Bloomington Cooperative Services

Board of Directors Meeting

December 6, 2023 / 231206

Bunger & Robertson, 211 South College Ave. Bloomington, IN 47404 / Zoom

Board Members in Attendance: Isabelle Daellenbach, Brianne Jamerson, Gerry Hays, Tosh

Lewis, Bobbi Boos, Susan Kornblum, Nancy Mathews

Admin: Dee Bohler, Phil Phillipy, Jude Flynn Zoom: Stacey Giroux, Lauren McCalister

**Absent Board Members: 0** 

#### 01 Preliminaries

- A. Ends Statement
- B. Announcements
  - 1. Bloomingfoods has been presented with a 2023 Community Award for Support of Local Businesses.
  - 2. Add a written statement about the holidays for the Website.
  - C. Review Board Calendar.
    - 1. Start thinking about a February social activity.
  - D. Review Action Items
    - 1. Rethink finance committee process in executive session.
    - 2. Have the Charters committee terms and have a temporary Chair for the interim

## 02 Consent Agenda

- A. Tonight's Agenda
- B. October Meeting Minutes
- C. November Meeting Minutes
- D. Annual Meeting Minutes
- E. Annual Meeting Committee Report
- F. Ownership Cancellation Memo

Approve Nancy, Second Jeff, All Agree with plan for Isabelle to adjust October meeting minutes

#### **MEMBER COMMENTS**

## 03 Self-Monitoring

- A. C4 Board Meetings
  - 1. Committees coming to meetings with a document with comments/recommendations. Decision Tree

Accepted as in compliance.

- B. C6 Officers' Roles
  - 1. Officers are responsible but can delegate.
  - 2. "Old" officers should meet with "New" officers to help with transition. Accepted as in compliance.

- C. C7 Board Committee Principles
  - 1. Committee annual reports are different from contributions to the Annual Report for Owner-Members.
  - 2. Annual committee reports are typically due in October except for Annual Meeting which is due in November.
  - 3. Committee should have a calendar and meet their own deadlines.
  - 4. The Board Calendar will include due dates.

Accepted with acknowledgement of noncompliance with a plan (include deadlines on board calendar)

## 04 Board Topics

- A. Review Board Calendar
  - 1. The calendar has changed to show January to December with two extra months added.
  - 2. The new meeting date being at the end of the month will allow reports to be one month behind.
  - 3. A new January due date for Charter's will be added.
  - 4. July has executive sessions which can be done in August.
  - B. Review Protocols:
    - 1. Self-Monitoring
      - a. See Board Information folder for definition of self-monitoring.
      - b. See Protocol Change Proposal Self Monitoring & Board Meeting.
      - 2. Board Meetings
      - a. A list for checking off duties would be helpful, like the one we have for Self-monitoring.
      - b. Rating scale should be removed.

#### **BREAK**

## 05 Education

- A. Topic Brainstorming
  - 1. Our retreat brought up five points to explore.
    - a. Social
      - i. Input from other Co-ops/GM presentations
      - ii. Look at past presentations
    - b. Technology
      - i. AI
      - ii. Fake Food
      - iii. Lab meat and eating bugs
- iv. self check out
  - c. Legal\*
- i. Keep an eye on CBD/THC laws
- ii. Big Ag laws
- iii. Whitehouse changes on farm bills
  - d. Political\*

- i. High cost of living and low wages
  - e. Environmental
    - i. Climate change
    - ii. Extreme heat
- iii. Information on Alpha gal Syndrome

# 06 GM Monitoring and Reports

- A. B1 Financial Condition: Q1 Numbers and Narrative
  - 1. Approached the target margin with room for improvement.
  - 2. Labor is doing well.
  - 3. Plans for Reengaging members, identifying patterns, and reaching out is moving forward.
  - 4. Compliance plan is being implemented with a plan to continue to work on margins with ever changing prices.

Decision Tree

Accepted with acknowledge of noncompliance with plan

B. B4 Members Rights & Responsibilities

Decision Tree

Accepted as in compliance

- C. B7 GM Communication with Sept and Oct financial statements Discuss.
- D. B9 Emergency Succession Decision Tree Accepted as in compliance

## **07 Committee Requests**

Perpetuation (standing)

Closing

Task Review – Action Steps

Review Decisions

- C4 accepted as in compliance
- C6 accepted as in compliance
- C7 accepted with acknowledgement of non-compliance with a plan (include deadlines on board calendar)
- B1 accepted with acknowledgement of non-compliance with a plan
- B4 accepted as in compliance
- B9 accepted as in compliance

Approve Bobbi, Second Tosh, All Approved

Adjourn