

Standards Committee Meeting 9.20.17 @ 5pm

Attendees: Teresa Pitzer, Alan Pointer, Sheila Pointer, Sue Theolass, Jaimee Gentile, Colleen Bauman, Tym Mazet

Guests: Erica and Jason Wade, Paula Kjorlie

Staff: Kirsten Bolton, Courtney Kauffman (recorder)

Please note: Items may not appear in consecutive order as they were addressed at the meeting, but may have been rearranged for clarity. Points of discussion are statements of individual members and not necessarily the consensus of the whole committee.

Introductions and Announcements: Colleen Bauman announced her intention to join the committee. Tym Mazet also announced her intention to join the committee. Diane McWhorter retired from doing the minutes. Courtney will be taking over as the recorder. Sue Theolass suggested sending a Thank You card for Diane for her service.

Teresa amended Agenda by adding Set HM Standards meeting (after New Business).

****Motion to Approve Agenda- Alan/Sue- 5 approve, 0 opposed, 0 abstain.**

Pressing Member Issues: Erica and Jason Wade, White Picket Fence Caramels- packaging concerns. Currently required to wrap caramels individually, and then again in a sealed plastic bag due to prepackaged food requirements. Have samples in jars. Proposed solution: Would like to allow customers to select the flavors they want, and then to place in a sealed box. Box has label and is color-coded to identify different flavors. Allows customer more choice and reduces amount of waste generated. With the box being sealed, still gives the impression that caramels are to be enjoyed offsite. *Discussion: Guideline of caramels needing to be prepackaged in sealed bag is for the purpose of creating impression that caramels are to be enjoyed offsite and to create equal opportunity for food vendors. Boxes will be sealed after Member packages caramels, giving the same impression. The committee really liked that their alternative solution generated less trash, which is more sustainable and less costly. Standards Committee Members did not feel that the labels met ODA requirements, but Erica and Jason stated that they had been approved by a representative of the ODA during inspection.*

Paula Kjorlie- asked to come from a Notice of Concern regarding whether she was doing the macramé on her necklaces, and due to the size of pendants used. Brought unfinished necklaces and supplies to demonstrate her work with explanation over the different processes used. *Discussion: Committee felt macramé was done herself and a lot of work was being put into the pendants. Pendants come unfinished, and she rebalances, drills, stains, brushes and antiques them before use in a piece. The refinishing work is an example of the guideline of 'member contribution outweighing the commercial components of the product'.*

Final Decisions on Pressing Member Issues:

****Erica and Jason Wade- Alan/Sue- Grant an exception to allow customers to select the flavors they want, and then the Member will package the caramels in a sealed box. (Erica and Jason will need to come before the Committee every year to be granted the exception.) 5- approve, 0- opposed, 0- abstain**

**Paula Kjorlie- Sheila/Alan- accept small and large wooden pendants, 5- approve, 0- opposed, 0- abstain. Bone pendants- Alan/Sue- 3- accept, 1- opposed, 1- abstain.

**Approve August Minutes: Sue/Alan, 5 approve, 0 oppose, 0 abstain.

Admin Report: No Notices of Concern submitted for past month. No current concerns over scent, possibly could come up again with Holiday Market. Guidelines on scent were reviewed.

**Motion to accept the Admin report- Alan/Sue- 5 accept, 0 opposed, 0 abstain

Old Business:

Buskers- suggestion of adding sign-up sheet, Jake creating identifying sticker (like the strollers). Concern over registration being mandatory, issues with free speech. Kirsten mentioned that there has not been as many issues with buskers in the past month. Discussion over the rule of no amplification, and that being enforced better. Work with security on enforcement.

New Business:

Set HM Standards meeting- November 29th @ 3pm. May be cancelled if not necessary.

Meeting Evaluation: Good meeting!

Next Meeting: October 18th @ 5pm

Adjourn @ 6:15pm