

March 16, 2014
PSNM Members Meeting
Hosted at Tabor Village
Site: Gloria Moorhouse

In Attendance:

Stephanie Ovsenek, Daphne Spears, Angela Ross-Fehr,
Tiffany Tan, Corrine Burns, Maria Chelini

Corporate Members: Audrey Wolf & Michael Fortin from GFS

Guest Speaker: Tony Szemeledi from Russell/Hendrix Food Equipment

Tony Szemeledi gave us a brief history of Russell Food Equipment. Russell's started as a Sheet Metal Company and has been owned and operated by a BC Family for the past 77 years. Recently purchased by Group Point which is a US Investment Company that has recently acquired Hendrix Food Equipment. Now combining the name to Russell/Hendrix. Hendrix's Head Office is out of Ontario and they will be soon building a Distribution site out in the Fraser Valley, which will make for next day deliveries. Did you know that they are #8 in their Industry? This merger has created a Fully Operation, Fully Integrated National Company, which in turn will create a better buying opportunity for their Customers. They are one stop shopping, offering to their Customers all services, from purchasing to repair and with two new Reps hired in the Valley to better serve Customers.

Stephanie thanked Members for taking time out of their busy schedules to meet this evening.

Stephanie discussed:

1. The PSNM is back to being a Registered Society
2. Last November the Societies Act changed and the PSNM is in line with following through on their requirements.
3. Bylaws that were passed in 2011 needed to be registered, therefore, what is currently registered is from 1986. Bylaw changes will be voted upon at our upcoming AGM and then will be registered as our current bylaws.
4. Changes to our Bylaws have been noted as:
 - There is no current criteria for schooling and
 - We need to include that one must be an active CSNM Member to be a PSNM Member.
5. When Maria sends out the Agenda for our April AGM she will send out the Bylaws that will be amended.

6. We will be receiving 5 Continuing Education Points at our AGM. The Speaker line up includes the Licensing Dietician from Fraser Health, Daniel Fontaine from the BC Care Providers and Terry Downton from the Employers Advisors.
7. The Vendor Showcase will be hosted by Willie Woo of Nestles. He has planned a fabulous Breakfast and Lunch for us all.
8. The cost for each Member will be \$25.00 for the AGM
9. Stephanie will be working on a grant submission to the CSNM to drive Membership and Marketing for the PSNM, like the Ontario Society has done. We will be adopting their lead.
10. Maria discussed the role out of the new website that is currently being worked on and will invite the designer to the AGM. Members discussed how the website should have a "Members Only" Tab which will allow members to access more information. The Home Page should intrigue those who visits the site and explain the "Value of being a PSNM Member, Upcoming Events & Who we are as a Society".
11. It was discussed what the Value of being a Member is and we hope to offer more Value through our new website with current information, Networking Possibilities with other Health Authorities, including offering an opportunity for them to join our AGM through a webcast/webinar, and also offering up to date Resources and Vendor Information that can assist us in our Profession.
12. PSNM is working on contacting the 465 CSNM Members currently in BC
13. It was discussed asking the CSNM to mention our PSNM AGM in April on the CSNM Website.
14. Stephanie briefly discussed the National Restructuring Summit taking place in Ottawa at the CSNM June Convention and that Daphne, Stephanie and Maria have been invited to attend.
15. Business cards will be made for Members with our website address on it so they can be passed out to potential new Members. Maria will ask the web designer to order these with the SQ code on them.
16. Stephanie discussed the OSNM Vision that would see all CSNM Members paying \$175.00 for their CSNM Membership and an automatic \$25.00 dollars (making it a total of \$200.00) for Local Chapter Membership.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:30pm
Maria Chelini
PSNM Secretary