

Blue Hill Co-op Board Meeting

September 17, 2013 Blue Hill Public Library, Howard Room

Board Member Attending: Mia Strong, Richard Paget, Laura Livingston, Jerome Lawther, Marge May, Kristyn LaPlante, Jim Picariello, Diane Bianco,

Absent Board Member(s): Mark Deeny (General Manager), Aaron Dority, Hadley Friedman, Keith Herklotz

Others Attending: Julia Klein (minute taker), Bruce Stahnke (Owner, Relocation Architect)

Julia Klein, minute taker

Marge May, task and decision keeper

Mia Strong, meeting facilitator, time keeper

Approval of Minutes: **The August 20, 2013 Minutes were approved with no changes.**

Time Open to Owners: No Owners present.

GM Report: No comments were voiced as Mark was not present to answer questions.

Board Seat: Mia will email Allison's records of Board Candidate possibilities and their responses in the past. Jim questioned whether the seat should be opened to the general ownership. Mia and Board agreed that candidates should be handpicked people that all current Directors work well with. Marge will send Allison's letter to the Board.

Relocation Reports: Bruce Stahnke presented Relocation plans and graphics and briefed the Board on the workings of the Committee. Detailed discussion followed in which Bruce answered Director's questions and concerns. Bruce will present plans to the public in a meeting at the Library on Monday September 23, 2012. This month Mark met with store managers to review each department's needs building off of the Staff Survey results. Bruce will use this information in combination with Member Survey results to draft a programming document for the store interior and what it will cost. Bruce presented plans for a zero net energy green building and spoke of the fundraising opportunities it could create. He also shared his vision for bringing downtown up to South Street and creating a pedestrian friendly space. Richard questioned how the builder will be chosen. Bruce responded that a bid process will be used with a select group of builders and talked through builder priorities with the Board. Mia reviewed Relocation Committee's progress highlighting an interview with CDS about interior design. Mark will contact NCGA. Decision points regarding the use of CDS or NCGA for design will be put before the Board in the next couple months. Two fundraisers have been contacted for interviews. Parking for possible Farmer's Market was discussed as well as the possibility of street parking, a sidewalk and crosswalk from the Bay School.

Agenda for Next Meeting:

Names for Board Seat (Allison's seat until spring of 2015)

GM Report

Relocation Committee - make proposal for CDS layout, ask Board for money, Mia will email info

Buying Policy Report (Policy Committee and Staff will be consulted, proposal will be formulated in the next couple of months.)

Fundraiser Selection - may have recommendation by next meeting

Meeting Evaluation: Super! Very informative!

Due Date for the Board Packet: Items for the Board Packet will be due on Saturday October 5, 2013.

Next Meeting: Tuesday October 15, 2013 6:30- 9:00 PM Blue Hill Public Library, Howard Room. Diane will be in Italy.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Julia Klein