

Cannabis Control Board Meeting Minutes – September 14, 2022

Chair calls the meeting to order at 1:00pm. Board members in attendance:

- James Pepper, Chair
- Julie Hulburd
- Kyle Harris

Minutes recorded by Nellie Marvel.

Administrative Notes: Chair Pepper mentions that there will be an executive session later on in the Board meeting. He also states that the Board will approve its first two retail and one integrated license today, and describes the Board's thinking for license application prioritization.

Commissioner Harris gives a brief update on packaging.

Chair Pepper entertains a motion to adopt the minutes from September 7th. Hulburd moves, Harris seconds. Vote is 3-0-0 to adopt the minutes.

Cary Giguere, the CCB's compliance director provides an overview of the inventory tracking data points.

Brynn Hare then provides the staff recommendations for full licensure approval, and social equity status recommendations, as well as updates the Board on medical program statistics. The Board votes to move into executive session to discuss social equity status denials and presumptively disqualifying offenses of applicants. They will be joined by Xusana Davis and Jay Greene of the Vermont Office of Racial Equity. Hulburd moves, Harris seconds. Vote is 3-0-0 to move into executive session at 1:38pm.

The Board returns from executive session at 1:49pm. Pepper entertains a motion to accept the staff recommendations for licensure and social equity status. Hulburd moves. Harris seconds. Vote is 3-0-0 to accept the recommendations.

At 1:50pm, the Board moves into public comment. Members of the public comment via Microsoft Teams. The Chair closes the public comment window at 2:02pm and adjourns the meeting immediately afterwards.

Video recording of September 14 Meeting:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mWcUlgJrcUU>

Medical Cannabis Program

9/7/22 – 9/13/22

New Patient Applications Received	Patient Renewal Applications Received	Patient Cards Issued	New Caregiver Applications Received	Caregiver Renewal Applications Received	Caregiver Applications Approved	Dispensary Employee Cards Issued
23	63	39	5	3	4	11

- Medical staff currently processing applications received on and after 8/10/22

License Applications (as of 9/13/22)

Applying For	Under					Pending CCB					Total
	Submitted	Received	Review	Incomplete	Re-Submitted	Review	Approved	Issued	Withdrawn	Dismissed	
Employee ID Card	3	2	2	42	2	0	0	12	14	1	78
Indoor Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator	1	0	2	8	15	4	19	20	3	4	76
Indoor Cultivator Tier 2	0	0	0	7	4	0	2	1	2	0	16
Indoor Cultivator Tier 3	0	0	0	2	3	1	0	1	1	0	8
Indoor Cultivator Tier 4	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Indoor Cultivator Tier 5	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Integrated Licenses	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	3
Manufacturers Tier 1	0	2	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	5
Manufacturers Tier 2	0	6	5	5	4	0	0	3	2	0	25
Manufacturers Tier 3	0	4	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	8
Mixed Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator	0	0	0	9	8	2	26	27	9	4	85
Mixed Cultivator Tier 2	0	1	1	0	3	1	4	2	1	0	13
Mixed Cultivator Tier 3	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	0	4
Mixed Cultivator Tier 4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Mixed Cultivator Tier 5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator	0	0	2	9	5	0	24	52	10	4	106
Outdoor Cultivator Tier 2	0	0	0	1	0	1	10	6	3	1	22
Outdoor Cultivator Tier 3	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	1	0	6
Outdoor Cultivator Tier 4	0	0	1	0	0	0	3	1	1	1	7
Outdoor Cultivator Tier 5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	1	4
Retailers	1	7	4	9	3	2	0	0	0	1	27
Testing Labs	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	5
Wholesalers	0	0	3	3	1	0	1	1	0	1	10
Total	6	28	18	98	51	12	94	141	49	27	524

Staff Recommendations for a Cannabis Establishment License

The following applicants have demonstrated compliance with all requirements for their license contained in CCB Rules 1.4 and 1.5 and 7 V.S.A. chapter 33.

Submission#	Business Name	Applying For	City	Priority Status
S-000000091	Pinehill Organics, LLC	Mixed Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator	West Rutland	Standard
S-000000137	OGW cannabis LLC	Indoor Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator	Bristol	Standard
S-000000456	Pinnacle Valley Organics Inc.	Indoor Cultivator Tier 3	Randolph	Standard
S-000000478	Champlain Valley Dispensary, Inc., CeresMED, Ceres	Integrated Licenses	Burlington	Integrated
S-000000614	Fern's Flowers, LLC; Fern's Flowers	Indoor Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator	Proctorsville	Economic Empowerment
S-000000723	Birdseye Botanicals	Outdoor Cultivator Tier 2	Castleton	Standard
S-000000337	District 802, LLC	Indoor Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator	Brattleboro	Standard
S-000000798	YBNRML LLC	Mixed Cultivator Tier 2	Perkinsville	Standard
S-000000820	Turkey Hollow Cannabis	Indoor Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator	Barnard	Standard
S-000001123	Trichome Ranch, LLC	Mixed Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator	Rochester	Standard
S-000001159	FLORA Cannabis	Retailers	Middlebury	Standard
S-000001163	Legal name: Mountain Girl Cannabis, Inc. Trade name: Mountain Girl Cannabis	Retailers	Rutland	Social Equity

License Amendments (as of 9/13/22)

Applying For	Issued	Dismissed	Total
Mixed Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator Amendment	2	6	8
Outdoor Cultivator Tier 1 Small Cultivator Amendment	3	0	3
Total	5	6	11

Social Equity License Applications (as of 9/13/22)

Application Status:	Submitted	Received	Under Review	Incomplete	Resubmitted	Pending Board Review	Approved	Issued	Withdrawn	Dismissed	Total
Social Equity	0	0	9	10	8	1	19	34	8	12	101

Staff Recommendations for Social Equity Status Denial

[Submission S-000000637](#)

Staff recommends denial of social equity status for this applicant, as the applicant does not meet the criteria for social equity business applicant as defined in Board Rule 1.1.3(p).

[Submission S-000000913](#)

Staff recommends denial of social equity status for this applicant, as the applicant does not meet the criteria for social equity business applicant as defined in Board Rule 1.1.3(p).

[Submission S-000000845](#)

Staff recommends denial of social equity status for this applicant, as the applicant does not meet the criteria for social equity individual applicant as defined in Board Rule 1.1.3(o).