

**VERMONT TOBACCO EVALUATION AND REVIEW BOARD**  
**BOARD MEETING**

**Wednesday, January 6, 2016, 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**  
**Department of Liquor Control, 13 Green Mountain Drive, Montpelier**

**Minutes**

**Members Attending: Amy Brewer, Greg MacDonald, Bill Goggins, Helen Wagner, Bob Uerz, Rebecca Thompson; Barbara Cimaglio**

**Guests Attending: Rhonda Williams (VDH), Rebecca Rouiller (VDH), Rebecca Ryan (ALA)**

Meeting began at 3:08pm.

Approval of December 2, 2015 Minutes (**VOTE**)

Absent a quorum, no vote was taken.

Public Comment: none.

**Announcements**

Rebecca Rouiller, VDH's new cessation services coordinator, introduced herself to the board. Rhonda shared that the marijuana health impact assessment will be released next week. Rhonda will forward it to Kate who will distribute it to board members.

**Committee Updates**

The enforcement committee met on December 12, 2015. Helen shared an overview of the meeting (see committee meeting minutes for specifics). Bill G. updated the board that DLC has established a sample e-cigarette compliance check process.

**AOE school-based grant presentation**

The AOE released their 2017 AOE comprehensive school-based tobacco prevention grant request for proposals. In the past the grant opportunity was extended on a formula basis, but in this round, the grant has been expanded to four years (re-evaluated annually contingent upon funding) and will be made available competitively, with a more concerted focus on indicators for youth smoking, adult smoking, poverty, and quality of application. Available funding will be capped at \$30,000 per supervisory union, regardless of student enrollment. Application deadline is April 29, 2016.

**VDH cessation contract**

Rhonda and Rebecca presented the draft of the cessation services vendor contract request for proposals. National Jewish Health has been the vendor for four years. Their contract ends June 30, 2016. Six core services will be part of the contract: Service delivery for the quitline, the quit-on-line program, nicotine replacement therapy, data collection and reporting, educational materials and outreach to providers, quality assurance and evaluation. Detailed RFP information is available on the Vermont Department of Economic Development website at: <http://www.vermontbidsystem.com/BidPreview.aspx?BidID=15167>

**Annual legislative report budget recommendation (**VOTE**)**

Absent a quorum, no vote was taken. Kate will schedule a special meeting of VTERB for Wednesday January 13, 2016, 3pm.

Current Bill Review (Discussion)

Absent a quorum, no formal position on any bill was taken at this meeting. General discussion pertaining to the content of each bill took place.

- [H.59](#) An act relating to banning the sale of flavored liquid nicotine
- [H.93](#) An act relating to increasing the smoking age from 18 to 21 years of age
- [H.171](#) An act relating to restrictions on the use of electronic cigarettes
- [H.233](#) An act relating to the taxation of e-cigarettes
- [H.265](#) An act relating to raising the cigarette and tobacco products tax rates
- [H.293](#) An act relating to compliance testing of tobacco licensees
- [H.416](#) An act relating to smoking outside places of public access
- [H.509](#) An act relating to prohibiting smoking outside apartment buildings

Other Business/Information: none.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00pm.

***Special VTERB Meeting:***

***Wednesday January 13, 2016, 3:00-3:30pm***

***Vermont Agency of Human Services Conference Room B, 208 Hurricane Lane,  
Williston, VT***

***Next regular VTERB Meeting:***

***Wednesday February 3, 2016, 3:00-5:00pm***

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