

Consumers' Cooperative Association of Swarthmore, Inc.
Minutes of the Annual Meeting
April 21, 2016

The meeting was opened at 7:15pm by Martyn Harding, President of the Board of Directors. He welcomed the members in attendance, officially numbering 43, according to the sign-in sheet.

Formal Business

Martyn began by welcoming the members and introducing the Board. Martyn also thanked the Board members who are retiring after two terms – Carol Savory and Bob Scott (Martyn is retiring too). Ines publicly thanked Carol, Andy thanked Bob, Don thanked Martyn. All were presented with certificates of appreciation and small gifts.

Although not occurring until later, three official votes took place:

- 1) The members voted one whether to approve the three candidates to the Board – Lori Knauer; Frances Reichel; Jacquelyn Diamond. A motion to approve the slate was requested by Martyn. Don Delson seconded the vote. The nominations were passed unanimously as indicated by paper ballots, 121 in total, which included those collected on the evening of April 21, and those that were mailed in.
- 2) Next, the Board recommended a “yes” vote on the resolution for a change of domestication of the Co-op from a District of Columbia cooperative corporation to a Pennsylvania cooperative cooperation. The measure was passed unanimously as indicated by paper ballots, 116 in total, which included those collected on the evening of April 21, and those that were mailed in.
- 3) Finally, the following Board members were elected by the Board to officer positions: Pam Bartholomew became president; Ines Rodriguez became vice president; Jill Gaieski became secretary. Michael Markowicz was reelected to treasurer for a second term.

Year in Review

Michael presented on Coop finances. Pam presented on marketing and the Coop's new direction, including results of survey and focus group. Ed (GM) gave an operations review. He highlighted membership, cross-training employees, product mix, new additions, NCG membership and potential plan for new layout. Chris (marketing manager) presented his advertising and marketing plans.

Q and A

Members asked a variety of questions.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45pm. Refreshments and food were served.

Respectfully submitted,
Jill Bennett Gaieski
Co-op Secretary

Materials

President's Letter 2016 Annual Meeting
Final Bios and Ballot for 2016 Annual Meeting
Swarthmore Co-op 2016 Annual Meeting Final Powerpoint
Swarthmore Co-op History
2016 Annual MtgMailing ListFinal