Standards Committee Meeting August 21, 2024

In Attendance: Don Parker, Chuck Roehrich, Mike Baldree, Willy Gibboney, Candice Westberg (Co-Chair), Anna Lawrence (Co-Chair)

Prospective Members: Shellana Moeller (2nd meeting), Ram Shucart (1st meeting)

Absent: Doug Robertson

Staff: Shannon Lee-Hutson, GM, Veronica Gutierrez, AM, Sonia Ostendorf

Note Taker: Anna Lawrence

Announcements and Introductions:

No one has stepped forward to be the note taker so Candice announced that all names will be put into a hat and the name pulled will be the note taker. Anna will not be at the September meeting and Candice who will chair the meeting is not able to take notes and run the meeting.

After tonight's meeting Shellana will have completed her second meeting and Ram completed his first meeting. Doug missed this meeting and has to start over. Any interested member that wants to be on the Standards Committee needs to attend 3 consecutive committee meetings before they can screen new products and have a vote.

Pressing Member Concerns:

The toffee maker is now selling ice cream bars and toffee popcorn. The NOC was concerned about the guidelines of no refrigeration (as there has not been electricity available for members in need) for pre-packaged foods. The member has a bank of batteries and an inverter, so they remain independent from the need for electricity.

*Motion: The member can sell her ice cream bars because she has her own electricity supply. Anna/Willy 6-0-0

This member was also selling Toffee Popcorn. The guidelines state that no "carnival food" can be sold. Popcorn is one of the specific foods listed under carnival type foods.

*Motion: Toffee Popcorn can be sold at Saturday Market. Anna /Willy 1-5-0

A member is selling strands of hair tinsel only.

*Motion: The member will be given a notice to appear so they can fully explain their product on September 18, 2024. She can sell her tinsel extensions until she appears at the Sept. 18th meeting. Anna/Willy 6-0-0

A member is making "crocheted" bags by the Finger Knitting Process. These bags have been found online and the product has not been brought to Standards for approval.

*Motion: The member will be given notice to appear September 18, 2024, in front of the full committee and may not sell this product until she appears. Anna/Mike 6-0-0

A Notice of Concern about a wood worker who is playing his guitar in his booth. He is being asked not to perform in his booth.

*Motion to Approve Amended Agenda for 8-21-24

Amendment: Add Food Handlers Card to Annual Work Plan for September. Mike/Don 6-0-0

*Motion to Approve Amended Minutes- July 31, '24:

Amendments: Add Don Parkers name to attending committee members. Correct the spelling of Veronica Guitterez to Gutierrez. Chuck/Willy 6-0-0

Old Business:

Food Court Standards and Guidelines- editing.

*Motion: The Standards Committee recommends to the BOD that the absence fee for FC booths be increased from \$25.00. Anna/Mike 6-0-0

Adding to page 6, under #8, amend first paragraph-

*Motion: All Food Booths must have a copy of their business license on file at the Saturday Market office. Anna/Don 6-0-0

Adding to page 9,

#8- Hawking your product is not allowed outside of the booth.

#9- The market discourages the use of Trans Fats. Food vendors are encouraged to look for alternatives. (Added a period after Fats.)

#11- The Saturday Market asks that all food vendors utilize use products that can be composted.

*Motion: Standards Committee recommends to BOD that all Food Court Booths and all Pre-Packaged Food Craft members return to using sustainable packaging and utensils as of April 2025. Anna/Mike 6-0-0

We concluded discussion of the Food Court Guidelines for this meeting on page 9.

New Business:

Pipes: September's discussion under the Annual Work Plan.

Don explained his dislike of pipes and headies. He distinguished between a competent pipe maker making headies worth thousands of dollars is considered Art. But a glass blower that makes spoons or bongs turned out on a glass lathe, is not art. We need an experienced glass person on Standards to know the difference between the two. This will be winnowed by Notices of Concern.

A reminder: that the members selling pipes and paraphernalia need to be reminded that those items need a sign stating the buyer needs to be 21 years of age.

Mike reminded us that we are not a juried market, rather an entry level market, and that we do not judge art.

Standards Committee Handbook: Candice is undertaking the task of compiling information in a handbook to assist those new committee members and current members to the rules of the road for joining the Standards Committee since none exists currently. Included in this handbook will be how to join this committee, what requirements are needed before one can vote or screen new products. We need to get all the knowledge into a handbook. To be continued...

Food Handler's Card: To be discussed at the September Committee meeting. Teresa Pitzer has been giving Candice a lot of information about historical information that needs to be maintained at present. Standards has overseen making Food Court decisions for years. The State rule is that only one person per food booth needs to have a health card. The Market can have more stringent rules than the County or the State.

Annual Work Plan:

September: Food Handlers Card October: Committee Potluck

November: ??

*Motion to Adjourn: Anna/Don 6-0-0