

**YPSILANTI FOOD COOP  
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES  
THURSDAY, MAY 23, 2013  
LADIES LITERARY CLUB**

5:30: MINGLING

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 5:50 P.M.

BY FACILITATOR DAVID CHOBERKA

PRESENTATIONS

SolarYpsi: Dave Strenski walked the audience through all that's going on with solar at the Coop.

Local Honey Project: Lisa Bashert gave a talk on the Local Honey Project, which was highlighted for praise at the Local Food Summit.

Bottled Water Presentation: Sara Blasko discussed why the Coop doesn't carry bottled water.

This is due to a handful of compelling reasons, ranging from corporate profit-mongering to the social injustice of access to clean water. Alternatives? Bottle your own tap water in a stainless steel container and take it with you.

PREVIOUS GMM MINUTES APPROVAL

Minutes for the 2012 General Membership Meeting were approved.

BOARD REPORT

Board President Liz Dahl MacGregor gave us a snapshot glimpse of what's currently going on with the Ypsilanti Food Coop's Board of Directors. We're about ready to implement Policy Governance, which promises to take us to a new and much-needed level of Coop vision and leadership.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Corinne Sikorski discussed the Coop's sales for year, what it means to be a cooperative rather than a profit-driven grocery store. She also touched on current events in our store's expansion.

FINANCE REPORT

Karin Keim gave a report on the Coop's finances, sales, and growth, all of which are robust and healthy.

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION

David Choberka, Jeff Clark, Paul Fisher, and Liz Dahl MacGregor conducted this year's Board election. Three seats were available. Vying for them were:

BILL AYARS

DON BROERSMA

KARIN KEIM

ERIC MOORE

JESSE TACK

MEGAN TURF

There was vigorous discussion between owner-members and Directors about how the election had been organized, advertized, and conducted. The informal consensus was that the Board would investigate ways of further democratizing and bringing transparency to the 2014 Board of Directors Election.

Bill Ayars and Jesse Tack were elected. Karin Keim was re-elected.

## POTLUCK

A delicious potluck was enjoyed by all, with beers provided by the Corner Brewery.

[ MINUTES PREPARED BY JEFF CLARK ]