

Minutes of the Tuesday, August 27, 2019 Park Slope Food Coop General Meeting

The monthly General Meeting of the Park Slope Food Coop was held on Tuesday, August 27, 2019 beginning at 7:15 p.m. at John Jay High School, with David Moss in the Chair, Imani Q'ryn as Secretary, Josef Szende on the Table, with Maribeth Batcha and Tim Platt attending

Open Forum

Tracy Pitts – On reducing plastic usage at PSFC
Susan Lawson – On PSFC finances
Dan Cashin – On PSFC checkout procedures
Unnamed Member – On comparing Trader Joe's and PSFC

Coordinator Reports

Joe Holtz – General Coordinator. Presenting the Coop Financial Statement. Plus Q&A,
Ann Herpel – General Coordinator. On the NLRB issue. Plus Q&A
Joe Sladek – General Coordinator. Food Report

Committee Reports

Bart DeCoursey – ITES. On recent trade talks

Item 1: Modifying the Coop Retirement Program (35 minutes)

Proposal: The Coop will revise current retirement guidelines to extend the maximum retirement age, and will adjust the Required Years of Membership accordingly; the maximum age will be increased from 65 to 70 and over; the sliding scale of Required Years of Membership will be extended at the current rate (a decrease of 2 years for each additional year of service) up to age 70. A retired Coop member will still be allowed to work or do a shift for another member, if they want to.

—submitted by Ruth Wilner

Ruth Wilner presenting

Q&A

Proposal read

Discussion

Amendment suggested to change language of proposal

Seconded

Chair calls for a vote by show of hands to amend proposal

Majority vote by show of hands to amend proposal by using the following language: "Revise the coop retirement guidelines to extend the sliding scale of required years of membership as follows:

66	18 years
67	16 years
68	14 years
69	12 years
70+	10 years

Vote passes

Chair calls for a vote by show of hands to vote on revised proposal

Revised proposal passes by overwhelming majority

Item 2: Production of Lynn Nottage's play "Sweat" in collaboration with the Irondale Theater Ensemble Project (35 minutes)

Proposal: The Coop grant the International Trade Education Squad (ITES) \$4,100 and 20 work slots to collaborate with the Irondale Theater Ensemble Project of Fort Greene to produce a "music stand reading" of Lynn Nottage's Pulitzer Prize-winning play Sweat, about the NAFTA's effect on U.S. workers, October 22 and 28, free to Coop members.

—submitted by the International Trade Education Squad

Susan Metz, Jen Epstein, and Willie Ness presenting

Q&A

Proposal read

Discussion

Chair calls for a vote by show of hands

Seconded

Proposal fails by an overwhelming majority

Minutes

Edits suggested from the Minutes from the July 30th, 2019 General Meeting. Minutes delayed by 30 days to revise

Board of Directors' Meeting:

Board members Joe Holtz (ex-officio), Imani Q'ryn, Sukey Tamarkin, and Allen Zimmerman were present for the vote

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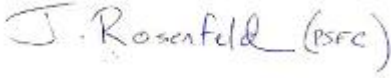
The Board voted 4 – 0 in favor of accepting the advice of the members with regard to **delay** the Minutes from July 30th, 2019 GM meeting for 30 days

The Board voted 4 – 0 in favor of accepting the advice of the members with regard to agenda item #1

The Board voted 4 – 0 in favor of accepting the advice of the members with regard to agenda item #2

Feedback for the Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 9:45PM

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "J. Rosenfeld (psfc)". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Jesse Rosenfeld, Secretary
Park Slope Food Coop
Brooklyn, New York,
Tuesday, August 27, 2019