

Natural Harvest Food Co-op Annual Owner Meeting

April 14, 2018, 4pm-7pm

Virginia Elks Club

Board Members present: Megan Thiele, Carrie Sell, Deb Meissner, Kim Anderson, Darrel Swenson

Board Members absent: Jake Rosandich, Troy Caddy

Social hour from 4-5pm with Music provided by Rob Wheeler

Welcome:

Board Vice President Darrel Swenson welcomed all owners and invited owners to eat dinner.

Call to order of Business Meeting:

VP Swenson called the business meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Last call to vote for the Board Member election.

He gave Proof of Notice of Meeting in the Spring Newsletter March 5, and online both Website and FaceBook.

1. 2017 Meeting Minutes

Briana Sterle made a motion to approve the 2017 Annual Meeting Minutes. Samantha Krage seconded. Motion carried on voice vote.

2. President's Report - notes attached

- Opening of store
- log building still for sale
- board attended trainings
- consistent membership growth
- store events

-9 board candidates

-Thank you to Anja and staff

3. General Manager's Report- notes available from Anja Parenteau

-4/26/17 new store opened. Only closed 3 days for move. Hired 10 new people in last month before move. Have gone from 25 to 37 staff positions. Project came in under budget and one month ahead of schedule.

-May Grand Opening attended by 450+ people

-Missed sales goal by \$250,000 in 2017. Saw 23% growth in customers, but smaller "cart size" meant slower than anticipated sales growth.

-Departments that had been limited by size of old store have shown good growth. (Deli, Refrigerated/Frozen, produce)

-Money paid to employees, along with purchases from 69 local producers is keeping \$240,000 circulating in our region.

"Change Within Reach" program led to donations totaling \$18,000 to 12 local organizations.

-Community footprint expanding, the Co-op hosted 10 events in the store, and participated in another 10 out in the community in the last year. Classroom space gets used by community groups an average of twice a week. Held 34 classes involving 450 people.

-Sustainability: energy efficient building, composting program, "bring your bag" has saved 18,000 bags, 200+ pounds of food going to Salvation Army, looking forward to installing solar panels when old building is sold and we meet sales goals.

4. Briana Sterle introduced speakers, Local Producers/Co-op suppliers:

◆ Janna Goerdt, Fat Chicken Farms

◆ Allie Austin, Birch Botanicals

◆ AJ Arntz, Dahl's Sunrise Dairy

5. A variety of drawing prizes were awarded.

6. Election Results

◆ - Announcement of the board election results by VP Swenson. Due to Jacob Rosandich resigning from the Board after the election ballots were printed, 5 board seats were open instead of 4.

_____ ballots submitted.

Elected to the Board: Julie Juntune, Anne Lantry, Shayna Ray, Pauli Rancourt, Emma Peterson

7. Owner questions: One owner asked what current membership total is. Anja answered. About 3X00 members, but only 2600 active.

8. Adjourn: Mel Moschler made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Lynn Strle. Motion carried on voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 6:26 PM.

Members Present:

1. **Judith Rae**
2. **Linda Hibbard**
3. **Marian Kauppi**
4. **James Nelson**
5. **Deb Meissner**
6. **Brenda Ryberg**
7. **Kristine Jonas**
8. **Debbie Hill**
9. **Vi Hill**
10. **Sharon Cup**
11. **Katherine Trampuseh**
12. **Carolyn Gentilini**
13. Carma Line
14. Zach Nault
15. Wendy Eddy
16. Maria Robertson
17. Lynn Sterle
18. Paul Stevens
19. Elaine Hayes
20. John Byers

21. Carol Booth
22. Jim Ganahl
23. Julie Juntune
24. Joseph Juntune
25. Steve Levchak
26. Erin Albrecht Levchak
27. Yvonne Shmidt
28. Mark Toot
29. William Renci
30. Dora Skerjance
31. Delores J Anderson
32. Amy Loiselle
33. Tim Wallace
34. Britt DelCaro
35. Dom DelCaro
36. Madeleine Emery
37. Loren Bergman
38. Sheila Bergman
39. Michael Huseby
40. Gloria Huseby
41. Darrel Swenson
42. Kim Anderson
43. Maria Hall
44. Baird Hall
45. Romero Hall
46. Catalina Hall
47. Mike Boyd
48. Judy Boyd
49. Jan Page

50. Lisa Hesse
51. Andy Datla
52. Ruth Hartz
53. Tiffany Briggs
54. Kohen Briggs
55. Gregory Bolfal
56. Bjorn Bolfal
57. Matt Krage
58. Sam Krage
59. Richard Freeburg
60. Doris Freeburg
61. Todd Roswold
62. Debby Bocnuk
63. Deb Monacelli
64. Paul Monocelli
65. Allison Austin
66. William Sell
67. Peter VanPatten
68. Kristen Dosan
69. Dan Dosan
70. Briana Sterle
71. Carrie Sell
72. Megan Thiele
73. Anne Jagunich
74. Melvin Moschler
75. Kathleen Jacklen
76. Emma Peterson
77. Joan Lewandowski
78. Chet Lewadowski

79. Janna Goerd

80. Klara DeVries

Still need to sign in: Anja, any other staff who are owners, any others???