

Alberta Seed Processors

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65th ANNUAL MEETING

Join us to "Celebrate Our Bright Future & Proud Past"

January 17, 18, & 19, 2018 - WESTIN HOTEL - EDMONTON, ALBERTA

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS (Subject to change)

Wednesday, January 17th

8am -12pm Manager's meeting

1 – 4_{pm} Business Development Training

4 – 7pm AGM Registration

7-12_{pm} Welcome Reception & Entertainment

Select- A- Session: Safety Management

Board Development

Thursday, January 18th

8 - 4 Business Meeting, including round table discussions

8 - 4 Ladies Program

4 - 5 Regional Elections for Regions 1 & 2

6-12 Banquet & Entertainment

Friday, January 19th

8 - Noon Business Meeting11:00 am Keynote SpeakerNoon Wind up Luncheon

Key Dates:

EARLY NOVEMBER: Registration Packages Available with Further Agenda Details & registration form

Hotel Reservations Available.

DECEMBER 15: Deadline to submit resolutions

(Email monica.klaas@cleanseed.net or call 403 489 9999 for resolution form)

Deadline to reserve hotel rooms at group rate of \$155.00 (parking not included)

Westin Hotel Reservations: 1.800.937.8461. (Specify Seed Processors Group Rate)

Deadline for early registration fee of \$300.00

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Wednesday Workshops:

New: 2 concurrent workshops will be offered:

Both scheduled at 1-4 pm January 17th. (When registering, please select one workshop to attend)

Safety Management: Ag Safe Alberta will be delivering two modules on Hazard Assessment & Emergency Response Plans. Material will be broad in scope to be applied to either a farm or a seed plant situation. Participants will gain knowledge on how safety management is a continuous project, and how to make some tasks less daunting. **Who should attend:** Managers, Staff, and Directors.

Board Development: Experienced global board development specialist will deliver training on Board Governance 101. Many people volunteer for positions on boards, community organizations, or sports teams, with good intent, but poor skill sets relating to good governance, and communication. This workshop is intended to cover the basic roles and responsibilities of non-profit board/organization governance.

Who should attend: New or prospective board members, chairmen, or executive.

Guest Speaker: Chris Chivalo President, CEO: WA Grain

Chris grew up on PEI and started working summers for the PEI Grain Elevator Corp when he was 13. His business training can be credited to a 13 year tenure with Cargill and 5 years with UGG. His first foray into the pulse business was with Green Drop in Crossfield. This inspired Chris and his wife Tracey to start a pulse trading company in 2007. The business has since grown to 70 employees, 7 owned facilities and 22 third party shipping locations. Expansions this year include a pet food ingredients facility in Bowden, a \$7 million grain and pulse facility on Prince Edward Island, and a malt house complete with brewery and tap house, in Strathmore. WA Grain's sister company, New Leaf Essentials, has also entered the organic commodity trading arena this past year. A pulse fractioning plant is still in the works. Chris also credits much success with working with several members of Alberta Seed Processors over the past 10 years.

Chris's hobbies are reading in order to get answers, taking care of the acreage and enjoying PEI summers. His personal goal is to understand everything. Chris's wife Tracey's personal goal is to keep Chris out of politics! His favorite phrase is "nothing is impossible, it just takes longer".



Key Note Speaker: Kristen Cumming EMBRACING CHANGE



Kristen Cumming offers over 20 years' experience in career development and human resources, complemented by a passion for demography. She holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics and a Master of Education degree in Workplace and Adult Learning. Kristen was an instructor with the University of Alberta – Augustana Campus for eight years and for the past 20 has operated a successful consulting practice through which she serves as a speaker, facilitator and trainer on recruitment and retention, leadership and execution.

"Work has fascinated me as long as I can remember. Everything about it intrigues me: the nature of work, the occupations people choose, the role work plays in the contexts of individuals, families, communities and economies.

. Over the last 20 years, I have worked with tens of thousands of individuals, hundreds of organizations and in dozens of communities. The theme that I have found in common is that no one wants their life's work to be squandered – each person wants to contribute and be valuable in some way. My career is focused on elevating people in the context of their work, and in doing that, supporting the stability, resiliency and performance of individuals, organizations and communities."

Ladies Program: New Format: Connect & Create. The ladies program scheduled from 10-3 on Thursday has been re-designed to bring all ladies together to get to know each other, and have an inspirational & creative day together. Space is limited.