

Cannabis Control Board Meeting Minutes – May 2, 2022

Chair calls the meeting to order at 11am. Board members in attendance:

- James Pepper, Chair
- Julie Hulburd
- Kyle Harris

Minutes recorded by Nellie Marvel.

Administrative notes: As of this morning, no licenses have been issued to applicants.

The Cannabis Control Board is hiring for licensing and compliance staff. There has been an overwhelming level of interest in the available positions, and the application window for the jobs will remain open until May 12th.

The Chair reiterates that the application window for cultivation tiers 1-5, testing labs, and integrated licenses is open, and that the Board will be reaching out this week for payment of application fees via email. The Board also gives a brief update on banking, insurance, and fire safety compliance.

Chair Pepper entertains a motion to adopt the minutes from April 25th. Hulburd moves, Harris seconds. Vote is 3-0-0 to adopt the minutes.

The Board reviews applicants for social equity status, and discusses staff recommendations for approval. Staff recommends approving the social equity status of eight anonymized applicants. The Chair entertains a motion to approve the social equity status of the eight presented applicants. Hulburd moves. Harris seconds. Brief discussion follows the motion on the definition of social equity applicant. At 11:16am, the vote is 3-0-0 to approve the social equity status of the applicants.

The Board moves into reviewing 18 completed pre-qualification applications that staff have forwarded to the Board for review. After review of anonymized applications and brief discussion, the Chair entertains a motion at 11:20am to approve the presented pre-qualification applications. Hulburd moves, Harris seconds. Vote is 3-0-0 to approve the presented pre-qualification applications.

The Chair opens the floor for public comment at 11:21am. Members of the public submit comments via Microsoft Teams and phone. He closes the public comment section of the meeting at 11:27am. Chair Pepper briefly addresses some of the questions that came up over the course of the meeting and public comment section. The meeting adjourns at 11:29am.