Standards Committee Meeting Minutes

August 16, 2017

Attendance: Alan Pointer (Chair), Teresa Pitzer, Sue Theolass, Jaimee Gentile  Absent: Shelia Pointer, Kim Allen, Jeff Allen, Alex Lanham

Staff: Kirsten Bolton, Courtney Kauffman  Recorder: Diane McWhorter

Guests: Colleen Bauman, Johnny Saldaña, Tym Mazet

Introductions and Announcements: Colleen Bauman intends to join; Tym Mazet intends to join. Both are attending their first meeting for this purpose. Their member training will be held next week.

Agenda Review: The screening dates at the bottom of the agenda were corrected to read September 6th and 20th.

***Motion: Approve the agenda (Teresa/Sue) 4-0-0

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.

Prepackaged Foods: Johnny Saldaña, Bigfoot Fudge Factory: Fudge in several flavors. He does not have a licensed commercial kitchen at this time, reviewed his products in preparation to his submission of them at the next screening. He had his food handler’s card and Proof of Insurance. He spoke about his product, which was made from an ingredient mix he purchased and added flavorings to.

Discussion: Commercial bases are not allowed in body care products and would not be allowed in foods either, on the grounds that the commercial component would outweigh the artistic contribution. A straw poll showed that no one wanted to require him to return next month with his kitchen license for a food product that would not meet the Saturday Market guidelines. He will be encouraged to apply when he has a product he makes himself.

Carryover Screenings: Constance Flynn: Services: Tarot Reader (Has been approved for other products)

***Motion: Accept the Tarot Readings (Teresa/ Jaimee) 4-0-0

Pressing Member Issues: none

Minutes Approval:

***Motion: Approve the minutes of the July 19, 2017 meeting (Sue/ Jaimee) 4-0-0


1. Macramé Necklaces with large carved pendants: commercial component outweighs member contribution; commercial component not significantly altered by the artist. They were
previously reviewed and the artist stated that she did the macramé. She will be asked to bring some partially finished work and supplies to let the committee see her process. A Notice to Appear was issued.

2. A Notice of Concern was filled out with multiple complaints concerning buskers. Those were: 1. Busking in spaces not on the map; 2. Buskers not observing time limits; 3. Rotation rules not followed; 4. Some instruments are inappropriate for busking; 5. Some content is not family-friendly; 6. They should be sent to the FSP. Most of these complaints are addressed in the flyer that is available at the Info Booth giving guidelines for successful busking.

This item is on the agenda so discussion was deferred to New Business.

***Motion: Accept the Admin report (Teresa/Sue) 4-0-0

Old Business: None

New Business: Busker Registration: Some buskers were asked how they would feel about registering at the Info Booth. They reportedly said they wouldn’t mind signing an agreement that they read the guidelines flyer, getting a sticker (they preferred not to wear it), but that they generally liked the rules and the mapped locations for busking. They reported that they enjoyed the freedom of Saturday Market compared to the more regulated spots at LCFM. Most complaints seem to be about duration of the set. One advantage of registration would be that the Market could give referrals from the registered list if asked. The sticker could promote SM when applied to a guitar case or other surface. Regulation would add work for staff and since the buskers are not members, this would be paid for by those who are members. There would be no real recourse if they didn’t want to register; they wouldn’t be told to leave. The registration process could take minimal time and the opportunity to make sure they got the flyer and expectations would be the benefit. The 30-minute limit makes many entertainers bearable if they don’t please particular neighbors. Occasionally there are groups of singers that are not particularly objectionable in small doses, and are generally respectful, even though they stretch the guidelines. The number of buskers is usually manageable except around other events such as the OCF when many people are in town. Members can always call security to handle the situation if they are reluctant. A mention in the newsletter would be helpful.

There are numerous flyers put together to relay SM expectations. Petitioners can also bring problems.

The process in making decisions that affect groups of individuals is generally to invite as many of them as possible to the discussion to get many perspectives. Discussion is usually held over the course of several meetings before a final policy recommendation is made. Generally changes are set to begin in the following season, rather than beginning immediately.

The issue will be extended to Old Business in next month’s meeting.

***Motion: Adjourn (Teresa/Sue) 5:50 pm