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Our March Annual Meeting was held to formally announce the USDC 2015 officers!

The officers for the 2015 year are as follows: Chairman Laura Nordfelt, *Hands On Promotions*; President Jenifer Scoffield, *Orbital ATK*; Vice President Randi Ruff, *University of Utah*; Treasure & Recorder Gerald Tramposh, *ARUP*; Past Chair Alex Quayson-Sackey, *PTAC*; AIC Co Chair Laura Thackeray, *BRPI Mechanical*; and valued board members, Chuck Spence *PTAC*; Sandy Poll *Ogden City*; Nancy Orton *State of Utah*; Catherine Arik *Zions Bank*; Daniela Cherry *Intermountain Healthcare*; Erin Acuna *Triumph Gear Systems*; Jo Rudd *University of Utah*; and Marian Hein *Volunteer*.

A big Thank You to Catherine Arik, who made arrangements for our meeting to be held in the Founders room at Zions Bank. It was a fabulous setting to meet with old friends and renew our commitment to the spirit of the Utah Supplier Development Council. Sometimes I find myself so entrenched in the day to day activity of the business world, it is nice to re-focus on what being a member of USDC is really about. Whether you are a large business trying to find a great supplier to fulfill the obligations for your company, or an associate who is trying to find that next "connection" to do business with; we all have the same goal of working together to meet the requirements of our business. The friendships that we develop along the way are a bonus of working hard.

At our Annual Meeting it has long been tradition to have a motivational speaker, and this year we were not disappointed as Chris Redgrave of Zions Bank spoke with incredible high energy on the "The Power of Positivity"! It seemed like a simple subject to me at first, however, the insight Chris had in not only how to maintain our own positive attitude, but to understand the people around us was incredible.

In our business world we work with all sorts of people; younger and older, nice and ornery, lazy and busy, and fabulous and unpleasant. People are people and the better we understand them the better the relationship can be. It is each individual responsibility to decide what type of person *they* are going to be and what type of relationship *they* are going to have with each person. Yes - I have known this all my life, but what a great reminder! Chris spoke about the decision each of us have every day – a decision on whether to be happy and have a great day or to have a day that doesn't matter in the big scheme of things. I know that life seems way too short to let one day go by and not make it the best it can be!

USDC is dedicated to helping you succeed. I wish you and your business all the success this coming year!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jennifer Scoffield". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

USDC President 2015