

Oshkosh Food Co-op Annual Meeting

Date:05/25/22

Time: 5:00 pm

Location: Oshkosh Food Co-op Community Room and Tenant Space

Minutes Recorded by: Molly Smiltneek

Board Member Attendance			
Brenda Haines x	Warren Bergman x	Belynda Pinkston	Heidi Supple x
Molly Smiltneek x	Susan Vette x	Vacant	Heather Seraphine (Adjunct) x
Melissa Weyland	Jay Stoflet x		
Member-Owners Recorded in Attendance			
Paul Van Auken	Joe & Mary Wiedenmeier	Samara Hamze	Maureen Muldoon
Mary Beth Petesch	Tyler Klaver	Dorothy Zerbe	Rebecca Spulock-Nonweiler
Gregory Kypiszynski	Roberta & Miles Maguire	Heidi Supple	Misty McPhee
Soren Hauge	Betty & Sam Adams	Patsy Gavin	Andrew Leavitt
Tracy Vinz	Lori Redmond	Chris Arnold	Sherry Katzenberger
Jane Purse Wiedenhoeft	Christopher COrbin	Jack Stubbs	Laura Deming
Ellen Harwell	Anjani Mehta	Laura Klompier	Susan Vette
Tracy Luchetta	Cynthia Thorpe & Dennis Kavanaugh	Warren Bergmann	Erica Dabrowski
Sue Neitzel & Bill Zimar	Margy & Mike Davey	Molly & Eric Smiltneek	Mary Olsen
Dennis Kavanaugh	Cheryl Hansen	Sue Tatum	Pamela Elmer
Phillips Munter	Gary Yakes	Stu Bailey	Heather & Michael Seraphine
Carmen & Gary Scott	Paul & Peg Larson	Brenda Haines & Alex Hummel	Mary Ann Offer
John Vette	Jennifer Skolaski	Laura & Daniel Fiser	Billy Knudsen
Sam Larson & Bobbi Merten	Larry Didlo	Sandra Yakes	Margot Brand
Marijke van Roojen	Ashley Schneider	Pravin Mansukhani	Jessica King
Jay Stoflet			

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Topic	Facilitated by	Discussion	Actions
Call Meeting To Order	Brenda	Brenda called the meeting to order at 5:09 pm	
Introductions	Brenda	Brenda introduced and thanked Board Members, Committee Members, Staff and all volunteers.	
Establishment of Quorum	Brenda and Molly	Molly indicated that there are at least representatives of 58 membership number present, sufficient to establish a quorum pursuant Oshkosh Food Co-op Bylaws	
Introduction of Candidates	Brenda	<p>Brenda introduces the OFC members who were candidates for the Board of Directors election and thanks them for stepping forward:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chris Corbin• Jessica King• Belynda Pinkston• Ashley Reider• Heather Seraphine• Andrew C. Smith <p>She then asked for a formal motion to close the election. Results will be announced at the end of the meeting.</p>	Jessica King moves for closure of the Board of Directors Election. Tracy Vinz seconds. Motion passes

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Approval of 2021 Annual Meeting Minutes	Brenda	Brenda indicated paper copies of the 2021 Annual Meeting Minutes had been provided and asked for any questions. No questions were asked.	Sam Larson moves to approve the minutes of the 2021 Annual Meeting. Misty McPhee seconds. Motion passes.
Bylaws Amendments	Molly	<p>Molly summarized the main reasons for the recommended bylaws changes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• In general due to changes in the Co-op's circumstances and advancements in technology and electronic communication, particularly in light of COVID.• Due to being an open store, the board felt it appropriate to provide additional details related to membership, including how it can be obtained or relinquished.• Advancements in online communications over the years and in an attempt to be good stewards of the environment and	Motion to approve bylaws amendment by Gary Yakes, Seconded by Erica Dabrowski. Motion to amend language within Art. I Sec. 6 by Misty McPhee, seconded by Erika Dambrowski. Motion to amend language approved. Motion to approved amended bylaws

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		<p>the Co-op's resources, included details and clarifications related to the use of email as official notifications and to allow online voting.</p> <p>Member Ellen Harwell asked about terminating membership due to lack of patronage and Molly explained that yes, members would be notified of potential termination of membership and that this was a softening of our previous language. But it is intended to help ensure members who are patronizing the store are those who receive the benefits.</p> <p>After motion to approve was made, member Marikje van Roojen indicated that the language suggested to be changed in Article I, Sec. 6 further perpetuates power imbalance in some relationships and may further marginalize victims with its presumptive disposition in the event that a household dissolves.</p> <p>After discussion, a friendly amendment to the motion to approve was made to change the language in Article I, Sec. 6 to read:</p> <p><i>Two persons sharing a household may share a membership account jointly. The individuals shall be listed as "Voting Member"</i></p>	<p>amendment passes.</p>
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		<i>and "Non-Voting Member" in cooperative records. Each shall be entitled to receive a membership card with their name and member number on it. Each membership account shall receive only one vote on any matters being voted upon by Cooperative member-owners. In the event the household dissolves, the person listed as "voting member" in Cooperative records shall maintain ownership of the membership unless either party petitions the Co-op for an alternative disposition of the membership.</i>	
2021 Financial Reports	Heidi	<p>Heidi summarized the 2021 Financial Reports reviewing total income and total expenses as well as net operating loss v. anticipated net operating loss.</p> <p>Questions asked related to landlord allowance, how actual opening loss varied from what was expected, what reporting will look like going forward.</p>	Mark Ahren moves to approve 2021 Financials, Sue Tatum seconds. Motion passes.
State of the Co-op	Brenda	Brenda led a presentation of the accomplishments of the past year and the financial outlook. She impressed upon the members	

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		present the need to increase sales. They can do that by spending \$10 more each time they shop the store and by bringing others into the store with them. She then encouraged members present to make their commitment.	
Announcement of Elected Directors	Brenda	<p>Brenda announced that the members elected to serve on the Board of Directors were</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jessica King• Belynda Pinkston• Chris Corbin• Heather Seraphine <p>Thank you to all who threw your hat in the ring and congrats to the new Directors!</p>	
Adjournment	Brenda	Meeting was adjourned at approx. 6:36 pm	

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