

SECONDHAND MERCHANDISE ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

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LOCATION: CROWN PAWN
130 EAST 3300 SOUTH
SALT LAKE CITY UT 84115
November 5, 2014
8:00am

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mike Katsanevas, representative from pawnshop industry
Boyd Clark, representative from secondhand merchandise dealers industry
Dave Fadel, representative from secondhand merchandise dealers industry
Mike Millard, representative from law enforcement that works with pawnshops and SHMs
Leena Kumar, representative from Central Database (Non-Voting)
Richard Jorgensen, representative of the Utah Municipal Prosecutors Association
Tracy Brewer, representative of the Utah Chiefs of Police Association
Brad Jenkins, representative from pawnshop industry
Brad Smith, representative from general law enforcement
Holly Cocco, representative of Statewide Association of Prosecutors
Mike Malay, representative from pawnshop industry

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Dennis Harris, representative of Utah Sheriff's Association
Staci Larsen, representative from coin dealers
Vacant board position, representative from secondhand merchandise dealers industry

DIVISION STAFF PRESENT:

Daniel O'Bannon, Director
Michael Palumbo, Chief Investigator
Glen Minson, Investigator
David Pierson, Licensor

GUESTS:

Rep. Curtis Oda, House District 14
Sen. Todd Weiler, Senate District 23
Sgt. Joseph N. Sturzenegger, SLCPD
Kari Roberts, SLCPD Pawn Technician
Craig Park, Monarch Coin
Rachel Diamant, Check City (Prospective Board Member)

The November 5, 2014 meeting of the Secondhand Merchandise Advisory Board (Board) began at 8:00am with Chairman of the Board, Mike Katsanevas, conducting the meeting. The Chairman called the meeting to order.

A quorum of at least nine (9) board members was met at this meeting.

Agenda Items:

1. APPROVE PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Chairman Mike Katsanevas asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the January 8th, April 4th, and August 6th 2014 board minutes. Board Member Mike Malay made the motion, which was seconded and passed unanimously.

2. ADMINISTRATIVE RULE CHANGES ARE NOW EFFECTIVE WITH REGARDS TO EXEMPT BUSINESSES

Investigator Glen Minson informed the Board that the administrative rule changes to R152-32a that the Division of Consumer Protection presented before the board for feedback earlier in the year have gone through the official rule-making process and are in effect.

3. DISCUSSION REGARDING OPEN BOARD MEMBER POSITION FROM SHM INDUSTRY.

Chairman Katsanevas next introduced Rachel Diamant to the Board, as he is recommending her to fill the vacant board position for a representative of the secondhand merchandise dealers industry. After a brief introduction the Board was unanimous in recommending her name to be forwarded to fill the open position. Investigator Minson then explained the next steps in the process to have Ms. Diamant appointed.

4. DETERMINE 2015 TRAINING LOCATIONS AND DATES

Chairman Katsanevas opened the discussion about 2014 training locations and dates by presenting the idea that the Vernal training session be moved to another location after low turnout for the 2014 session. Price was presented as an alternative to cover the eastern and southeastern portions of the State. Training was set for February 5th in Salt Lake, April 2nd in Provo, May 7th in Ogden, September 3rd in Price, October 1st in St. George and November 5th in Salt Lake. Katsanevas asked for board input to aid in revamping the training materials for the upcoming year.

5. DETERMINE 2015 BOARD MEETING DATES

Chairman Katsanevas presented January 7th, March 4th, Jun 3rd, September 2nd and November 4th as possible dates for Secondhand Merchandise Advisory Board Meetings in 2015. These have been decided to be the dates for those meetings.

6. OPEN FORUM FOR DISCUSSION

Chairman Katsanevas began the open forum for discussion by introducing Rep. Oda and Sen. Weiler to the board, and informing them of the make-up and purpose of the Board.

Investigator Minson then directed the Board's attention to the handouts prepared by the Division for the Board showing the increase in attendance at trainings from 2011-2014. Minson expressed appreciation for the Board's efforts in conduction training sessions and fielding industry questions.

Detective Millard was next to speak, and raised the issue of legislation that may be presented during the next session that aims to exempt a segment of the secondhand industry from the 15 day hold requirement of the PSMTIA.

Investigator Minson took an opportunity to invite the Board to forward any ideas they have for increasing the functionality of the database to the Division. Detective Millard raised the possibility that the Division investigate ways to improve the database's integration with NCIC, particularly with respect to firearms and bicycles

Director O'Bannon informed the Board that the Division is working toward having the application and renewal process for PSMTIA registrants be an online process, but that capability won't be online for the 2015 renewal period.

The last item discussed during the open forum was Chairman Katsanevas' update on progress toward creating a message board, outside the Department of Commerce, that could be used by the secondhand industry to keep members informed of scams and alleged bad actors targeting the industry.

7. MEETING ADJOURNED