Standards Committee Meeting Minutes

October 19, 2016

Attendance: Paulette Richards, Teresa Pitzer, Eli Mazet, Tym Mazet, Shelia Pointer, Alan Pointer, Alex Lanham, Sue Theolass

Staff: Kimberly Cullen

Recorder: Diane McWhorter

Guests: Angela MacDonald, Ala Amundson, Mark Storms, Rosalind Brown, Anita Sullivan

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. All approvals are pending the provision of all required licenses, labeling requirements, and payment of fees in a timely manner.

Introductions and Announcements: No announcements.

Agenda Review and Approval: Add setting the date for a meeting in December.

***Motion: Approve the agenda (Teresa/Alan) All in favor 8-0-0

Prepackaged Foods: Anita Sullivan, Salsa del Rio: Enchilada Sauce Mix (dry) packaged and to be sold by students in the Looking Glass Riverfront School culinary program. The recipe is Anita’s own mix and she grinds the peppers. There are between six and nine students who will sell in teams of two throughout the day. They plan to use the little blue booth in the Local Food Producers Program. They work in a licensed commercial kitchen and have insurance and food handlers cards, although the license is not in Anita’s name but in the name of the supervisor of the project, who works for Looking Glass Riverfront. The insurance needs a rider naming Saturday Market. Anita is a volunteer, but she did run a food booth at SM for 25 years. Some members supported making an exception to the guideline regarding the license name based on the nature of her service to the at-risk students in the program and the value to the community of allowing them an opportunity, and her experience in the food circle. There was concern about the staff time involved in this new program if the members don’t stay members longer than their few weeks in the program, and communication between the Standards Committee, staff and the Food Committee sub-committee. Paulette will contact the Food Court Committee co-chairs and the sub-committee.

***Motion: Make an exception in the case of the Looking Glass School culinary arts program to allow Anita to sell with the license submitted. (Sue/Teresa) 7-0-1 (Alan). Motion passed.

Ala Amundson: Prayma Wool: Herbal First Aid Kits: Ala brought a sewn bag that she plans to sell filled with her herbal products, which would include Sting Stop, Wound Care Poultice, and two Tinctures, one an anti-poison formula and one called HerbAleve. She works in a commercially licensed kitchen and will soon send in her insurance documents. She has already been selling other products, including herbal honeys. Tinctures made with alcohol are not regulated as alcohol by the OLCC. The honeys may have been approved before the “ingestibles” rules changed; bringing up the issue that people who have not sold recently may not have gone through a screening and orientation under current rules.
**Motion: Accept the herbal products (pending paperwork) (Sue/Alan) 8-0-0**

Angela MacDonald: Labrang Tea Traders: Tea Spreads: The spreads are jellies made with her tea blends, though she calls them spreads, as jellies have to be tested for particular states of jell. She has a commercial kitchen, uses a water bath canner, and has worked with her health inspector to make sure she is in compliance.

**Motion: Approve her spreads (Teresa/Sue) All in favor 8-0-0**

Mark Storms: Mark’s Caramel and Caramel Corn: Nut Brittles, Caramel Corn: Mark makes his products in a commercial kitchen and has all of his licenses and insurance in order (will email them in.) He has developed the recipes from traditional ones and has been working on perfecting them for about eight years. He uses a big copper kettle in the traditional way. He will need to attend the HM orientation to sell at HM.

**Motion: Accept the brittles (Teresa/Sue) 8-0-0 All in favor 8-0-0**

Popcorn has generally been considered a “carnival food,” particularly the kettle-type that is pre-popped, and is prohibited in the guidelines. The booth that sells popcorn at LCFM is run by a farmer who grows the corn and pops it on site for a handmade product. It is still messy, which has traditionally been one of the concerns about popcorn at the Market.

**Motion: Accept the popcorn (Teresa/Sue) 2-4-2 Motion fails. Items not approved.**

**Items from drawer: Faerie Lotion and Glitter Gloss** by Brooke Thompson of Goddess Potions. She needs contact information on the labels. Approved.

**Sue Riggs: The Hat Place: Knitted Items** approved.

**Cat Lovers Calendar:** no person is identified on the calendar as the maker, and the photos are not original to the maker. She compiles the information and has the calendar commercially printed. Other artists either use original photos and writing or do some of the assembly themselves.

**Motion: Approve the cat calendar (Teresa/Alan) 0-8-0 Motion failed; item not approved.**

**Carryover Screenings: Melanie Mercer:** She was approved for fine silver jewelry but one item was pulled out as questionable for hand-crafted components. It was a pendant with a small glass bulb, all commercial components, but the bulb was filled with tiny stones, plant materials, etc.

**Motion: Accept the pendant (Teresa/Eli) 4-4-0 Tie; motion fails.**

Discussion: the artist does arrange the materials, and other people sell larger terrariums without other handmade contribution except arranging the materials. Her other products are high value, so this might be her low-cost item that makes her day possible.

**Motion: Approve the terrarium pendant (Teresa/Alan) 5-2-1 Motion passes, item approved.**
Rosalind Brown: Mega Productions: She was checking in again with her sweet potato pie. She has applied for her food handler’s card and has her kitchen license. She wants the products approved before she purchases insurance. The labels need the allergen warning.

***Motion: Approve the sweet potato pie pending paperwork (Alex/Sue) All in favor 8-0-0

Minutes Approval: Minutes of September 21, 2016.

***Motion: Accept the minutes (Alex/Alan) All in favor 8-0-0

The Board did not approve the business partnership policy so it will be reconsidered on the 2017 Standards agenda.

Administrative Report: The only Notice of Concern was about a parking issue, and there was an envelope report of someone leaving early. The rule requiring a sign about age restrictions for pipe sellers has had mixed compliance. Market could provide a sign and make sure they display it. The guideline recommendation about a sign didn’t make it into the handbook yet but the online version should list it. Kimberly will check on that.

***Motion: Approve the Administrative report (Teresa/Sue) All in favor 8-0-0

November Meeting: A meeting was set for Wednesday November 30th if needed.

All Saturday Market Orientations are finished; there will be two more HM Orientations, 6:00 pm on Oct. 26th, and 3:30 pm on November 2nd.

January Schedule: to be determined.

Agenda Items for 2017: Guideline for advising members who have not sold for some number of years that they need to attend an orientation or rescreen; Partnerships.

Meeting Evaluation: Got a lot done.

***Motion: Adjourn (Alex/Alan) All in favor 8-0-0