Ozark Natural Foods March Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday March 28th, 2017 6:30 p.m.

Board Members Present: Joshua Youngblood, Ben Ozanne, Colleen Pancake

Danielle Dotson, Hayden Henningsen, Conner Corley

Board Members Absent: John Bailey

Staff Members Present:

Consent Agenda:

· Approve Minutes for February 28th 2017.

- Approve Minutes for December 13, 2016.
- Motion to accept Consent Agenda was made, seconded and passed with 5 ayes and one abstained.

Floor Reports

President's Report:

- · Met with representatives of CBLD (Cooperative Board Leadership Development).
- Met with General Manager regarding patronage and progress on expansion.
- · Wegner CPA auditors have begun regularly scheduled audit.

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Reporting and Board Decisions

Announcement of Electronic Vote: appointment of Conner Corley to fill Board vacancy.

- · Board announced Conner Corley to fill director vacancy.
- · New member nominated by two current members.
- · Appointment approved unanimously via electronic vote prior to monthly meeting.

Owner Outreach Committee

- · Met to review feedback from recent Board/Owner dinner.
- · Next Board/Owner Dinner is June 13th.

Perpetuation Committee

- · Board application packets are now available online at onf.coop.
- · Candidate Dinner was successful and included 9 or 10 potential Board candidates.
- Application packets due May 1st and Candidate Statements will be published in the July Nutshell.

Discussion

Request for Retained Patronage: Barbara Moorman

- Board reviewed request from Barbara Moorman for return of retained patronage.
- · Discussion moved to closed session.

Honoring Our Founders

- · Board discussed a Founder's Day Event, honoring original members of ONF.
- · Event to take place during Saturday of July Owner Appreciation Weekend.
- · Call to owners before 1980, contact Board with photos.

Board Education:

Board discussed including financial education, competition in the market, successful food-hub models, as well as review of upcoming CBLD 101 training.

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Board Policies for review/discussion:

D14-Board Benefits- approval has been moved to April 25th meeting.

Upcoming meeting dates

· April Meeting-April 25th, 2017

Meeting adjourned at 7:35pm

Owner Attendance

Linda Ralston Sue Graham

Owner Comments

Disclaimer: Owner comments are a welcome line of communication between owners and the board.

All owner comments are the personal views and opinions of the named owner and do not reflect the ownership as a whole. The board does not guarantee a response or rebuttal owner comments. The board takes all owner comments under advisement.

<u>Linda Ralston:</u> Wanted to set the record straight regarding a letter received from the Board regarding defamatory statements she made about General Manager, Mike Anzalone. Ralston claims she hasn't violated any bylaws and attends meetings to express her opinions. Ralston also stated she feels the Board should have notified ownership of an open Board position.