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**BOARD MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 5, 2020**

The Arkansas Tobacco Control Board met on Thursday, March 5, 2020 for its monthly meeting in the Main Street Mall Building, located at 101 E. Capitol Avenue, Little Rock, Arkansas, beginning at 10:00 a.m. in Suite 119. There were 7 Board members present. Those attending were Chairman Kevin Case, Dr. Brad Mayfield, Mrs. Carol Dyer, Mr. Sam Stathakis, Jr., Dr. Patricia Knott and Dr. Shabbir Dharamsey. Mr. Jay Hickey did not attend today's meeting.

Chairman Kevin Case welcomed those attending in the audience. The Hearing Officer and Court Reporter were not present for today's meeting.

Mr. Case presented Director Steve Goode with a service plaque for his 5 years of service as the Director. Director Goode resigned on February 28th.

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Case asked for a motion to approve the board meeting minutes from February 6, 2020. A motion was made to approve the February minutes and it was passed with 7 yes votes with 1 absent.

NEW PERMITS ISSUED

Director Greg Sled asked the Board members to review the list of 27 new permits issued from February 6 through March 4, 2020. The new permits issued were approved by the board with 7 yes votes with 1 absent.

ACCEPTED OFFERS OF SETTLEMENT

Director Sled then asked the board members to review the list of Accepted Offers of Settlement dated March 5th, 2020 which were approved by the board with 7 yes votes with 1 absent.

ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY

Director Greg Sled reported to the board for the enforcement department of the agency that for the month of December 2019 we completed 293 compliance checks that resulted in 11 violations for a 3.75% violation rate. January 2020 had 269 compliance checks with 4 violations for a 1.49% violation rate and February we completed 285 compliance checks that resulted in 7 violations for a 2.46% violation rate.

9 Store inspections have been completed that resulted in 18 violations which is a violation rate of 88.89%.

Mandy Miller will be conducting a Merchant Training Class in Rogers on March 10, 2020.

He also reported on the dollar amount of fines that were collected in the last 3 years.

FDA ACTIVITY

Deputy Director Ray Owens reported that in February FDA performed 223 routine inspections with 4 violations and 63 Follow up inspections with 3 violations which gave them a 2.45% violation rate.

LEGAL UPDATE

Attorney Lindsey Burnette reported the 1 appeal case is still pending but in progress.

ADJOURNMENT

In closing, Chairman Case stated that the next Board Meeting will be April 2nd, 2020. A motion was made and seconded to adjourn. It was approved with 7 yes votes with 1 absent. The meeting was adjourned.

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