have to see past that. So we're having issues, and it's not just gummies. So I brought some examples today. So this product I brought copies of the front and the back. In fact, it's a cartridge that's being sold in an unlicensed, unregulated establishment, who's not necessarily checking ids. They're not required to check ids. You don't have to be twenty-one to get in and it's Delta nine, Delta ten, some word the personal educational part for me to pronounce, and it's fifty bucks. Can't compete with that because they're not paying taxes. They're not being that that product is not endorsed by the permanent. That okay? But it's coming in under the guise of the if you're going to create a program you have to create a regulation system and an enforcement system to control it. You can't just keep the farm Marijuana Control Board Meeting Agenda: September 21 - 22, 2022 Page 5 of 28

doors open and then say, Oh, we're just wanting an office of two, an office of three. We can't regulate it. Well, then, don't create it in the regulator. I've got some more. (Various products are passes around to the board members and staff.) Other states have addressed this, other states have controlled this, and we can, too. We just need to start doing it. These products have no business outside of the regulating system. Period. Kids can buy these. They don't check ids, they're not required to, because that's what's being put on these labels, and there's no enforcement otherwise. And to ask our Enforcement guys to do the alcohol industry and the marijuana industry, and then do the hemp industry for free is crazy. If we are going to use our Enforcement guys to regulate this, which I think is probably the only reasonable option, our industry needs to not have to pay for it, and need to get funded properly because we didn't crack the store open. We didn't create a system that was just going to open the floodgates with zero enforcement and zero regulations, zero enforcement right? Because all of these were purchased from, except with the exemption of Releaf. All of these were registered and retailers. These are licensed retailers selling products over the fifty milligram limit in the hemp regulations, and they're not even endorsed. So if you're going to open the door, you need to do it smartly, like we did - go cautiously. Go slowly. Great regulations create enforcement. We can't have these products getting it in the hands of kids, and that a pen can be bought by anyone and kids under twenty-five people there's science out there that I'm going to age to twenty-five.

This really materially impacts your brain development. So I would disagree that there is no health consequence from that. This is a huge help risk for our kids in this community and in the communities that have the high risk of alcohol dependence and addiction. This industry has been very responsible. They don't have the excise tax. We wonder why cultivators can't pay their excise taxes. They're getting undercut it. This Delta nine is coming in and concentrated, even though the two thousand and twenty-two have industries against the Drug Enforcement Agency District Circuit Court of Opinion specifically says, Listen, it's a derivative of hemp. It needs to be under zero point three percent thc: not the end product. We need to do something. That's my, it's pretty fired up about it because it's really undercutting my clients, and we're seeing a lot of marijuana on the market, because we don't know it's scientifically exactly the same. So whether or not somebody's taking Delta nine and putting it in their big ends and selling it at the license product and underpinning the market and creating an unfair advantage. That's the business side of it, Right? So there's the business aspect. We don't know that they're doing that because scientifically you can't tell the difference. You can't. And so we need to have a serious, quick enforcement action, because the longer this goes open the gates flood the harder it is going to put the force back any more. It's a problem.

Brandon Emmett, licensee of Good Titrations is present in person: So I want to follow up on the hemp the discussion a bit, and my angle I'm coming at it from is economic incentive. So I'm a registered marijuana manufacturer. What incentive do I have to participate in the highly regulated, highly taxed thc gummy bear manufacturer system on the AMCO side, when, as a hemp manufacturer outside of the METRC system completely within my legal right I can manufacture raw hemp to distill it, and make these products and sell it at Releaf, or the gas stations, clothing stores, or whatever, or I can buy multiple Kgs of, you know cbd but that also has, you know, zero point, two percent thc in it. And by way, or even more, you know, close to point two, nine, or some kind of stuff out there. They've got it pretty close, and I can bring that in. I can make it into gummies. And so long as every step of the process, I make sure that I'm doing it as Good Titrations, the hemp manufacturer, and not Good Titrations, the regulated marijuana business, I can produce these things, and I could put them out there, and I could do it affordably without any consequence. And so why, if I could just do this, why would I do thc? Let me say I want to do a thc and cbd gummy, why go through all the crap to have it be in the METRC system, and pay the higher prices in the tax. Blah! Blah blah when I can. I can just do it this way. And so I'm not saying that I want to do that. I'm playing devil's advocate here, you know I participated in this group for seven years now, and I think it's sad that a business person like myself or others, maybe here in the room, would be having to have that conversation with stuff like we do. We just forego all the work that we've done and do this because my business needs to survive, because I have shareholders that I have to keep happy. And so I think it's imperative that this board Marijuana Control Board Meeting Agenda: September 21 - 22, 2022 Page 6 of 28

puts some pressure on the Department of Ag to stop this. We either need to say that this is not legit we need to get these retailers to stop selling this stuff, or we need to have a you know a pretty big conversation? That industry is going to look like here in Alaska, because it's not going to be controlled by the AMCO-regulated manufacturers anymore. It's going to be just handed to the hemp manufacturers, and our, you know hands will be tied when it comes to making sure that these Delta nine products are not going into the hands of children, and that, you know tax is being collected for the state. Thank you.

Barrett Goodall, licensee is present in person: So I wasn't mentioning I'm giving you through a public comment. And you people before me did a good job of laying out the exact problem - points are completely valid. We're interpreting the regulation of and definition of that. That's a huge problem. I wasn't going to give public comment, even though this was an issue, because I didn't know what to ask the board to do. What responsibility, what authority do you have? How do we tackle this? And the thing sitting here is that in the hemp regulations they do have a plan in there for this occurring. And so over one percent they are supposed to contact AMCO and let them know that there is these products out there, and that's where it's left. So the Department of Ag didn't contact AMCO to let them know about all of these products. But AMCO has now been made aware. So whether we wanted it to happen this way or not. The hemp regs were written so that it is AMCO's responsibility. So I encourage this board to do whatever they can to first all make immediate action to encourage some sort of limit of these products. Getting to kids first off. That's the most important part. But secondly, it's AMCO's jurisdiction. So we need to find out why, like again, I suggested to fund that. But unfortunately, that's the only enforcement we have, and that's the way that breaks were written was that it's a quote responsibility to take care of these hot hemp products. So I just wanted to point that portion of the regs out. Thanks.

Jason Brandies, counsel for numerous cannabis licensees, is present in person: I represent a number of cannabis businesses in Alaska. Similarly, I was not planning to give public testimony this morning because I didn't have a solution to present. But hearing the presentations that have previously made, I thought it would be helpful to just offer a couple of theoretical suggestions. One is, I think, to keep in mind historical context. We see repeatedly with controlled substances there are lots of creative people out there. So if there is a way to play with chemistry and science and create something that changes your consciousness, people will do it. And in this industry in particular, we're sort of at length hackable over the last ten plus years, with things like pice or synthetic marijuana, and we haven't heard about that in quite a while, because we've sort of moved on, and people are now making other things to create these effects. Six months ago Delta eight thc was the hot topic, and the big thing that we were we were addressing and concerned about. And now we're worried about hemp derived delta nine, and I think this is a real big problem and a really big concern. Everyone that is in the regulated marijuana industry in Alaska made a commitment to play by the rest of the followers, and that's why people came out of the Black Market into the regulator, and there's a corresponding commitment, that the regulators better. It is AMCO, the State at large law Enforcement Department of Agriculture to support the and make sure that the commitment that people in the industry made to play by the rules is backed up by enforcement. I don't often like to go back to the marijuana legalization campaign about measure two, because, as we all know about it, it's really a lot of halt and a lot of statements and catchy things that are said, but the tagline for that campaign was to regulate it like alcohol. Now they're not the same substance, and the regulatory schemes that have been in place are very different, but I think it's helpful to think about a situation where, as Jana pointed out, a clothing store that was selling little bottles of alcohol when people went into my clothes. I don't think law enforcement, and I don't think the alcohol control board would stand for that, right? Similarly, if there were some type of, since I went to law school because I was told there was not going to be any chemistry or any math, and so I defer to people like Mr. Emmett on those topics. But if there was a way to take rain and do some sort of synthetic process to create alcohol, but it's not really alcohol. It has it from a different source. And then you can sell that legally as and alcohol product. Similarly, I think that the regulatory agencies would be concerned about that. So I think it's helpful sometimes to think about analogies to other substances, and how we would respond. I don't have a clear, direct solution to offer other than that. This is Marijuana Control Board Meeting Agenda: September 21 - 22, 2022 Page 7 of 28

a problem, and it really does undermine all different aspects of the industry that undermines the public health and safety. It's the tax base, and it undermines the main incentive to come into this. So I would encourage you all just to keep that in mind, and to look at some of the things that other states are doing to combat this. And I'm sure that whatever solution we come up with six months or a year we might be back here looking at another, another substance or another topic that is tangential to this, and we have to deal with that when that next. Thank you.

Tasha Grossl, licensee for Lady Grey's Medibles is present on Zoom: I just wanted to say that I appreciate what Jana and Brandon and Jason have all said and brought to the attention as a mother of teenagers. This is a big concern. I just wanted to offer my support on that end. I wasn't planning on making public comment. Obviously. But that is, that is very important to the industry. I wasn't sure what was going to be addressed about that today, and I was just really grateful to hear the different sides that they brought up because it is a complex issue, and I would just really like to see some headway made. Thank you very much.

Johnny Furlong, consumer is present on Zoom: As a business person, citizen, and a consumer, I just kind of want to be the other voice at the table. I'm not disagreeing necessarily with everything that's been said. Ah, just some food for thought. You know, seven, eight years ago, when we all dove into this industry, you know one of the challenges was, How do we be able to integrate this into community? How do we integrate in a business? And then also with government? We know the wrestling and the situations and the frustrations we've all had while we've tried to work all of this out. And so now we have this this new product that's out on the market. And while I'm not opposed to maybe a certain age limits, et cetera. There's just a few thoughts that came to my mind that I like for you to consider as we look forward into this, because we want the market to be more fair, but sometimes adding more government makes it less fair. Um, maybe rather than saying, Hey, let's grow the government, let's grow regulation and go after this. Maybe we should look at well, what can we do with the cannabis industry within the state laws that maybe can help alleviate the unfairness. Maybe like reducing taxes or making more reasonable regulations. The challenge I'm having is into my research. I haven't not seen any kind of social or excuse me, Public emergency numbers go up. We've not seen a massive increase in children in the hospitals from this, so it's kind of going back to what we had to discuss eight years ago. It's okay. Here's the new product. What is it really doing to the community? What is it really doing for business? And just because it's not regulated it doesn't make it black market, just because it's not regulated it doesn't make it wrong, nor does it necessarily make it a product that we can't intertwine into our industry and add to our business collaborate. So I quess my view is if we were to approach it from okay, what can we do to? Maybe not have the government just come in and do everything for us. But maybe we, as a community and as an industry, can look at some common-sense application with a mistake, some age, restrictions, maybe things like that. But to want to go after and try to hyper-regulate or try to get it completely out. I feel It's kind of doing the exact thing that was trying to be done to us seven or eight years ago. So just some food for thought. I certainly do appreciate everyone's time and love the industry. Thank you.

Bruce S.: I don't actually have a question for Mr. Furlong. He actually gave voice to something I've been thinking, but brought this conversation. I agree with everything that was all the concerns that were raised. At the same time, I agree with Mr. Furlong's observation, that perhaps providing our regulation or government oversight, is not the answer. I don't have the answer, but I appreciate it bringing that up. This challenge. I don't have to be a solution for it right now.

Nick M.: I think I have a question, or maybe a comment. You talked about and I don't know if you're involved in the industry and just have been industry at all. But you're talking about, branded in and intertwining it with. I guess the regulated, I mean, based on your comments, would you support bringing those type of products and have products under the existing tax structure? I heard you talk about reducing taxes on one of us, but you know, do you think you are in the business? You would support bringing that product in under the tax structure?

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Johnny: So to clarify when I mean intertwined, I mean as businesses, we are always, you want to try to diversify your product, to reduce and to diversify your risk. So I, when I say intertwine, I don't mean with with government, I mean as a business owner. Find the distributors find the good deals. Make a space in your in your stores. If you're a cultivator, work with retailers to work on, you know ways to cross merchandise and others. There's a lot of great capitalistic business minded. There's a lot of you know ways we can try to approach it. I just want us to be careful. I'm not even opposing what you guys are saying. I'm just saying that let's just be careful, because when we run to the board and we run to AMCO, because we think something may not be fair or balanced, we may end up finding it gets worse because those of us who have. Yes, I am in the industry both. That put our heart life soul into this. We we're going to have the best solutions for it. And so what I mean is partnership with it, find ways intertwined with it. Not force it under the same type of regulation, or in government context.

Nick M.: And I don't disagree with you, and I'm speaking personally here as a industry member, I do think maybe there is some way that the two industries can work together, but we also have to make it equitable. And we have to put the regulations in place for the age, restrictions, packaging, and things like that as well. So I don't disagree with you. But you know there has to be some equitable solution here. After those, I think the most important thing at this point are the age, restrictions, and packaging. So that's just my two cents as an industry member.

Lief Abel, licensee for Greatland Ganja is present on Zoom: I'd like to thank the board and the director and the staff for all their hard work and for continuing to try to improve the industry that we all work in, you know. Ah, my main statement would be I would like to see enforcement the taxation, and by that I mean, if companies don't start paying taxes, they should not have their licenses renewed. I think it's pretty straightforward, companies that are paying the excise tax. We'll get the business, and the state will be able to collect money. We're about three million in the arrears, or somewhere between tuning two and three million in the arrears, the state from the state perspective. For folks that aren't paying taxes, and I see that a lot of them continuing to be renewed. I don't know all the individual stories. It's an outs, but it's pretty straightforward for my end. My employees certainly have questions about it because they want to be able to maintain their jobs, and they know that our company pays our taxes every month long time. Every time. I expect that should be the rule for all the other companies. That's pretty much all I have. Thank you.

John Smith, is present on Zoom: on behalf of the regulation. You know, I think, that the overwhelming problem is the marijuana industry in Alaska is that it's overly regulated, overly taxed. Most of the regulations are redundant with poor auditing, and the problem is that in this marijuana industry is not competitive with the black market. Overwhelmingly, everybody who goes out of business in the marijuana industry moves over to the black market, and now in the black market you can get your stuff tested. Your clients can get print out, but no mold or thc content. They have it's a better product. It's cheaper, and all I hear all over the place. If the stores are too expensive, and they buy from their body a pound at a time. Everywhere I go. The state was nowhere near with the black market which they had to do to crush the black market to set up the legal industry. They left that part out, but absolutely did not leave out the overwhelming taxation which has not been able to keep up with the destruction of the industry due to the black market. The people that go to these stores are getting fewer and fewer all the time, because no one wants to pay the high price when they can go to their buddy down the road who can grow, perhaps the cost of no overhead taxational regulation. I find it, a good example that is, METRC. METRC is overly redundant, with no auditing system. The so people can cheat even in the even in the legal market, like flood bad product in no way to audit it that destroys the market. You can't have the a very low demand and a lot of product on the market, and that's what we're suffering from now in this industry, and I would think that for the amount of money that the people pay in this legal industry I myself included that one of the things we'd be doing is paying to protect the industry. That's part of what regulations are supposed to do. But we see overwhelminaly that the tax has not decreased the cost of the product, and if the tax had to decrease Marijuana Control Board Meeting Agenda: September 21 - 22, 2022 Page 9 of 28

with the cost of the product or space steam with the product, the state would have an incentive to keep the products valuable so that they got their money, too. It's not a symbiotic relationship. It's a unilateral. That's a real bummer. Because this relationship with people in business with the state should be bilateral. I don't agree that government or regulation is the answer. Less government, less regulation, is the answer when it comes to an industry that when the government's not willing to protect its own growers and sellers, it's the government that set this regulation up that should be protecting the grows and sell it for the money that we're giving. And in my opinion, this is going to completely wipe out the industry and all we're going to see is heavy consolidation. In ten years there'll be five growers, and they'll have ten million plants, and all the little guys will go out of it all the people that strive and pay their taxes on time, and do all that stuff, those people to start a business because the regulation as of today is not designed to protect those people we're paying into it. That's my opinion.

Bruce S.: I get what he's saying. It's a continual point of frustration for me that we have majority of regulations. We have none of our taxes, said it before I'll say again, I really hope our Legislature can be persuaded to revisit the tax structure. The maybe next legislative session. And you know, to folks listening in and participating in this conversation I would urge you, yeah, maybe after November, when you know who your legislator is going to be in January. Talk to them. Let them know that is your position, and ask them to work with the industry, with the board to come up with a better tax structure. That does make sense. But I agree. I do think that that structure is an impediment, but it's far. We out of our hand, except, you know, from an advisory capacity.

Kerby Coman, licensee is present on Zoom: Good morning to the board. And yeah, I just wanted to think about an idea. I'm sure. Maybe you guys have thought about it. Maybe the discussion has been done before concerning the hemp program and all the products for the Delta nine and everything. Have you guys considered sitting down with the Department of Agriculture with Enforcement, and maybe having a discussion of if they don't have any kind of enforcement, maybe just like, hey, we're swinging all the enforcement over to you to AMCO's enforcement as far as ensuring that these places that are not that are not registered with the program are not selling hemp derived products as well as anyone that is endorsed or not selling products that are not allowed within the program, because that's kind of like, if they don't have any enforcement, maybe still some of their budget, I mean, I don't know how that you know all works, but I think It' be a good conversation to have with the Department of Agriculture, as far as hey, you know, let's help them enforce it. So that's all I had. I'm not sure if that discussion has taken place or thought about.

Nick M.: I know there have been several discussions with Department of Agriculture concerning the issue that we've been talking about. I don't know specifically about the, but maybe we'll get a update here shortly on that.

9:59 am: Public Testimony is closed.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Wilson provides a summary of her report and invites Jane Sawyer to summarize her report regarding the licensing queue section of the report. Greg Smith, licensee, was at a Colorado conference and learned that the feds are partnering with enforcement in Colorado to go investigate and prosecute the black market.

10:42 am: Break 11:01 am: Reconvened

Director Wilson concludes her report. Bruce S. has comments. Nick M. says he believed if it's not specifically Marijuana Control Board Meeting Agenda: September 21 - 22, 2022 Page 10 of 28

<u>TAB 4</u>

in the regulations the industry is not allowed to do it. Should the board change that interpretation? Kevin Higgins comments regarding interpretation.

Jane Sawyer concludes her report, discussing delegation of authority to the director. The board will continue to discuss either later this afternoon or tomorrow.

ENFORCEMENT SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

PROGRAM COORDINATOR'S REPORT

Chief Hoelscher is present on Zoom and summarizes his report.

A. Notices of Violation Issued and Licensee Responses

Bruce S. mentions there are interesting points made in the licensee's response regarding the odor notice of violation for Greatland Ganja. Leif Abel, licensee, is on Zoom to discuss his response. The odor was likely not coming from his establishment as there are other cultivation facilities nearby his business.

B. Notices of Violation for June and August Unpaid Taxes

Bruce S. comments that staff shouldn't review a renewal if there are taxes owed.

11:58 am: Lunch1:10 pm: Reconvened, all board members present.

LICENSING REPORT

Carrie Craig provides a summary of her report.

BUDGET REPORT

Maya Ali summarizes her report. There will be a follow-up meeting between both board chairs, Director Wilson and Ms. Ali.

OAH Case No. 21-0022-MCB/AM20-1062- starting at 1:30 pm to approximately 3:00 pm. Mediation Presentation ITMO: Great Northern Cannabis Settlement Presentation ITMO: Stephen Brashear

Bruce S. motions to go into Executive Session. Christopher J. seconds. None opposed, motion passes.

1:49 pm: Christopher J. stepped away.
 1:59 pm: The board is in Executive Session.
 2:00 pm: Christopher J. has returned.
 3:15 pm: The board is now in Deliberative Session.
 3:35 pm: Out of Deliberative Session and break.
 3:55 pm: Reconvened

Bruce S. motions to accept the stipulated agreement. Christopher J. seconds. None opposed, motion passes. Bruce S. motions to accept the three-year suspension with a \$5,000 fine for Mr. Brashear. Christopher J. seconds. None opposed, motion passes.

• TABLED FROM PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

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Α.	License #20827:	Good Titrations	<u>TAB 11</u>
	Licensee:	FSE, LLC	
	License Type:	Retail Marijuana Store	
	Premise Address:	506 Merhar Ave	
		Fairbanks, AK 99701	
	Local Government:	City of Fairbanks, Fairbanks North Star Borough	
	For Consideration:	At the June 29 – 30, 2022 meeting, the board app	roved this licensee's
		MJ – 14, however they voted to table the conside	eration of the MJ –
		15: Operating Plan Change to this meeting. There	is nothing new to
		report at this time.	

Jana Weltzin, counsel for the licensee, Brandon Emmett are present in person. Ms. Weltzin summarizes the background of the MJ-15. They request 120 days to transition the management of the restaurant to Good Titrations. Bruce S. motions to approve the MJ-15 with delegation. Delegation being they provide documentation to the Director within 125 days. Eliza M. seconds. None opposed, motion passes.

B. License #29087:	Alice's	<u>TAB 12</u>
Licensee:	CDLW, Inc.	
License Type:	Retail Marijuana Store	
Premises Address:	12111 Horseshoe Drive, Suite 1	
	Eagle River, AK 99577	
Local Government:	Municipality of Anchorage	
For Consideration:	At the April 13 – 14, 2022 the board tabled the cons Municipality of Anchorage's protest and objections	from Community
	Councils as well as other objections and comments	from the public.

Jana W. mentions she had thought she requested it be tabled to the December meeting at the previous meeting in Nome and she would now like to request to table to March 2023. **Bruce S. motions to table consideration of this application to the March meeting in 2023. Eliza M. seconds. None opposed, motion passes.**

• NEW MARIJUANA HANDLER PERMIT EDUCATION COURSE

A. MHCP 036:	Fast – Track Certification Course AK formally called: TAB 13 Optimized – Online Handler Course
Applicant:	Mae L Good
For Consideration:	This new Marijuana Handler Permit Education Course was tabled at the June 29 – 30, 2022 meeting.
Contact Person:	Mae L Good

Mae Good is present on Zoom and presents a brief description of the course. Bruce S. motions to approve course MHCP 036. Eliza M. seconds. None opposed, motion passes.

В. МНСР 037:	Alaska Marijuana Handler Permit Training	<u>TAB 14</u>
Applicant:	360training.com, Inc.	
Contact Person:	Samantha Montalbano or Muhammad Zulnoorain Arfee	n

Muhammad Zulnoorain Arfeen is present on Zoom and presents a brief description of the course. Bruce S. does not want them to use the language "accredited by the AMCO office" on their website. Accredited has a different meaning than approved. Some of the answers in the Exam Bank are incorrect. Nick M. states he cannot support the approval of this course. It is heavily weighted toward medical marijuana and that is not Marijuana Control Board Meeting Agenda: September 21 - 22, 2022 Page 12 of 28 pertinent. Bruce S. motions approve course MHCP 037. Eliza M. seconds. Christopher J., Eli C. and Nick M. are opposed. Motion fails.

• THREE YEAR REVIEW MARIJUANA HANDLER PERMIT EDUCATION COURSE

Α.	MCHP	017:	
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Applicant: Contact Person: Initial Board Approval: Alaska Marijuana Institute Good Enterprises AK Judith Miller September 7, 2016 TAB 15

Judy Miller is present on Zoom. The course was originally written by Mae Good who sold it to Ms. Miller. Ely C. says he would like to see the exam contain more than true or false questons. Chris states that at the next renewal, there should be less true or false questions. **Bruce motions to approve MCHP 017. Eliza seconds. None opposed, motion passes.**

B. MCHP 028:	Alaska Marijuana Handler Certification	<u>TAB 16</u>
Applicant:	Green CulturED	
Contact Person:	Evan Erickson	
Initial Board Approval:	August 15, 2018	

Carrie Craig informs the board that this course was added to the agenda in error – they had previously approved the course renewal at the January meeting in Juneau. No action is needed by the board.

Director Wilson asks the board to schedule the review of the handler permit matter at 9 am the next day. Nick *M.* states that 1:00 pm would be a better time to take it up. **Bruce S. motions to approve the review of the matter at 1 pm the next day. Christopher J. seconds. None opposed, motion passes.**

9/21/2022 5:01 pm: Recessed 9/22/2022 9:03 am: Reconvened

Roll Call: Nick Miller, present in person Bruce Schulte, present on Zoom Christopher Jaime, present in person Eliza Muse, present in person Ely Cyrus, present on Zoom

• NEW LIMITED MARIJUANA CULTIVATION FACILITY APPLICATIONS

Tabs in this section may be approved as a block or may pull any specific application for separate discussion/consideration at the board's discretion.

Bruce S. motions to approve Tabs 17 – 19 with delegation. Ely C. seconds. None opposed, motion passes.

A. License #31324:	High Hat	<u>TAB 17</u>
Licensee:	High Hat, LLC	
Premises Address:	18956 W Verns Way	
	Wasilla, AK 99623	
Local Government:	Matanuska-Susitna Borough	

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Licensee: Premises Address:	The Culture Cannabis Co., LLC 2301 South Knik – Goose Bay Road, #1B Wasilla, AK 99654	
Local Government:	Matanuska-Susitna Borough Applicant also has a retail marijuana store application on agenda license 33609	
C. License #31690:	North Coast Cultivation	<u>TAB 19</u>
Licensee:	North Coast Cultivation, LLC	
Premises Address:	5846 N Solitude Street	
	Wasilla, AK 99623	
Local Government:	Matanuska-Susitna Borough	

• NEW STANDARD MARIJUANA CULTIVATION FACILITY APPLICATIONS

Tabs in this section may be approved as a block or may pull any specific application for separate discussion/consideration at the board's discretion.

Bruce S. motions to approve Tabs 20 – 22 with delegation. Ely C. seconds. None opposed, motion passes.

Α.	License #31437: Licensee: Premises Address: Local Government:	Sunshine Valley Sunshine Valley LLC 1250 S Pioneer Dr Palmer , AK 99645 Matanuska-Susitna Borough	<u>TAB 20</u>
В.	License #32367:	AK Legend Gardens	<u>TAB 21</u>
	Licensee:	AK Legend LLC	
	Premises Address:	7750 King Street Anchorage, AK 99518	
	Local Government:	Municipality of Anchorage	
	Comments:	Applicant also has a retail marijuana store application on agenda license 32368	
C.	License #32405: Licensee:	Green Go, LLC Green Go, LLC	<u>TAB 22</u>
	Premises Address:	2323 E. Palmer Wasilla Hwy Wasilla, AK 99654	
	Local Government:	Matanuska-Susitna Borough	

• NEW RETAIL MARIJUANA STORE APPLICATIONS

<u>Tabs in this section may be approved as a block or may pull any specific application for separate</u> <u>discussion/consideration at the board's discretion.</u>

Bruce S. motions to approve Tabs 23 and 26 with delegation. Ely C. seconds. None opposed, motion passes.

#30822: Bruce S. motions to approve with delegation. Ely C. seconds. Jana Weltzin, counsel for the applicant, is in person. Jennifer Rosenbaum, the applicant, is on Zoom. Both provide some background. Bruce S. asks if the applicant has worked with the community. She answers yes and there is a small sector of the community that is strongly opposed. She had many difficult conversations. Christopher J. is opposed, motion passes 4 – 1.

#32368: Bruce S. motions to approve with delegation. Ely C. seconds. Jarod Buss, co-owner is present on Zoom. **None opposed, motion passes.**

#30593: Bruce S. motions to go into Executive Session for privacy and reputation concerns to the applicant. Ely C. seconds. None opposed, motion passes. 9:56 am: Out of executive session. Bruce S. motions to approve with delegation and based on "accept the proof of residency" 306.015(e)(2) at the time of application, she was a resident. Ely seconds. None opposed, motion passes.

A. License #30156: Licensee: Premises Address: Local Governments:	Uncle Herb's Eden Management Group, LLC 44728 Sterling Highway Soldotna, AK 99669 City of Soldotna; Kenai Peninsula Borough	<u>TAB 23</u>
B. License #30593: Licensee: Premises Address: Local Government: Consideration:	Pipe and Leaf: Premium Alaskan Cannabis Pipe and Leaf, LLC 899 Old Steese Highway Fairbanks, AK 99709 Fairbanks North Star Borough Applicant and attorney request executive session	<u>TAB 24</u>
C. License #30822: Licensee: Premises Address: Local Government: For Consideration:	Copper Nugget Copper Nugget, LLC Lot 3 Block 1, Laurence Barrett, Addition to Townsite of McCarthy McCarthy, AK 99588 No Local Government Objections and comments from the public	<u>TAB 25</u>

D. License #33609:	The Culture	<u>TAB 26</u>
Licensee:	The Culture Cannabis Co., LLC	
Premises Address:	2301 South Knik – Goose Bay Road, #1	
	Wasilla, AK 99654	
Local Government:	Matanuska-Susitna Borough	
Applicant also has a limit	ed cultivation marijuana facility application on ag	genda license 33610
E. License #32368:	AK Legend's The Dispensary	TAB 27

Licensee: Premises Address	AK Legend's The Dispensary AK Legend LLC : 7750 King Street Anchorage, AK 99518	<u>1AB 27</u>
Local Governmen Consideration:	t: Municipality of Anchorage see memo	

• NEW ONSITE CONSUMPTION ENDORSEMENT APPLICATIONS

Jana Weltzin and Cole Hollister, principal owner, are present in person. Jana W. summarizes the application. There is a discussion regarding getting approvals from both the city and the borough. **Bruce S. motions to approve the onsite consumption endorsement for license #10131 with delegation. Ely C. seconds. None opposed, motion passes.**

A. License #10131:	Pakalolo Supply Company, Inc.	<u>TAB 28</u>
Licensee:	Pakalolo Supply Company, Inc.	
Premises Address:	1851 Fox Avenue	
	Fairbanks, AK 99701-2725	
Local Government:	City of Fairbanks; Fairbanks North Star Borough	
Consideration:	See memo	

10:19 am: Break

10:40 am: Reconvened, all board members are present either in person or on Zoom.

LICENSE TRANSFER APPLICATIONS

Jana Weltzin represents all the transfer licenses in this section and states to her knowledge that none of these licensees have any tax liability. **Bruce S. motions to approve Tabs 29 - 33 with delegation. Ely C. seconds. None opposed, motion passes.**

Α.	License #13487: Current Licensee (from):	The Connoisseur The Connoisseur, LLC (Mathew Chambers 33.33%, Chad Aurentz 33.33%, and Chadford Roush 33.33%)	<u>TAB 29</u>
	New Licensee (to) :	The Connoisseur, LLC (Mathew Chambers 50%, Chad Aurentz 50%)	
	License Type:	Standard Marijuana Cultivation Facility	
	Premises Address:	3200 W. Top of the World Circle, Unit A Wasilla, AK 99654	
	Local Government:	Matanuska-Susitna Borough	
В.	License #14302:	Sherwood's Magical Forest	<u>TAB 30</u>

Current Licensee (from): Jesse Sherwood 100% Marijuana Control Board Meeting Agenda: September 21 - 22, 2022

	New Licensee (to) : License Type: Premises Address: Local Governments:	Sherwood's Magical Forest, LLC (Jesse Sherwood 100%) Limited Marijuana Cultivation Facility 60390 Bryant Court Homer, AK 99603 City of Kachemak; Kenai Peninsula Borough	
С.	License #20532:	Cultivated Confections	<u>TAB 31</u>
	Current Licensee (from):	CC Enterprises, Inc. (James Protzman 50% and Mason Spadafore 50%)	
	New Licensee (to) :	CC Enterprises, Inc. (James Protzman 100%)	
	License Type:	Marijuana Product Manufacturing Facility	
	Premises Address:	7731 Schoon Street, Unit A	
		Anchorage, AK 99518	
	Local Government:	Municipality of Anchorage	
D.	License #22713:	Mile High Alaska	<u>TAB 32</u>
	Current Licensee (from):	T&D Resources, LLC (Travis Owen 100%)	
	New Licensee (to) :	H-OP, LLC (Mark Oppegaard 100%)	
	License Type:	Retail Marijuana Store	
	Premises Address:	910 W. International Airport Road, Suite B Anchorage, AK 99518	
	Local Government:	Municipality of Anchorage	
Ε.	License #23813:	Buds Below Zero	<u>TAB 33</u>
	Current Licensee (from) :	Barrow's Retail, LLC (Robert Kaleak and Rural Retail Management, LLC)	
	New Licensee (to) :	Barrow's Retail, LLC (Rural Retail Management, LLC 100%)	
	License Type:	Retail Marijuana Store	
	Premises Address:	4326 Nathaniel Olemaun Jr. Blvd. Utqiagvik, AK 99723	
	Local Governments:	Utqiagvik; North Slope Borough	

• OPERATING PLAN CHANGES

<u>Tabs in this section may be approved as a block or may pull any specific application for separate</u> <u>discussion/consideration at the board's discretion.</u>

There is a discussion around the Director's request for additional information about the source of Delta 9. The board is satisfied with the Director's comments on the forms, but it requires further discussion. **Bruce S. motions to approve Tabs 34 – 51 with delegation. Christopher J. seconds. None opposed, motion passes.**

Α.	License #10165: Licensee: License Type: Premises Address: Local Government: Comments:	GOOD Cannabis Good, LLC Marijuana Product Manufacturing Facility 1949 Frank Avenue Fairbanks, AK 99701 Fairbanks North Star Borough Temporary approval granted	<u>TAB 34</u>
в.	License #10302:	The House of Green	<u>TAB 35</u>
	Licensee:	BAM Greeneries, Inc.	
	License Type:	Retail Marijuana Store	
	Premises Address:	3105 Minnesota Drive Upper Level	
		Anchorage, AK	
	Local Government:	Municipality of Anchorage	
	Comments:	Temporary approval granted	
с.	License #10886:	Good Titrations	<u>TAB 36</u>
	Licensee:	FSE, Inc.	
	License Type:	Marijuana Product Manufacturing Facility	
	Premises Address:	1770 Donald Avenue, Suite B	
		Fairbanks, AK	
	Local Government:	Fairbanks North Star Borough	
	Comments:	Temporary approval granted	
D.	License #11304:	Higher Altitude Manufacturing	<u>TAB 37</u>
	Licensee:	YNY Investment, LLC	
	License Type:	Marijuana Product Manufacturing Facility	
	Premises Address:	2429 East 88 th Avenue	
		Anchorage, AK	
	Local Government:	Municipality of Anchorage	
	Comments:	Temporary approval granted	
E.	License #12253:	AKO Farms, LLC	<u>TAB 38</u>
	Licensee:	AKO Farms, LLC	
	License Type:	Standard Marijuana Cultivation Facility	
	Premises Address:	1210 Beardslee Way	
		Sitka, AK	
	Local Government:	Sitka, City and Borough	
	Comments:	Temporary approval granted	

F.	License #12618: Licensee: License Type: Premises Address: Local Government: Comments:	Alaska Cannabis Company Hempco, LLC Standard Marijuana Cultivation Facility 43280 Kenai Spur Highway, Units ABCD Nikiski, AK Kenai Peninsula Borough Temporary approval granted. MJ-14 accompanying this MJ-15 is attached as reference it has already been approved by the director.	TAB 39
G.	License #12769: Licensee: License Type: Premises Address: Local Government: Comments:	Secret Garden Cannabis Axion Enterprises, LLC Marijuana Product Manufacturing Facility 726 East 15 th Avenue, Suite 2 Anchorage, AK Municipality of Anchorage Temporary approval granted.	<u>TAB 40</u>
н.	License #13479: Licensee: License Type: Premises Address: Local Government: Comments:	North Star Fire North Star Fire, LLC Marijuana Cultivation Facility 3780 Leasure Street, Suite 3 Fairbanks, AK 99701 City of Fairbanks; Fairbanks North Star Borough Temporary approval granted. MJ-14 accompanying this MJ-15 is attached as reference it has already been approved by the director.	TAB 41
I.	License #15245: Licensee: License Type: Premises Address: Local Government:	North Star Gardens North Star Gardens, Inc. Standard Marijuana Cultivation Facility 5310 Commercial Boulevard, 2A Juneau, AK Juneau, City and Borough	<u>TAB 42</u>
J.	License #15594: Licensee: License Type: Premises Address: Local Government: Comments:	Cold Creek Extracts Cold Creek Extracts, LLC Marijuana Product Manufacturing Facility 7801 Schoon Street, Units L&M Anchorage, AK 99518 Municipality of Anchorage Temporary approval granted.	<u>TAB 43</u>
К.	License #15790:	Scorpion Grass	<u>TAB 44</u>

	Licensee: License Type: Premises Address: Local Government: Comments:	L & J Ventures, Inc. Marijuana Product Manufacturing Facility 266 South McCallister Drive, Suite 3 Wasilla, AK Matanuska-Susitna Borough Temporary approval granted.	
L.	License #16738: Licensee: License Type: Premises Address: Local Government: Comments:	VanGreen's, LLC VanGreen's, LLC Standard Marijuana Cultivation Facility 224 Smith Street, Units BCDE Sitka, AK Sitka, City and Borough Temporary approval granted. MJ-14 accompanying this MJ-15 is attached as reference it has already been approved by the director.	TAB 45
М.	License #17389: Licensee: License Type: Premises Address: Local Government: Comments:	Kreative Konfections, LLC Kreative Konfections, LLC Marijuana Product Manufacturing Facility 2301 S. Knik-Goose Bay Road, #5 Wasilla, AK 99654-0492 Matanuska-Susitna Borough Temporary approval granted.	<u>TAB 46</u>
N.	License #17886: Licensee: License Type: Premises Address: Local Government: Comments:	BAM Alaska BAM Alaska, Inc. Standard Marijuana Cultivation Facility 2301 S. Knik-Goose Bay Road, #5 Wasilla, AK 99654-0492 Matanuska-Susitna Borough Temporary approval granted. MJ-14 accompanying this MJ-15 is attached as reference it has already been approved by the director.	TAB 47
Ο.	License #19279: Licensee: License Type: Premises Address: Local Government: Comments:	Arctic Hydroponics LLC Arctic Hydroponics, LLC Standard Marijuana Cultivation Facility 47256 South Brookestar's Circle, Suite A Willow, AK Matanuska-Susitna Borough Temporary approval granted. MJ-14 accompanying this MJ-15 is attached as reference it has already been approved by the director.	TAB 48
Ρ.	License #19372: Licensee: License Type: Premises Address:	Red Run Cannabis Cultivators, LLC Red Run Cannabis Cultivators, LLC Marijuana Product Manufacturing Facility 12516 Kenai Spur Highway, Ste. A Kenai, AK 99611	<u>TAB 49</u>

Local Government: Comments:	City of Kenai; Kenai Peninsula Borough Temporary approval granted.	
Q. License #23503:	Green Growcer	<u>TAB 50</u>
Licensee: License Type:	SHFT, LLC	
Premises Address:	Marijuana Product Manufacturing Facility 301	
	East Dimond Boulevard, Suite B Anchorage, AK	
Local Government:	Municipality of Anchorage	
Comments:	Temporary approval granted.	
R. License #26162: Licensee: License Type: Premises Address: Local Government: Comments:	AKO 2 AKO Farms, LLC Standard Marijuana Cultivation Facility 213 Price Street Sitka, AK Sitka, City and Borough Temporary approval granted.	<u>TAB 51</u>

• NEW PRODUCTS

Bruce S. motions to approve all products in Tabs 52 – 58. Ely C. seconds. None opposed, motion passes.

Tab 59: Purgatory Cannabis, Holy Anointing Oil. Jana Weltzin, counsel for the licensee, is present in person. She states that she will update the packaging. Director Wilson has concerns regarding the name of the product. **Bruce S. motions to approve all other products with delegation. Ely C. seconds. None opposed, motion passes. Bruce S. motions to approve the Holy Anointing Oil with delegation being the licensee should consider the implications of the name and a possible name change.** The words "holy anointing" alludes to claims of therapeutic healing, there are no first amendment issues. **Ely C. seconds. None opposed, motion passes.**

Α.	License #12254: Licensee: License Type: Premises Address:	Lady Gray Gourmet Medibles Lady Gray, LLC Marijuana Product Manufacturing Facility 36322 Pine Street, Suite 1	<u>TAB 52</u>
	Local Governments:	Soldotna, AK Kenai Peninsula Borough	
в.	License #13175: Licensee:	Fire Eater	<u>TAB 53</u>
В.	License #13175: Licensee: License Type:	Fire Eater Side Show Food LLC	<u>TAB 53</u>
В.			<u>TAB 53</u>

C.	License #15594: Licensee: License Type: Premises Address:	Cold Creek Extracts Cold Creek Extracts Marijuana Product Manufacturing Facility 7801 Schoon Street, Units L & M	<u>TAB 54</u>
	Local Governments:	Anchorage, AK 99518 Municipality of Anchorage	
D.	License #15790: Licensee:	Scorpion Grass	<u>TAB 55</u>
	License Type:	L&J Enterprises, Inc.	
	Premises Address:	Marijuana Product Manufacturing Facility	
		266 South McCallister Drive, Suite 3	
	Local Governments:	Wasilla, AK	
		Matanuska – Susitna Borough	
Ε.	License #21552:	Enlighten Extracts	<u>TAB 56</u>
	Licensee:	Enlighten Extractractions, LLC	
	License Type:	Marijuana Product Manufacturing Facility	
	Premises Address:	524 East 48 th Avenue, 1A	
		Anchorage, AK	
	Local Governments:	Municipality of Anchorage	
F.	License #23146:	Dosed Edibles Alaska	<u>TAB 57</u>
	Licensee:	Chubby Girl Confections, Inc.	
	License Type:	Marijuana Product Manufacturing Facility	
	Premises Address:	3915 Peger Road	
		Fairbanks, AK	
	Local Governments:	Fairbanks North Star Borough	
G.	License #23503:	Green Growcer	<u>TAB 58</u>
	Licensee:	SHFT, LLC	
	License Type:	Marijuana Product Manufacturing Facility	
	Premises Address:	301 East Dimond Boulevard, Suite B	
		Anchorage, AK	
	Local Governments:	Municipality of Anchorage	
н.	License #27520:	Purgatory Cannabis	<u>TAB 59</u>
	Licensee:	Leaf & Larf, LLC	
	License Type:	Marijuana Concentrate Manufacturing Facility	
	Premises Address:	43280 Kenai Spur Highway, Unit F	
		Kenai, AK	
	Local Governments:	Kenai Peninsula Borough	

• LICENSE RENEWAL APPLICATIONS

A. 3 OR MORE NOTICES OF VIOLATIONS RECEIVED IN THE LAST 12 MONTHS

Jana Weltzin is present and calls the licensee on speaker phone. Nathan Hall makes a correction to his

memo, there are only two notices of violation, not four. Jana W. says the licensee had paid in full, but today there is a balance of \$500. Kelly Mazzai, with the Department of Revenue is present on Zoom and states his account is just shy of \$500. The licensee tried to pay today, in person at the Anchorage office, but there was massive line at the drop box for DOR which is located in the PFD office. **Bruce S. motions to approve** with delegation – provide documentation that taxes are satisfied. Ely C. seconds. Christopher J. is opposed, motion passes 4 – 1.

1. License #19466:	Green Acres 907, LLC	<u>TAB 60</u>
Licensee:	Green Acres 907, LLC	
License Type:	Limited Marijuana Cultivation Facility	
Premises Address:	Lot 1 Root Beer Lake	
	Big Lake, AK 99652	
Local Government:	Matanuska Susitna Borough	
For Consideration:	Four NOVs for tax delinquency	

11:36 am: Lunch 1:01 pm: Reconvened, Ely Cyrus is not present, Bruce S. is on Zoom, the rest of the board members are present in person.

• BOARD CONSIDERATION ON MARIJUANA HANDLER PERMIT NO. 16373

May need executive session

This item to be considered September 22, 2022 at 9:00 am (or right after resuming meeting)

Nick Callahan, permit holder, is present on Zoom. Director Wilson provides the board with their authority regarding suspending or revoking handler permits and summarizes her memo. There is a discussion of due process.

1:25 pm: In Deliberative Session 1:45 pm: Out of Deliberative Session

Bruce S. asks Mr. Callahan if he has any ownership interests in any other licenses. Mr. Callahan answers no. Bruce S. motions to revoke handler permit #16373 and it cannot be reinstated for three years due to various violations of the regulation, but not the one that occurred on April 24, 2019. Christopher J. seconds. None opposed, motion passes.

REGULATIONS

A. Regulations Tracking Sheet

Jane Sawyer summarizes the projects listed in this tab.

B. Opened Regulations Projects

1. Board Discussion

Exterior Window Pick-Up Status: initial draft for board discussion Potential Board Actions: TBD at meeting TAB 62

TAB 61

Director Wilson summarizes the regulation draft. Bruce S. motions to put the draft out for public comment for 60 days. There is no second, the motion dies. Bruce S. motions to direct staff to perform a cleanup of the draft and add "endorsement" rather than an operating plan change. There is a discussion if this should be an endorsement. Yes, it is the will of the board. Eliza M. seconds. None opposed, motion passes.

3:08 pm: Kevin Higgins states that a local governing body can pass an ordinance to prohibit. The concern was misplaced. He agrees with the Director and the changes would be technical and could be done after a public comment period. Director Wilson says it will not be treated as an endorsement and she will reach out to all local governments for comment. **Bruce S. motions to reconsider the first motion. Eliza M. seconds. None opposed, motion passes. Bruce S. motions to put the regulation project out for public comment for 45 days after the office makes the technical amendments to the regulation. Reiterates it would not include treating this as an endorsement. Christopher J. is opposed, motion passes, 4 – 1.**

2. Public Comment Period Closed. Public oral comments may not be received at this meeting for this section.

Dairy Butter, Oils, Fats – as stand-alone productTAB 63Status: public comment closed September 2, 2022. Three comments were received.Potential Board Actions: TBD at meeting

Jane Sawyer summarizes the status of the regulation draft. Board discusses draft and considers comments received. **Bruce S. motions to adopt the draft. Eliza M. seconds. None opposed, motion passes.**

 Public Notice of License Applications
 TAB 64

 Status: public comment closed September 2, 2022. Two comments were received.
 Potential Board Actions: TBD at meeting

Director Wilson summarizes the regulation project. Board discusses and considers written public comment received. Bruce S. motions to adopt the draft. Eliza M. seconds. None opposed, motion passes.

2:48 pm: Break

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3:07 pm: Reconvened

Renewal Application RequirementsTAB 65reducing the number of documents required during renewalTAB 65Status: public comment closed September 2, 2022. Three comments were received.Potential Board Actions: TBD at meeting

Jane Sawyer summarizes the regulation project. Board discusses and considers written comment received. Bruce S. motions to adopt the regulation. Eliza M. seconds. None opposed, motion passes.

Trade Shows – sample sizesTAB 66Status: public comment closed September 2, 2022. Three comments were received.Potential Board Actions: TBD at meeting

Jane Sawyer summarizes the regulation project. Board discusses and considers written comment received. Bruce S. motions to adopt the regulation as presented. Eliza M. seconds. Christopher J. is opposed, motion passes, 3 – 1.

Video Surveillance – power backupTAB 67Status: public comment closed September 2, 2022. One comment was received.Potential Board Actions: TBD at meeting

Jane Sawyer summarizes the regulation project. **Bruce S. motions to adopt the regulation as presented. Eliza M. seconds.** There is a discussion regarding the cost to licensees and if Enforcement is qualified to inspect. Investigator Johnson states Enforcement would accept the word of the licensee, they are not qualified to inspect backup power supplies, such as generators. Christopher J. states AMIA's recommendation makes more sense. Staff says this project was Enforcement's request due to an incident where they were not able to obtain the records for an investigation. Bruce S. withdraws the motion. Eliza M. agrees to withdraw her second. Bruce S. motions to table the discussion to the December 13 – 14, 2022 meeting. Eliza M. seconds. None opposed, motion passes.

C. Board Requests (if any)

Eliza M.: In regard to the handler permit course training, what is included? She would like to see best practices standards for online training (live instructor). Remove training on medical or not make that the focus of the training? Eliza would like an overall. Gear the training more toward the permit holder and consumer, not the licensee. Eliza m. motions to open a project for 3 AAC 306.701 to reflect the training on the permitee not the licensee and best practices standards for online training (live instructor). Christopher J. seconds. None opposed, motion passes.

Bruce S. motions to move the business signs working group to a regulations project. Eliza M. seconds. None opposed, motion passes.

ARTICLE 7 REVIEW/DISCUSSION

See Tab 4. Director Wilson begins the discussion regarding transportation. Bruce S. motions to amend 3 AAC 306.750(d) to reflect modern standards during transport. Christopher J. seconds. None opposed, Marijuana Control Board Meeting Agenda: September 21 - 22, 2022 Page 26 of 28

motion passes.

4:35 pm: Break 4:45 pm: Reconvened

Bruce S. motions to delegate authority to Director Wilson to approve, permanently, operating plan changes Christopher J. seconds. None opposed, motion passes. Bruce S. motions to delegate authority to Director Wilson to approve, permanently, new products that have been previously approved. Christopher J. seconds. None opposed, motion passes.

Queue Discussion: Director Wilson asks if the board minds that staff is triaging applications in the queue instead of processing first come, first serve. Christopher J. states examiners should process based on the date received and the Director can process what she chooses. Nick M. supports what staff is currently doing. Continue to triage and come back at the next meeting with a report on the progress. Bruce S. says the Director has the latitude to decide and suggests an intake orientation for licensees. Director Wilson mentions staff's discussions on creating and posting instructional videos, best tips, simple queue/complicated queue.

There is a discussion regarding not reviewing applications due to owed taxes. Applications should be reviewed regardless of their tax status.

Director Wilson and Jana Weltzin discuss the option of an annual registration (renewal) fee, but not the license fee. The license fee could be biennial. Maya Ali says renewal application fees go to AMCO. Half of the license fee go to AMCO and the other half goes to marijuana health and educational programs. Anything over the budget goes to the general fund or the state could give AMCO a "carry forward".

The board trusts the director and staff to do what they need to do.

2023 MCB BOARD MEETING CALENDAR AND LOCATION DISCUSSION

Jane Sawyer and Director Wilson present the information. The board agrees Sitka would be good in November, March meeting in Fairbanks, June meeting in Anchorage and the August meeting would be in Nome. Nick M. will meet with the ABC board chair, Dana Walukiewicz to finalize the locations.

MARIJUANA MAILBOX

All correspondence received in the <u>marijuana@alaska.gov</u> inbox from June 11, 2021 to September 2, 2022.

The board has no comments.

TAB 69

TAB 68

ADDITIONAL PUBLIC TESTIMONY

The Board may decide to limit public testimony.

Public testimony is limited to issues not on this agenda and that are not proposed regulations Written comments may also be submitted to the board for review during its next regular meeting via <u>marijuana@alaska.gov</u>.

Due to time, there is not an opportunity for further public testimony.

BOARD COMMENTS

Christopher J.: Thanks to staff, industry, and the board members. Eliza M.: Thanks to everyone, specifically Nathan Hall for his IT support. Bruce S.: Made a lot of progress and it is evident staff and counsel are working really hard. Nick M.: States staff is doing a great job and he personally appreciates all they do.

• NEXT MARIJUANA CONTROL BOARD MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for December 13 - 14, 2022, in Anchorage. All applications must be deemed complete and all other information for inclusion in the board's packets must be received by **November 25**, **2022.**

ADJOURN

Adjourned: 5:24 pm