



SUMMARY MINUTES

Medical Marijuana Advisory Board
Government Center East, Room 430
115 S Andrews Avenue, Ft Lauderdale, FL 33301
Wednesday, April 25, 2018 1:30 pm

Board Members Present

Arby Barroso, Chair
Abby M. Freedman
Ed Rebholz

Terrence Davis
Nicole H. Fried
Jay Work

Anthony Fabrizio
Seth A. Hyman

County Staff

Jo Sesodia, Director, PDMD
Chris Flynn, Admin, PDMD
Cyril Saiphoo, Staff Coordinator, PDMD

Maite Azcoitia, CAO
Orlando Garcia, Boards Administrator

Attendees

Natlena Coleman, Ft. Lauderdale
Jeff Greene, Weston
Rev. Jessie Scipio, Boulevard Gardens

Dodly Filius, N. Lauderdale
Scheril Murray Powell, Ft. Lauderdale
Zandra Scipio, Boulevard Gardens

1. Call to Order

Prior to Call to Order Board members introduced themselves and provided brief background of experience in the medical marijuana industry. The meeting was called to order by Chair Arby Barroso at 1:46 PM.

2. Roll Call

Roll call was conducted by Staff Coordinator Cyril Saiphoo. A quorum was met with 8 members present.

3. Approval of Minutes - None

First Board meeting, no prior meeting minutes to approve.

4. Chair Report/Comments

No Chair report or comments.

5. New Business

a. Presentation – Advisory Board Procedures and Policies (Orlando Garcia)

Orlando Garcia, Broward County Boards Administrator from Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, presented a briefing to the Board on rules and requirements for serving on a board. A copy of the presentation was provided to each member.

b. Motion – Selection of MMAB Vice Chair

Chair requested delaying the selection of Vice Chair until next meeting or after, to allow Board members more time to get to know each other.

c. Motion – Setting MMAB meeting dates, times, and locations

List of proposed meeting dates given to each Board member to review and check their availability. Chair delayed vote on Motion to allow Board members time to check their schedules and availability.

6. Old Business

No old business.

7. Public Comments

The following persons commented during Public Comments:

Rev. Jessie Scipio, Ft. Lauderdale

Scheril Murray Powell, Ft. Lauderdale

Zandra Scipio, Ft. Lauderdale

8. MMAB Member Reports/Comments

The general consensus of the Members discussions focused on need for education and informing the public about the medical marijuana industry.

9. Staff Coordinator Report/Comments

Staff discussed proposed meeting dates with unanimous Board approval to hold next meeting on May 23. Some board members noted they may not be able to make proposed June 13 meeting.

Staff discussed with the Board remaining Board vacancies.

10. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 3:15 PM.

Medical Marijuana Advisory Board (MMAB):

- Advise and make recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners for improving operations and services for growing, processing, and selling medical marijuana for qualified patients and users
- Obtain information concerning medical marijuana and related matters within Broward County
- Provide recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners regarding regulations and fees related to medical marijuana treatment centers
- Develop programs to educate the citizens of Broward County as to the benefits and disadvantages of the use of medical marijuana

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