

## **Minutes of the Tuesday, September 26, 2023 Park Slope Food Coop General Meeting**

The monthly General Meeting of the Park Slope Food Coop was held at the Prospect Park Picnic House on Tuesday, September 26, 2023, beginning at 7:00 p.m. Several weeks beforehand, an announcement about the scheduled meeting and the agenda were posted on the PSFC website, foodcoop.com, inviting members to participate. Meeting materials were made available to all Coop members by email before the meeting. Chair Committee members Marybeth Batcha and Charlie Rogers acted as chair and chair secretary. Over 100 members were in attendance.

### **Open Forum**

Suggestions raised during open forum included holding hybrid General Meetings (in-person and Zoom) and drafting a job description for the Coop's general manager position.

### **Financial Report and General Coordinators' Reports**

General Manager and treasurer Joe Holtz presented a financial report, referring to notes and statements for the 32-week period ending 9/10/23, which had been distributed before the meeting and was screen-projected at the meeting. General Coordinator Ann Herpel made a report on the status of restarting childcare. Ann and General Coordinator Joe Szladek made a member labor report, including strategies for signing up for freelance workslots. The meeting discussed the reports.

### **Committee Reports**

Member Anne Schoeneborn made an announcement on behalf of the Cooperative Economics Alliance of New York City (CEANYC) concerning available PSFC workslot credit members could earn assisting the organization.

### **Agenda item 1 – Discussion – Masking Hours at Coop to Protect Medically Vulnerable Members**

Member Kristina Bassi introduced the topic and the members discussed it. Below is the outline of the discussion item published in the GM agenda announcement:

*Proposal to establish hours during which shoppers and workers are required to wear masks, enabling medically vulnerable members to shop and work more safely, while others who prefer not to wear masks can shop and work at the Coop unmasked at other times.*

### **Presentation of Minutes**

Coop secretary Elizabeth Tobier presented the minutes of the August 29, 2023 General Meeting, which had been distributed to members before the meeting. The meeting approved the minutes by general consent.

### **Board of Directors' Meeting**

Brandon West chaired the Board of Directors' meeting. Four board members were present: Joe Holtz, Tim Hospodar, Shayna Moliver and Brandon West. Viren Mehta and Imani Q'ryn were absent. All members of the board present voted in favor of accepting the advice of the members on the minutes of the August 29, 2023 General Meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:53 p.m.



Elizabeth Tobier, Secretary  
Park Slope Food Coop  
Brooklyn, NY  
September 27, 2023

(Approved by the October 31, 2023 PSFC GM)