

The General Meeting of the Park Slope Food Coop was held on Tuesday, January 29th, 2013, beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the MS 51 Public School. Carl Arnold being in the Chair, David Moss acting as Chair Secretary, Tim Platt serving as Table position, and Maribeth Batcha attending.

Warm Up:

Printed materials were made available, and Carl Arnold, Chair for tonight's GM, introduced the meeting. David Moss was Chair Secretary.

Open Forum

1. Comments on location of packaging of food, using banked shifts, complaints about the location of the meeting, and the unfortunate passing of coop member Bart Meyers.

Coordinators' Reports:

1. Financial Report – General Coordinator Mike Eakin
 - a. Report ending Dec 30th, 48 weeks into financial year.
 - b. Questions from floor

Committee Reports:

1. Greg of the GMO Labeling Committee
 - a. Giving update on the committee's activities
2. Agenda Committee election
 - a. Glenn Moller presenting Lilly Dalke as candidate.
 - b. Lilly introducing herself.

Agenda Items:

Item #1: A Discussion on Boycotts

Subject: Revised boycott policy for new and renewed boycott proposals.

Discussion: Proposal for a clarification of Park Slope Food Coop's boycott policy: the boycott must be directly related to our primary financial responsibility and reason for existence—the buying and selling of groceries; it must be based on established and credible information from non-violent sources; and the boycott must be passed by at least an 80% majority at a General Meeting, an 80% majority referendum, or annual recertification of a previously approved boycott. —submitted by Jesse Rosenfeld

Subject: Moratorium on Israel Boycott

Discussion: Five-year moratorium on PSFC Israel Boycott Discussions and Actions. —submitted by Murray Lantner

Subject: Boycott Procedures

Discussion: No boycott proposal may come before the GM without the prior approval of the General Coordinators, provided that a petition signed by 51% of the Coop membership can override the decision of the General Coordinators. —submitted by Eric Eisenstadt

1. Jesse Rosenfeld presented the first subject, Murray Lantner the second, and Eric Eisenstadt the third.
2. Followed by open discussion

Item 2: Special Election to Agenda Committee

Election: The Agenda Committee will present one candidate to fill a vacancy on the Committee. The member will serve the balance of the two-year term, ending in October 2014. —submitted by the Agenda Committee

1. Open discussion, followed by election, where Lilly Dalke was voted in unanimously

Presentation of Minutes:

Jesse Rosenfeld, Secretary, asked if there were any suggested edits or clarifications for the minutes from the November 27th, 2012 General Meeting from anyone in the room. No edits or clarifications suggested.

Jesse Rosenfeld, Secretary, asked if there were any suggested edits or clarifications for the minutes from the December 18th, 2012 General Meeting from anyone in the room. No edits or clarifications suggested.

Board of Directors' Vote:

Board members Joe Holtz (ex-officio), Audrey Komaroff, Bill Penner, Eunju Lee, and Monique Bowen were present for the vote.

The Board voted 5 – 0 to accept advice of the members on minutes of the November 27th, 2012 meeting

The Board voted 5 – 0 to accept advice of the members on minutes of the December 18th, 2012 meeting

The Board voted 5 – 0 to accept advice of the members on minutes of the election results for the Agenda Committee

Wrap up:

The Chair opened the floor for announcements and ride share exchanges

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.



Jesse Rosenfeld, Secretary
Park Slope Food Coop
Brooklyn, New York
January 29th, 2013

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