

Board Members Attendees: Margie Lance, Annette Stefancic, Michael Tims, Annie Marshall, John Beutler, Hans Wagner, Pat Allen
Absent Board Members: Barbara BogaRosh, Margaret Gray
Staff Attendees: Sarah Lebherz, Zoë Brittain, Cindy Lewis

Meeting was called to order by Board President Margie Lance at 6:04 pm. A quorum was present.

The agenda was approved with tabling the discussion of the Governance budget to the May meeting.

Consent Agenda

- The following items were removed from the consent agenda because the reports were not available in time for the meeting: Ends Policies A1 and A2 (Sarah), Policy C5 GM Evaluation (Barbara), Policy D1 Governing Style (Margaret) and Policy D2 Board Job Description (Barbara). The monitoring reports for Policy D3 Board Agenda Planning and Minutes, Policy B4 Financial Condition Proposed Policy Changes and Policy D5 Code of Conduct Policy Revision were pulled from the consent agenda for discussion.
- The remaining items on the consent agenda: March Board Minutes, Monitoring Reports for Policy B7 Emergency Management Succession and B10 Environment were approved.
- Barbara and Margaret's Monitoring Reports were reassigned as follows:

C5 GM Evaluation	Annie and Pat
D2 Board Job Descriptions	John
D1 Governing Style	tbd

Proposed Policy Changes for B4 Financial Condition

Michael requested information on the background on some of the co-ops that were used in the financial comparisons. The Proposed Policy was approved as submitted.

Proposed Policy Changes for D5 Code of Conduct

The Board discussed the policy changes and clarified procedures if a Board member were to seek employment at The Common Market. John made a motion to accept the policy revisions as submitted. The motion was approved unanimously.

Monitoring Report for Policy D3 Board Agenda Planning and Minutes

The Board discussed D3.3.3 regarding the Board minutes. Michael recommended D3.3.3 be changed from partial compliance to compliance since the minutes do follow the guidelines. Michael made a motion to accept the monitoring report with a change of D3.3.3 to compliance. The motion was approved unanimously.

Patronage Rebate Review

- Owner Appreciation Day – Thursday, May 15th. Annie asked for Board availability to staff an outdoor table for Board members to be present and invite owners to the

upcoming forums and answer questions about Patronage Rebates. Annie asked if a passive demo could be available at the table. The following availability was determined:

Hans (set-up table)	10-12
Pat	12-2
Annie	4-6
Michael	6-8

- John reminded the Board of the dates of the Forums: May 17th 2-4 and May 28th 6-8. Michael will be available to help with the May 17th forum. John will facilitate the meeting and will be meeting with Sarah and staff to determine other needs.
- Sarah will send out a complete Frequently Asked Questions list for the Board to review prior to the OAD and Forums.
- Margie will talk to Barbara about the timeframe of the by-laws review with the attorney. An agreement was completed with the attorney and Sarah will issue a retainer check immediately.

CCMA Conference

- Margie reminded the Board of the upcoming conference. She noted that to stay within budget considering the increased expense (the conference is in Portland), we have to limit and prioritize the number of Board members who can attend. Longevity on the Board and prior attendance will be considered.
- The conference takes place in Portland, June 12-14th.

Board Annual Retreat

- Margie reminded everyone that the Board retreat is scheduled for Saturday, November 1st. Discussion took place regarding what should be the content of the retreat. Margie proposed part of the day be used for revamping our monitoring process, which has become onerous and not productive to our work as a Board. Other proposed content of the retreat would be on Ends Policies. This would be to further the Board's March retreat on vision/ends and to continue our linkage with owners work during the patronage rebate campaign.

Next Month Assignments and Additions

- Ends (Sarah), B4 (Sarah), D4 (Annette), D9 (Margie), C5 (Annie and Pat), D2 (John), Board Budget, Board Development for the next election, and content of next newsletter article on Patronage Rebates

Good of the Order

- Annie reminded that Good of the Order should be included on each agenda per by-laws.
- Annie thanked Sarah for conducting a training on financials for the new Board directors and thanked Pat, John and Hans for attending.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm
Notes taken by Sarah Lebherz