

Minutes
Fiddleheads Natural Food Co-op Board of Directors
CCi Inc., 190 Broad St. New London
7:00 - 9:00 p.m., May 19, 2009

Call to order at 7:00

Directors Present: Ellen Anthony, Ed DeMuzzio - Vice President, David Jensen - Treasurer, Allen Longendyke - Secretary, Richard Spindler-Virgin - President, Jim Stidfole

Coop Members Present - Nancy Potter

Nancy gave a financial report showing that long term debts were slowly being paid off, rent was still three months behind, but that there is a steady increase in sales each month.

A motion was made by Allen and seconded by Jim to approve the Minutes of the May 5th meeting. All voted to accept the minutes.

President's Report: Dick suggested that we go to having one Board Meeting a month and a by-weekly Store Operations meeting which would not include all Board Members but would include the Store Coordinators and Product Ordering Team.

Secretary's Report: As of 5/19 we have 920 member households.

Old Business:

Annual Meeting - specifics are being planned by Andy Durr. We are still looking for additional Board Members.

CFNE Loan Application - Ed will complete it this evening as it has to be in to CNFE tomorrow.

Walk-in Repairs and Dairy Walk-In set up - are deferred until funding is available. Ed is working on a possible labor donation from the Plumbers/HVAC group for labor but we will need to purchase the material this time.

Booksale - Allen stated a concern that there is not enough room given the current clutter in the back of the store to set-up and sort. Dick suggested holding off the sale until Sailfest Weekend. The Board agreed this was a good idea so the sale is postponed until then.

New Business:

Allen stated the parking lot clean-up seems to have stopped and the inside of the back of the store is becoming too full of stuff. Dick stated he and Paul would take down the set up of the Dairy Walk-in panels. Ellen stated she would jump-start the continued parking lot clean-up.

Allen stated in conversation with Anne Schrieber, Greeta Taylor, Karen Paul, and others at the Mohegan Apartments that the concept of a Senior Breakfast would be welcome to get neighborhood seniors out to the store. Thursday was a suggested day of the week. Jim felt Friday would be a better date. The Board agreed on the concept, and it could be done once Dick and Laurie Gorham complete the food safety/prep course and we are set to prepare food again. Allen is also working on getting Fiddleheads on the Senior Bus stop list.

Dick suggested we have one weekday as a Craft Vendor day in the store, possibly Friday.

Ed stated that Two Wives Pizza is interested in purchasing food supplies through Fiddleheads and that we need to develop a business to business policy. Allen was requested to write up a proposal on this.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

