

Agenda

Fiddleheads Food Co-op Board of Directors
CCi, Inc., 190 Broad St., New London
7 - 9 pm, May 6, 2008

call to order - Dick

quorum (at least 5 people) -

read Mission Statement: The mission of this Co-op is to inspire the community through a member-owned business providing natural foods and alternatives for a healthy lifestyle and to foster environmental awareness as well as nurture our local economy.

agenda: changes and approval - Dick
corrections/approval of April 29th minutes - Ellen
Member comment time (30 minute limit)

Secretary's report - Ellen
Treasurer's/Finance Report on last meeting of the month

Old Business:
President's Report
New Business:

Committee Reports and business:
The Store: Increase spending limit to \$500 per week?
The Markets
Site and Facilities
Membership
Bylaws
Policy Advisement
Newsletter
Fundraising
Capital Campaign and Member Loans: Laura Cordes
GM Search
Vendor
Volunteer Coordinator
Website upkeep

Next meeting time and place: next Tuesday, 7 pm, CCi.
closed session?
reopen, if necessary
adjourn.

Minutes

Fiddleheads Food Co-op Board of Directors
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7:05 – 9:05 pm, May 6, 2008

call to order - Dick

Directors present: Ellen Anthony, Secretary; Bob Bunting; Ed DeMuzzio, Vice-president; Sheila Herbert; Allen Longendyke; Nancy Potter; Richard Spindler-Virgin, President; Jim Stidfole

Ellen read Mission Statement.

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approval of April 29th amended minutes

Member comments:

Pete will table at Food Stroll next. Wed.; concerned about committee structure, volunteer activity, community involvement. Says many of his acquaintance will not join until the co-op is open.

Allen's response: the store *is* open; 2 days a week.

Jim: In light of the size of the most recent UNFI grocery order, are we *de facto* "open" and therefore should be open 5 days a week?

David concurs.

Secretary's report – one new member this week. We may have hit a plateau for this stage of our development.

Nancy presented a slightly improved balance sheet. The store continues to sell more food each week, as the vendors move on to their summer commitments.

Old Business:

Maasdam coming this Thursday, Ed will have a dozen bags made up at Tee's Plus.

Kristin will staff the store in the morning; Ellen in the afternoon. 10 – 3. Much discussion about boats and out-of-towners. Eight more boats coming between now and November: July 4, Aug. 1, Sept 25, 27, 29, Oct. 17, 19, Nov 6.

Annual Meeting:

1. Pete will call no-email people to inform of meeting time and place, encourage nominations, and ask for email addresses.
2. Microphone announcements will be made on Saturdays about the meeting.
3. Meeting will be publicized on the website, the eblast, the newsletter, the front window and the bulletin board. Maybe we should hire a man on horseback, also.
4. Andy will write a brief description of how the election will work, to be similarly promulgated.

MOTION: by Jim, seconded by Sheila: voting for Directors happens solely at the Annual Meeting by those members present. 6 in favor, 2 opposed. (This is not a bylaw change).

Food Stroll: all is in order. We are on the map, have trail mix to give away, and have volunteers.

Pancakes: all is in order; will be advertised in Thursday's weekend section of The Day.

Committee Reports and business:

The Store: Increase open hours and days: Wed, Thurs and Fri 2:30 – 8, Saturdays continue the same. We'll send an eblast after next week's meeting asking for volunteers to "step up to the plate".

Site and Facilities: Ed met with an electrical man who had good ideas and information about efficiency, retrofitting, utility credits, etc.

Capital Campaign and Member Loans: Ed is pursuing some loans.

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adjourn.

submitted by Ellen Anthony
approved at --- meeting

P.S. Jim's eblast, Ellen's first draft:

Fiddleheads is expanding its opening hours.

How can you help staff the store?

Wednesdays 2:30 – 8 pm

Thursday 2:30 – 8 pm

Friday 2:30 – 8 pm

Please reply to June 3 to help with this next, great effort.