Skookum Food Provisioners' Cooperative Minutes of Annual General Meeting of May 5, 2015

In attendance

31 members, representing 26 memberships, were in attendance at the opening of the meeting. There were 194 memberships eligible to vote as of the record date of this meeting, so a quorum of 20 memberships, or 10%, was required. At no point during the meeting was there a lack of quorum.

1. Call meeting to order

Laura Berezan, Acting Chair of the Association, called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

2. Read notice of convening meeting

The Chair, with the consensus of the members present, waived the reading of the notice convening the general meeting.

3. Minutes of preceding annual general meeting

Secretary David Parkinson read the minutes of the AGM of May 13, 2014. Alison Taplay resolved that the minutes be accepted with two amendments in Section 4 ("Financial Statement"):

- to change "the fiscal year 2012-2013" to "the fiscal year 2013-2014"; and
- to change "a net income of -\$18.00" to "a net loss of \$18.00".

The motion passed by show of hands.

4. Financial Statement

Treasurer Edward Sanderson presented the financial statement for the fiscal year 2014-2015.

The Association had a gross income of \$31,544.00 and gross expenses of \$30,793.00 in the 2014-2015 fiscal year, for a net income of \$751.00. Total assets of the Association as of March 31, 2015 stood at \$15,638.00.

Edward noted that the Fall Fair cider-pressing resulted in the largest profit to the Association, followed by the two group orders from Rancho Vignola. He acknowledged the significant contribution of \$500 from First Credit Union that made it possible for the board to undertake strategic planning in November 2014.

Edward resolved that the Treasurer's report be accepted as presented. The motion passed by show of hands.

5. Report from directors

David Parkinson presented the Report from the Directors, reviewing the activities undertaken during the previous year. Along with various projects benefiting members, David drew special attention to the board's work on organizational development; among them:

- the completion of major sections of the Board Policy Manual;
- a strategic planning session facilitated by member Alison Taplay;
- another survey of members' interests and skills; and
- a new partnership with the Urban Homesteading School of Powell River.

Wendy Pelton, Coordinator of The Abundant Pantry Bulk-Buying Club, spoke about the accomplishments of this project during the past year. Laura Berezan spoke about the outcomes of the board's strategic planning session. Chris Matheson spoke about some of the findings of the members' survey.

David also thanked certain members for their service:

 Jacqueline Huddleston, for preparing the wonderful food served at the meeting as well as at other Skookum social events;

- Kevin Wilson, for providing web hosting services at a very reasonable rate and for timely service in emergencies; and
- Sharon and Peter Deane, for providing Skookum with a physical address at Kingfisher Books and a space for the Skookum resource library, and for offering members a place to pick up and drop off items.

David resolved that the report from the directors be accepted as read. The motion passed by show of hands.

6. Election of directors and appointment of auditors

6.1. Election of officers

Laura informed the membership that five positions on the seven-director board were available to be filled by election or acclamation. One of these was the second year of the term originally served by Tara Chernoff, who had to step down for personal reasons. In addition, four directors' terms were ending at this Annual General Meeting:

- the term served by Julia Downs for one year and then by Laura Berezan for the second year;
- the term served by Giovanni Spezzacatena for one year and then by Chris Matheson for the second year;
- the term served by David Parkinson, his fourth consecutive term and consequently his final term; and
- the term served by Pete Tebbutt.

Dan Glover and Edward Sanderson were continuing to serve out the second year of their terms.

Two members had indicated their willingness to stand for election: Jillian Amatt and Vanessa Sparrow.

Laura called for further nominations. Members Deanna Parsley and Barbara Trottier put their names forward. Hearing no further nominations, Laura declared Jillian Amatt, Dan Glover, Deanna Parsley, Edward Sanderson, Vanessa Sparrow, and Barbara Trottier to be acclaimed as directors.

6.2. Waive appointment of auditor

Laura presented the following special resolution: "Be it resolved that Skookum Food Provisioners' Association waive the appointment of an auditor for the current fiscal year." The motion passed by show of hands.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:01 PM.