

Arkansas Medical Marijuana Commission

May 30, 2017

On the 30th day of May, 2017, the Arkansas Medical Marijuana Commission (AMMC) convened at Little Rock, Arkansas. In attendance were the Arkansas Medical Marijuana Commissioners: Dr. Ronda Henry-Tillman, Chairperson, Dr. Stephen J. Carroll, Travis W. Story, Esq., James Miller, and Dr. J. Carlos Roman.

Commissioner Tillman called the meeting to order.

Joel DiPippa, Senior Counsel for the Department of Finance and Administration – Revenue Legal Counsel provided an update on the approval process for the rules promulgated by the Commission.

Commissioners discussed the draft applications for cultivation facilities and dispensaries. Commissioners suggested removing the word “Required” from the heading for the merit section of the application. Commissioners also suggested adding the word “Merit” to the bonus section.

Commissioners discussed imposing a page limitation on the response provided to the merit portion of the application.

Commissioner Miller made a motion to impose the following limitation to Section E. of the application: Responses should be limited to twenty (20) pages, with unlimited addenda. A summary should be included in those twenty (20) pages. Commissioner Story provided a second to the motion. By a vote of 5-0, the motion passed.

Commissioners later decided to re-visit the twenty (20) page limitation in their next meeting.

Commissioners discussed scoring the merit portion of both cultivation facility applications and dispensary applications.

Commissioner Miller made a motion to assign the following weighted percentages to the merit portion, “Section E”, of the cultivation facility application:

Schedule 1: Qualifications of Applicant	10%
Schedule 2: Ability to Operate a Cultivation Facility in compliance with Applicable Laws, Rules and Regulations	50%
Schedule 3: Operations Plan	20%
Schedule 4: Financial Disclosure	10%
Bonus:	10%
Schedule 5: Affiliation with a Medical Doctor, Doctor of Osteopathy, or Doctor of Pharmacy	

Schedule 6: Economic Impact and Diversity

Schedule 7: Community Benefit

Commissioner Roman provided a second to the motion. By a vote of 5-0, the motion passed.

Commissioner Miller made a motion to assign the following weighted percentages to the merit portion, "Section E", of the dispensary application:

Schedule 1: Qualifications of Applicant	10%
Schedule 2: Ability to Operate a Dispensary in compliance with Applicable Laws, Rules and Regulations	50%
Schedule 3: Operations Plan	20%
Schedule 4: Financial Disclosure	10%
Bonus:	10%

Schedule 5: Affiliation with a Medical Doctor, Doctor of Osteopathy, or Doctor of Pharmacy

Schedule 6: Economic Impact and Diversity

Schedule 7: Community Benefit

Commissioner Story provided a second to the motion. By a vote of 5-0, the motion passed.

Commissioners agreed to re-visit their page limitation for application responses in the next meeting.

Commissioners agreed to discuss providing more specific detail in the point values or weight assigned to specific sections in the next meeting.

The commission set their next meeting for Tuesday June 6, 2017 at 3:30 p.m.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Approved:

Dr. Ronda Henry-Tillman, Chairperson