

Skookum Food Provisioners' Cooperative

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of June 23, 2010

In attendance

Twenty members eligible to vote at this general meeting were present. (See Appendix A for a list.)

The total number of members eligible to vote at the time of this general meeting was twenty-eight. Quorum was therefore three members (at least 10% of the number of members eligible to vote). At no point during the meeting was there a lack of quorum.

Julie Thorne was Acting Secretary by appointment of the board for this meeting.

1. Call meeting to order

David Parkinson, Chair of the Association, called the meeting to order at 7:07 PM.

David explained the contents of the package that each member received who was eligible to vote at this meeting:

- a share certificate;
- ballot for voting;
- agenda (including text of the special resolution to permit notification by email);
- financial statement;
- notice of Special General Meeting for the purpose of introducing a special resolution to waive the appointment of an auditor for the current financial year;
- Report from the Directors.

2. Read notice convening meeting

David read the notice convening the general meeting.

3. Financial statement

Sharon Deane, Treasurer, read out and explained the financial statement of the Association as of June 11, 2010 (see attached). Current balance as of that date was \$691.56.

David noted that the Treasurer's Report as presented did not show the Association's purchase of a cider press. The new board will figure out how to reimburse David and Giovanni for advancing money for the press.

4. Report from the directors

David presented the Report from the Directors and answered questions.

5. Election of directors and appointment of auditors

5.1. Election of directors

David explained the terms of office for directors, including the term limits imposed on directors and officers, and then asked for nominations from the floor. Theresa Vautour asked David to clarify the duties and responsibilities of directors.

The following members were nominated as follows:

- Nola Poirier nominated David Parkinson; David accepted the nomination;
- Corey Matsumoto nominated Nola Poirier; Nola accepted the nomination;
- Giovanni Spezzacatena nominated Jan Burnikell; Jan accepted the nomination;
- Pam Brown (Brownie) nominated Giovanni Spezzacatena; Giovanni accepted the nomination;
- David Parkinson nominated Jonathan van Wiltenburg; Jonathan accepted the nomination;
- Jan Burnikell nominated Sharon Deane; Sharon accepted the nomination;
- Nola Poirier nominated Julie Thorne; Julie accepted the nomination.

As there were seven members nominated for seven directorships, these seven candidates were declared elected and no election was required.

5.2. Waive appointment of auditor: Notice of Special General Meeting

David explained that due to an oversight the board omitted to send out a special resolution to waive the appointment of an auditor for the current financial year (April 1, 2010 to March 31, 2011). Because waiving the auditor requires a special resolution, the Association must call another Special General Meeting. This meeting is to be held at the Unitarian Hall in Powell River on Tuesday July 13 at 6:45 PM, preceding Harry Burton's presentation.

All members who attended this Annual General Meeting received notice of this meeting in their meeting packet. All other members who will be eligible to vote at the Special General Meeting will be notified by mail.

6. Special business

6.1. Special resolution to permit notification by email

David read and explained the special resolution to permit notification of general meetings by email, which requires amendment of Rules 157, 158, and 159.

The resolution was passed by show of hands.

6.2. Resolution on number of directors

The members voted on the resolution that the number of directors of the Association be seven (7), as this was never determined and minuted by the membership.

The resolution was passed by show of hands.

7. New business/roundtable

The members engaged in a roundtable conversation about possible projects and workshops. (See Appendix B for details.)

Appendix A: Members in attendance

The following twenty members eligible to vote at this general meeting were present:

- Adema, Jenna
- Bookout, Barry
- Brooks-Thoma, Mischa
- Brown, Pam
- Burnikell, Jan
- Deane, Sharon
- Dovauo, Aaron
- DuBois, Michael
- Huddleston, Jacqueline
- Innes, Rin
- Matsumoto, Corey
- McLaren, Barry & Karen Munro (joint membership)
- Mitchinson, Martin
- Parkinson, David
- Poirier, Nola
- Simmonds, Maureen
- Spezzacatena, Giovanni
- Thorne, Julie
- van Wiltenburg, Jonathan
- Vautour, Theresa

Appendix B: Projects and workshops

During the roundtable conversation, members discussed the following projects and workshops:

- dehydrators, solar and otherwise;
- members' loans of equipment to the cooperative;
- guidelines for use of shared equipment;
- workshop on tool repair and maintenance;
- community bookshelf; shared library of resources;
- community composting;
- pooling and sharing labour in an equitable way;
- guidelines and criteria for choosing projects;
- use of the members-only listserv;
- bulk purchase of hay and fruit trees;
- concerns about impinging on local businesses;
- project to start mushroom logs;
- broadleaf maple syrup;
- connecting with local producers to buy in bulk from them and support these businesses;
- older members of the community as a resource and market for local food.