

Natural Harvest Food Co-op
March Meeting Held Wednesday, March 22, 2023
Board of Directors Meeting
Held at Natural Harvest Classroom

Board Members Present: Stephen Levchak, Raini Knaeble-Weiss, Kyle Lynch, Nick Renollet, and Carly Antus-Wilk

Staff Members Present: Briana Sterle and Tyler Krenz

Guests: *Edie Carr, Christina Forsythe, and Allison Hill

Absent: Victoria Ranua, Jennifer Krenz, and Tera Nowicki

*Attended via Zoom

Call to Order - President Stephen Levchak called the meeting to order at 5:35PM. **Quorum** was reached at 6:17PM.

Consent Agenda Item

- 2/22/23 Board Meeting Minutes
- February New Owners/Cancellations
- C2 - The Board's Job
- D - Global Board/Management Connection

Nick Renollet motioned to accept the consent agenda items, Kyle Lynch seconded. the **motion** carried.

GM Reports

Membership Rights & Responsibilities - Postponed to the next meeting.

Monthly Sales Chart - A positive growth in sales of 9.92% was observed from February 2022 to February 2023. Additionally, Natural Harvest welcomed 7 new owners for the month of February.

Store Happenings - Department managers work to implement ideas and advice given by NCG. Also working to keep up with the positive upswing in sales for March as seen in February. Natural Harvest has begun to sell bread supplied by *Rose Cottage Baking Co.* based out of Cook MN.

New Business

Proposed Amendment to Articles of Incorporations - The Proposed Amendment to Articles of Incorporations will be put to a vote at the annual owners meeting. Said Articles entail expanding the total number of Class A shares to 10,000. If approved, a letter will be submitted to the Minnesota Secretary of State. Additionally, a discussion around the wording of the *Amended and Restated Articles of Natural Harvest Food Cooperative* regarding certain wording detailing the types of shares one can purchase.

Kyle Lynch motioned to accept the proposed Amendment to Articles of Incorporations, Raini Knaeble-Weiss seconded. the **motion** carried.

Microgrant Update/Planning - What the Microgrant is, was explained to guest board applicants. A total of \$1,705.15 was raised, Natural Harvest plans to donate a further \$94.85 so the total grant amount will reach a \$1,800.00 total. Applications for the Microgrant are to be accepted until May 1st.

Annual Meeting - Further discussion was had regarding the location and time of the Annual Meeting. The *Curl Mesabi/Range Recreation Civic Center* in Eveleth MN was chosen. Logistics of decoration discussed, along with the acquisition of the necessary amenities to host the event were also narrowed down.

Treasurer's Report

The treasurer was **absent**.

Committee Reports

GM Evaluation - No meeting was held.

Education Committee - Planning and orientation for new board members is to take place.

Perpetuation Committee - Individual committee members worked to perpetuate and incite interest in owners with the Annual Meeting.

Next Meeting Date

The next meeting will be **Wednesday, May 24th at 5:30PM** in the Natural Harvest classroom.

Adjourn

Raini Knaeble-Weiss made a **motion** to adjourn at 7:00 PM. Carly Antus-Wilk seconded it. The **motion** was approved, and the meeting was **adjourned**.

Respectfully submitted,

Tyler Krenz, Grocery Assistant and Owner