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Arizona State Liquor Board Hearing Minutes
November 5, 2015

Members Present: Cyndy Valdez - Chairman, Bill Du Pont - Vice Chairman, Vikki Scarafiotti, Michael Troyan, and Jim Carruthers

Members Absent: None

Counsel Present: Michael Raine, Assistant Attorney General
Christopher Munns, Assistant Attorney General (available telephonically)

Staff Present: Denise Bale, Board Administrator

A. Call to Order

The hearing of the Arizona State Liquor Board was called to order on November 5, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. with Ms. Valdez presiding.

Roll Call

All members were present.

B. Recognition of departing Board Members

Two members are no longer serving on the Board. Robin Cantrell represented the retail tier of the industry and Graham County. The first meeting she attended was December 2008 and the last meeting was September 2015. J.D. Ghelfi represented Maricopa County and began serving in September 2009. He was Chairman from February 2011 to September 2015. Ms. Valdez expressed gratitude and thanks for their service.

The Board proceeded to item letter F.

F. Election of Officers: Chairman and Vice Chairman

Motion to elect

Cyndy Valdez as Chairman -	Du Pont
Seconded -	Scarafiotti
Yay -	Du Pont, Scarafiotti, Troyan, Carruthers
Nay -	None
Abstained -	Valdez
Disposition -	Cyndy Valdez elected Chairman

Motion to elect	
Bill Du Pont as Vice Chairman -	Carruthers
Seconded -	Scarafiotti
Yay -	Carruthers, Scarafiotti, Troyan, Valdez
Nay -	None
Abstained -	Du Pont
Disposition -	Bill Du Pont elected Vice Chairman

The Board proceeded to item letter C.

C. 10:00 a.m. Agenda: Review, consideration and action

1. Restaurant Liquor License No. 1207A203 - Original Application

Joseph Noyes Martini
 Wild Wild West BBQ Company LLC
 Rango's Smoke House Grill
 6032 E. Cave Creek Road
 Cave Creek, AZ 85331

Subsequent to this matter being scheduled for hearing, an application withdrawal has been filed with the Board. This matter was continued from the September 3, 2015 meeting. This matter is set for hearing because of Department protest and because the Town of Cave Creek recommended disapproval. The Applicant, Joseph Martini, did not appear at the hearing and was not represented by counsel. The Town of Cave Creek was represented by Carefree-Cave Creek Prosecutor Thomas J. Parascandola. Assistant Attorney General Michael Raine appeared on behalf of the Department of Liquor Licenses and Control. Assistant Attorney General Christopher Munns, from the Solicitor General's Office, was available to provide independent legal advice to the Board.

Mr. Raine stated the Department does not object to the application withdrawal. Mr. Parascandola stated the Town of Cave Creek does not take a position on the application withdrawal.

Motion to accept	
application withdrawal -	Du Pont
Seconded -	Carruthers
Yay -	Du Pont, Carruthers, Valdez, Scarafiotti, Troyan
Nay -	None
Abstained -	None
Disposition -	Application withdrawal accepted

2. Beer and Wine Bar Liquor License No. 07073505 - Original Application

Cabrina Jennifer McAllister
 374 Investment Holdings LLC
 Seven 50ml Wine Bar & Bistro
 1090 S. Gilbert Road
 Gilbert, AZ 85296

This matter is set for hearing because of Department protest. The Applicant, Cabrina Jennifer McAllister, did not appear at the hearing and was represented by counsel, William D. Black. Assistant Attorney General Michael Raine appeared on behalf of the Department of Liquor Licenses and Control. Assistant Attorney General Christopher Munns, from the Solicitor General's Office, was available to provide independent legal advice to the Board.

Mr. Black summarized the Motion to Continue that was filed with the Board prior to this hearing. He requested a sixty-day continuance to allow time for the church that is within 300 feet of the proposed establishment to relocate, and for the Applicant to determine if she wants to proceed with the liquor license application. Mr. Raine stated the Department does not object to the continuance.

Motion to continue to the January 7 Board meeting -	Du Pont
Seconded -	Scarafiotti
Yay -	Du Pont, Scarafiotti, Valdez, Troyan, Carruthers
Nay -	None
Abstained -	None
Disposition -	Continued to the January 7, 2016 Board meeting

3. Restaurant Liquor License No. 12083529 - Original Application

Michael Stephen Simpson, Jr.
Simpson Assets LLC
Champs Pub and Grill
2215 E. Butler Avenue
Kingman, AZ 86409

Subsequent to this matter being scheduled for hearing, an application withdrawal has been filed with the Board. This matter is set for hearing because of Department protest. The Applicant, Michael Stephen Simpson, did not appear at the hearing and was not represented by counsel. Assistant Attorney General Michael Raine appeared on behalf of the Department of Liquor Licenses and Control. Assistant Attorney General Christopher Munns, from the Solicitor General's Office, was available to provide independent legal advice to the Board.

Mr. Raine stated the Department does not object to the application withdrawal.

Motion to accept application withdrawal -	Carruthers
Seconded -	Du Pont
Yay -	Carruthers, Du Pont, Valdez, Scarafiotti, Troyan
Nay -	None
Abstained -	None
Disposition -	Application withdrawal accepted

4. Bar Liquor License No. 06070398 - Agent Change Application

Damian John Hartze
5832, Inc.
Great Alaskan Bush Co
2980 Grand Avenue
Phoenix, AZ 85017

Subsequent to this matter being scheduled for hearing, an application withdrawal has been filed with the Board. This matter is set for hearing because of Department protest. The Applicant, Damian John Hartze, appeared at the hearing and was not represented by counsel. Assistant Attorney General Michael Raine appeared on behalf of the Department of Liquor Licenses and Control. Assistant Attorney General Christopher Munns, from the Solicitor General's Office, was available to provide independent legal advice to the Board.

Mr. Raine stated the Department does not object to the application withdrawal.

Motion to accept application withdrawal -	Du Pont
Seconded -	Scarafiotti
Yay -	Du Pont, Scarafiotti, Carruthers, Valdez, Troyan
Nay -	None
Abstained -	None
Disposition -	Application withdrawal accepted

D. Minutes

Motion to approve the
September 3, 2015 minutes - Carruthers
Seconded - Du Pont
Yay - Carruthers, Du Pont, Valdez, Scarafiotti
Nay - None
Abstained - Troyan
Disposition - September 3, 2015 minutes approved

Motion to approve the
September 3, 2015
Executive Session minutes - Du Pont
Seconded - Carruthers
Yay - Du Pont, Carruthers, Valdez, Scarafiotti
Nay - None
Abstained - Troyan
Disposition - September 3, 2015 Executive Session minutes approved

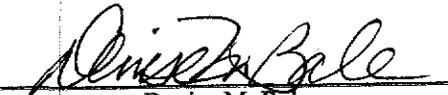
E. Reports on Current Events, Matters of Board Procedure, Requests and Items for Future Agenda

The next scheduled meeting is December 3, 2015. The Board will vote on its 2016 meeting schedule.

F. Call to the Public

None.

The Board adjourned at 10:15 a.m.



Denise M. Bale
Administrator of the
Arizona State Liquor Board

12/3/15
Date