

Annual General Meeting 2006
Sunday, May 21, 2006 6:00 pm

Location: First Presbyterian Church of Ypsilanti

Jerry Kruse gave a brief tour of the before the meeting. Meeting called to order at 6:30.

Paul facilitated and asked everyone to introduce him/herself. Everyone was asked to sign the attendance list

Reports of the year from the Board: Mike

Highlights

- bakery
- four solar panels
- Co-op became a WIC coupon vendor
- we continue to be part of National Co-Op Grocer's Association
- part of a joint purchasing association
- continue to do outreach to different groups including WASTE-KNOT
- participated in Fallapalooza (welcome back to students/Depot Town)
- participated in Latino festival, Heritage festival, Depot Downtown Association, etc.

Manager's Report – Corinne

\$473,000 last year's sales – a record

17% over last year for the first four months of this year – bakery is helping dramatically the bakery was acquired last May; Eric started in October, he is baking great bread.

The purchase of the bakery's equipment has not been finalized. The equipment had been abandoned. Will need to hire more people. Selling to various places.

Corinne has been participating in Ypsilanti Nutrition Coalition which formed to help people create more healthy diets and life styles. We are participating in the Ypsilanti Farmer's Market on Saturday selling bread, goodies and miscellaneous. We also have agreed to be the electronic money and food stamps processor for all vendors at the market. We will also participate in the market that is opening on Tuesdays in June in Key Bank parking lot. Time will be 3-7 with only Michigan products.

Dave talked about the solar panels. He is currently giving different talks about solar panels to different groups. He is giving any profit from these talks to the Co-op. He would like to put more panels in the Co-op. Each panels costs about \$1000.

Corinne mentioned that we have applied for an ash utilization grant to have Dave build shelves out of ash.. We did not get the grant. But the Co-op is working with Dave on the shelves anyway.

The 11th QUILT is being produced for a raffle at the Heritage Festival. This quilt is made of Ypsi tee shirts. The quilt, as it is now, was displayed. WOW!

Corinne wanted to suggestions about the price of tickets for the raffle. Last year it was \$1 a ticket, \$5 for 7. It was decided it would be \$2 a ticket or 3 for \$5.

A sign up sheet was sent around for taking tickets to sell or for volunteering at the frestival.

Elections: Karin

Karin explained that there are four vacancies. There are four people willing to run.

Nancy Christiansen

Dayna Sprentall

Don Broersma

Mike Gelletly

Karin asked for a show of hands to appoint all four candidates to the board. Everyone put his hand up. There were no dissenters.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:05, with a delicious potluck following!