

## Board Meeting Minutes November 9, 2016 APPROVED

**Present**: Gwyneth Bowman, Joanie Kintscher, Gary Einhorn, Julie O'Dwyer, Ed Claassen, Charlie Douglass. **Others present**: Emile Amarotico, General Manager; Abby Lazerow, Board Administrator. **Attending via conference phone**: Jeff Golden.

Facilitator: Charlie Douglass; Timekeeper: Joanie Kintscher.

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	ITEM DESCRIPTION	DISCUSSION	ACTION
1.	Positive Affirmation	Ed Claassen led the positive affirmation.	
2.	Agenda Review	Done.	
3.	Consent Agenda	<ul> <li>The following Consent Agenda documents were approved:</li> <li>October 12, 2016 Board Meeting Minutes</li> <li>October 12, 2016 Executive Session Minutes</li> <li>Board Finance Report, November 2016</li> <li>Board Meeting Procedures, 11-2016</li> <li>Board of Directors Job Description: The Role, Responsibilities and Qualifications of Board Directors, 11-2016</li> <li>Board of Directors Contact List, 2016</li> <li>Current Board and Terms of Office. 2016</li> <li>Additional Compensation for Board Directors, 2016</li> <li>BDC Manual, Revised July 2016</li> <li>BDC Charter, Revised July 2016</li> </ul>	The Board unanimously approved the Consent Agenda.
4.	Board Assistance for Holiday Grocery Bagging	<ul> <li>Board Directors were asked to volunteer to bag groceries on November 22 for the Thanksgiving holiday. The Outreach Chair will send out a sign-up list to the Board.</li> </ul>	



5.	Board Representative, Strategic Planning Steering Committee	<ul> <li>Two Directors recently resigned from the Strategic Planning Steering Committee. Charlie Douglass agreed to join the Committee.</li> <li>The SPSC meeting is the first Tuesday of the month at 3:30 p.m.</li> </ul>	The Board unanimously approved Charlie as a member of the SPSC.
6.	Report on GM Goals to Date	<ul> <li>The GM is in the process of researching the store manager position to compile a proposal to the Board.</li> <li>The customer experience initiative is moving along well, with the goal of launching a cohesive program and identifying key ideas to implement.</li> <li>Negotiation of health care benefits is on target.</li> <li>Strategic planning initiatives are on track. An all-team meeting with the Board, MT and champions will be held on January 18, 2017.</li> </ul>	
7.	Break		
8.	Preliminary 2017 Operating Budget	<ul> <li>The Finance Committee went through the Board budget and developed a draft for 2017. The budget was increased by 1.4%.</li> <li>The training budget was increased. The amount allocated for consultants was the same as the previous year. Facilitators will also be kept in the budget in case they are required.</li> <li>The budget calculation for computers allows for new computers every three years.</li> <li>Funds may be needed for holding another strategic planning meeting in the upcoming year. One initiative is close to being accomplished. Another may be integrated with operations.</li> <li>Funds may be needed to allow a manager and a Director to research other co-ops to learn about food production or cooperative endeavors.</li> <li>The Board requested the Board Administrator receive a meal card.</li> <li>The Board unanimously agreed to approve the Board budget.</li> </ul>	The Board unanimously agreed to approve the Board budget.
9.	GM Report	Safeway will be opening at the end of the first or second quarter of	



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		<ul> <li>2017.</li> <li>The CXI project is improving. The recent store audit was very rich. The ideas have been put in a database and high-priority items are being identified.</li> <li>Work with Resolve and the Grange Co-op to create a restorative response for juvenile shoplifters has been very fruitful. The Juvenile Justice Department will assign a person who can respond when incidents occur. Resolve will charge the shoplifter for their services and fines can go towards this program.</li> <li>The Co-op has a principal balance of \$68,000 from the Twin Pines organization, earning \$3000 in interest income. This money can be distributed to encourage the development of cooperative enterprises, such as the Rogue Co-ops, and matched by Twin Pines. Fees for the annual picnic also go to the Twin Pines fund.</li> </ul>	
10.	AFCEA Proposal	The AFCEA Proposal was moved to Executive Session.	
11.	Board Holiday Party	<ul> <li>The Board holiday dinner will be held at Julie's house. The Deli will cater the main courses and Directors will bring side dishes.</li> </ul>	
12.	Owner Forum	<ul> <li>Owners Al Karger, Sharon Van Duker, Mike Kirkwood and Olivia Doty attended the meeting.</li> <li>Al Karger wanted to know how the parking ambassador was working out. Al also suggested offering special coupons in the Mail Tribune to be used towards Co-op purchases as a way of attracting new patrons or new members.</li> </ul>	

The meeting was adjourned at 6:53 p.m.