Washington Beer Commission Commissioner's Meeting Minutes 3/10/2020 1:00pm

Location: Conference Call

In Attendance: Eric Radovich, Ken Nabors, Meghann Quinn, Dave Leonard, Heather Brandt, Julie

Johnson, Matt Lincecum, Matt Russell, Tyler Allott, Seaver Radovich

- 1. Chairman Report
  - a. Approve of minutes from Strategic Planning, January 14, 2020
    - i. Approved
- 2. Finance Committee Report (Ken Nabors New Treasurer)
  - a. WBC Balance Sheets through February 29, 2020
    - i. Moved the rainy-day fund into the operating budget to be able to pay for upfront bills for WA Brewers Festival
    - ii. Assessment Billings
      - 1. ~\$30,000 billed
      - 2. Expecting \$25,000 to be paid
    - iii. WA Brewers Festival Sponsors
      - 1. \$31,000 to be billed April 1<sup>st</sup>
      - 2. There is a possibility of additional sponsorship money coming in if WA Brewers Festival outlook looks good
    - iv. Additional Income
      - 1. Early ticket sales for WA Brewers Festival
      - 2. WABL memberships renewed
  - b. COVID-19, Potential Impact on WBC Festivals
    - i. Events in the Seattle area have been cancelled in March
      - 1. Comparable event to WA Brewers Fest that got cancelled Taste WA
    - ii. Keeping a close eye on what happens with the virus and what the Governor decides to do with public events
      - 1. Not currently in a position to make a decision on cancelling future events
      - 2. We are optimistic that our festivals will be produced
        - a. Hoping everyone has cabin fever come June and wants to drink beer outside
  - c. Finance Committee Meeting April 7<sup>th</sup> (WBC Office)
    - i. Get an update on the current COVID-19 situation
    - ii. Go over financials to see how we can operate with the potential of cancellation of WA Brewers Festival
    - iii. Look at different scenarios to plan for the future of WBC Festivals
    - iv. April 9<sup>th</sup> Special WBC meeting to go over all scenarios from April 7<sup>th</sup> meeting and discuss moving forward with WA Brewers Festival
    - v. Look to renegotiate contracts with venues to deal with lower attendance if risk is apparent
- 3. Executive Director Report
  - a. Marketing Committee Report
  - b. Brew 62

- i. Currently in a holding pattern
- ii. Were supposed to announce grand opening of Pier 62 in March, but are currently waiting out COVID-19 to make an announcement
- c. WA Beer Open House
  - i. 132 brewers participated this year
  - ii. Governor Inslee signed the proclamation to make Open House Saturday officially "Craft Beer Day" in WA
- d. Taste Washington
  - i. WA Wine Commission has cancelled Taste WA for 2020
- 4. Director of Festival Operations Report
  - a. Festival Committee Report
  - b. Cask Festival
    - i. WA Brewers Guild has cancelled Cask Fest for 2020
  - c. Tri-Cities
    - i. Will wait two weeks to get an update to see if we need to cancel this festival
    - ii. We don't want to be the first event cancellation in the Tri-Cities area
- 5. Mobile App/Web Site/Social Media
  - a. Mobile App Numbers
    - i. App Downloads: 15,893
    - ii. Total Stamps Collected all time: 169,371
    - iii. Total WABL Stamps Collected in 2019: 56,530
  - b. Social Media
    - i. Facebook: 12,081
    - ii. Twitter: 9,834
    - iii. Instagram: 13,611
  - c. WABL
    - i. WABL Members: 3,455
    - ii. 2019 WABL Prize Redemptions
      - 1. 20 Stamp: 794
      - 2. 50 Stamp: 608
- 6. New Business
- 7. Adjourn 1:55pm \*Special WBC Meeting Thursday, April 9, 2020, 1-2:30pm, Fremont Production Facility
  - a. WBC Meeting Schedule 2020
    - i. Tuesday, May 12
    - ii. Tuesday, July 14
    - iii. Tuesday, September 15<sup>th</sup> (Strategic Planning)
    - iv. Tuesday, November 10