Present: Mike Link, Luke Zigovits, Eric Newman, Curt Brye, Shawna Connor, Leslie Kruemple, Jan Rasikas GM, Cathy Sis notes

Guest: Susan Weber BoD Candidate

Phoned In Guest: Peter Bergquist BoD Candidate

Absent: Larry Homstad

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| **Time &**  **Amount** | **Topic / actions** | **Notes** | **Action Items** |
| 6:00pm  30mins | **Light Dinner** – and beverages served at 6pm |  |  |
| 6:30pm  10mins | **Welcome to guests / visitors:**  Potential BoD Candidates | Susan Weber and Peter Bergquist introduced themselves and expressed their interest in VFC Board membership | **Action Item (AI): Jan**  Send Peter sample packet materials |
| 6:40pm  5mins | **Check in -** Go around on state of mind; affirmation of preparedness to act |  |  |
| 6:45pm  2mins | **Review Agenda** – add any consent items to agenda that need discussion at this time | Add new drawings from PJ to Learning hour |  |
| 6:47pm  3min | **Consent items:**   1. Approval of July minutes    * Motion/Second    * Mike/Eric    * approved as presented |  |  |
| 6:50pm  60mins | **BoD Learning Initiative and Expansion Project Preparedness**  **Study Topic** –   1. CBLD Co-op Café recorded topics or other VFC related items 2. Spend time to review and update Growth Roadway Calendar | Watched CBLD library video of Sean Doyle, GM of Seward Co-op on cooperative equity, financial health and building commonwealth for expansion. Good discussion about class A, B and C stocks.  Shawna and Leslie K re-introduced the Growth Roadway Calendar with updated entries and show how items can move when needed.  Financial information and training is top of mind. Search for tools from other Co-ops and from CBLD library and Leslie Watson.  Shawna and Leslie K as the appointed board leaders for the Growth Roadway Calendar will choose opportunities for learning during this time at BoD meetings. | **Action Item (AI):** **Jan**  Contact Bloomingfoods Co-op to request financial process outline for expansion.  **AI: Curt**  Ask Leslie Watson consultant, to recommend from CBLD library any tools/videos/articles for learning about co-op expansion financials  **AI: Shawna & Leslie K**   * Shawna and Leslie will continue to move red items in Growth Roadway doc to keep current for our timeline. * Will search for, and choose tools to use as training/learning during BoD Learning Initiative hour.   **AI: Mike & Leslie**  Meet to go over examples of a project timeline scenarios in detail.  **AI: Curt / Shawna**  Communicate with Leslie Watson regarding training materials.  **AI: All BoD**  Standing phone conference call with Leslie W, 1st Wednesday of every month at 9 a.m. Let Curt know if you are joining the call. |
| 7:50pm  10mins | **Executive Limitations monitoring – GM**   1. L.5 GM Succession   Motion/Second  Mike/Eric  accepted as presented   1. L.6 Asset Protection   Motion/Second  Shawna/Luke  accepted as presented | 1. L.5 Policy Report 2. L.6 Policy Report   Sept 22-24 on-site full financial audit |  |
| 8:00pm  10mins | **Governance Process monitoring – BoD**   1. Review Results of BoD Evaluation Survey | Reviewed BoD survey results and noted improvements in areas of attendance and orientation as compared to previous survey results. Board discussed other areas and noted their alignment on a majority of areas, and with low standard deviation.  Topics of note:   * Encouraging board candidacy with special mailing to members early April * Committee work within the policy governance structure * Representing diverse opinions both within the board and outside the board * Mike has perfect board attendance!! | **AI: Jan**  Marketing team designs postcard, with BoD approval, sent in early April 2016 as a ‘plea for BoD candidacy’ paid by governance budget.  **AI: Curt**  Ask Leslie W for aggregate survey data from other co-ops who take the same board eval survey for perspective on our results. |
| 8:10pm  5mins | **Old Business**   1. Annual Board Retreat scheduled with new CBLD consultant 2. Article V language change for the Sept ballot   Motion/Second  Eric/Mike  accepted as presented article V language | Annual Board Retreat  November 14th Saturday  Time: TBD  Place: Nature Nooks  Who: BoD, Jan GM and Andrew Store Mgr  Facilitator: Leslie Watson CBLD Consultant  Topics: TBD  Repeat Article V language as recommended by attorney in the ballot | **AI: Jan**  Reserve Nature Nooks for Nov 14th  **AI: Curt**  Determine retreat topics with Leslie W |
| 8:15pm  10mins | **New Business**   1. GM FYI Report | BoD and GM had opportunity to converse on key issues.  Annual Owners Meeting (AOM) preparations and AOM materials for Sept BoD mtg review:   * President, GM, Financial AOM report deadlines * Agenda and BoD roles for mtg * Date for practice-run * Expansion info | **AI: All BoD**  September board mtg  date changed to  September 23rd  **AI: Jan**  Include AOM items for Sept agenda |
| 8:25pm  5mins | **Member communication** | Pea Soup author assignment for Dec, Jan, Feb issue: determined next meeting |  |
| 8:30pm  0mins | **Closed Session** | none |  |
| 8:30pm | **Adjournment**  Thank you  Motion/Second  Mike/Eric |  |  |