

Upper Columbia Cooperative Council
Board of Directors Meeting
March 23, 2010

Present: Corky, Cynthia, Andrew, Zoe, Deirdrie

Absent: Bradley

Agenda – accepted as presented

Minutes of the meeting of February 23, 2010 were accepted as circulated (quorum was not met at that meeting).

Action Items

All done. Wayne Lundeberg has been away; Zoe will contact in April.

Coordinators Report

- Zoe is working to secure the allotted CDI funds from BCCA. She will let us know as soon as she hears what's up.

- Minister Blackburn is due to visit Proctor by the end of March. Deirdrie will be the contact person for this event while Zoe is away (on vaca in Europe!). Deirdrie will forward all info to the rest of the Board.

- Discussed possible co-op development conference in October – there is much interest from our members and potential members. This would be a good initiative to apply for CBT funding to assist. Keynote topic suggestion – why go co-op? The difference between co-op, society, partnership, etc.

- Member recruitment – Community First is still in progress; Kettle Valley Co-op has applied for membership.

M/Andrew S/Cynthia

To approve the UCCC membership application of Kettle Valley Co-op.

Carried.

Andrew met with KSCU and it looks like their member application may go forward at their next meeting.

- Discussion to formalize the role of co-op ambassadors – identify people who are willing and able fill the outreach role and provide support for emerging co-ops.

Current Priorities

- BCCA / UCCC Dues Issue - BCCA has agreed to spread the invoicing over two months.
- Next breakfast – April 13 – Co-op Bakery. Will discuss further breakfast schedules and hosts at the AGM.
- KBCSC space update – moving April 9.
- Minister Blackburn visit – Deirdrie to organize when info becomes available.
- Co-op directories / outstanding questionnaires – Zoe will resend email to Corky. Corky will

- have it done by April 8.
- AGM planning – April 29
 - Strategic planning session – 12:30 – 4:30 Val Mayes to facilitate
 - AGM – 5:30 – 7:00
 - Location discussion – Andrew will check into Chamber of Commerce meeting room availability.
 - Delegate from each member co-op will be invited to the strategic planning session. RSVP will be required by April 15. John Restakis will also be attending.
 - AGM agenda will be set at next board meeting.
 - Rules update – Zoe distributed the updated rules electronically.

Budget

Zoe presented the draft budget for 2010/2011. Discussion and amendments as recorded on the draft.

M/Corky S/Cynthia

The net revenue from 2009/2010 operations be held as a reserve rather than taken into revenue in 2010/2011.

Carried.

M/Corky S/Cynthia

To accept the budget as amended.

Carried.

Contract Renewal

M/Corky S/Deirdrie

For Zoe to investigate bringing our contract agreement into CRA compliance. If we opt to change to employee status it would begin January 1, 2011.

Carried.

M/Corky S/Cynthia

Andrew, Deirdrie and Zoe will meet to perform Zoe's performance review and contract renewal.

Carried.

Branding

Zoe distributed some logo designs created by Big Cranium. Discussion and opinions were readily expressed. Zoe will take back the feedback to the designer. We will bring the revised options to the breakfast on April 13.

Corky would like to see a directory of UCCC member goods and services listed on the website. We need to go beyond the co-op leaders and proselytize to our entire membership.

Next meeting: April 20 9:00 – 11:00

Adjourned: 10:45