

**Executive Committee Meeting Minutes** 

February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018: 6-6:30pm

Attending: Meredith Molli, Hannah Cavendish-Palmer, Nancy Marshall, Claire Foster, Melissa Borsting (ED)

Determining executive roles for 2018- approved unanimously:

Meredith Molli, President Hannah Cavendish-Palmer, VP Nancy Marshall, Treasurer Claire Foster, Secretary Christeena Marzolf, Director at Large

### Reviewed roles of exec committee members

Given the valuable input provided on the Staff Handbook by Petrina, we request she consider providing input on potential by-laws updates to help us launch the by-laws review and editing process for membership vote in Dec. 2018.

Discussed how to most effectively share budget information with membership.

### **Board Meeting Minutes**

February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018: 6:30-9:30pm

Attending: Meredith Molli (President), Hannah Cavendish-Palmer (VP), Nancy Marshall (Treasurer), Claire Foster (Secretary), Petrina Fisher (Board), Erin Ericson (Board), Baj Kochar (Board), Neil Subhash (Board), Melissa Borsting (ED)

#### Call to Order

Approve minutes from January 2018 (Meredith): approved by 5 in favor, 3 abstentions

### Land Conservation Initiative (Hannah)

Guest – Bob Burns, Deputy Director King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks (DNRP).

Heard summary of the recommendations from the advisory group who examined proposed Land Conservation Initiative.

Concerns: why are equity issues involving open spaces in cities being lumped into land conservation at the county level when cities could address that?

Still a bit unclear about how to interpret the intentions behind the draft map parcels planning to be bought in fee.

Decision – will SVT submit a letter of support for the Land Conservation Initiative (**Meredith**) Erin to collect feedback and draft the beginnings of a response.

### Executive Director's report highlights (Melissa)

Strategic Plan check in, will consider board retreat next meeting, Petrina will assist Melissa on development plan, Meredith and Claire to consider branding proposals

Other program updates: new Market Manager has started, we have permits for the new bridge at EFP

2017 Financial Statements

Savor Snoqualmie \$250 sponsorship approved unanimously

## 2018 Auction (Claire)

May 19<sup>th</sup>, 5-9pm at Craven Farm in Snohomish, board members please focus on asking for a few restaurant gift certificate donations and on SPONSORSHIPS from businesses you think might be a good fit and/or you do business with. Claire can follow-up with potential sponsors if you are able to provide an introduction. Next month, auctioneer Matt Lorch will join us for table captain information time, and we will discuss invitations in more detail. Thank you for your support making this event huge success!

# Employee Handbook (Melissa)

Revised/added parental leave and ED grievance policies. Left alcohol language as is, consultant cautioned against putting the ED in the role of a subjective decision on appropriate amount of alcohol.

Board approval (vote)- unanimous approval

Updates from partners (WID, SVFC, KC Ag Commission – Erin, Neil, Meredith)

WID: nothing this month

Ag Commission: nothing this month

Co-op: Bradley Johnson is new manager, organized group crop planning also underway CCF: submitted value-added producer grant, egg washing machine almost functional Carnation Farms: hiring two apprentices this week for 2018 season, program design is that they progress through half-time apprenticeship in 2019, to an independent lease and running their own farm.

Oxbow: Jessica the ED has resigned, Megan is interim ED.

Mobile slaughter unit: same as last month, final location undecided, Carnation Farms is still one of two finalists

Adjourn/Late Happy Hour

*Next meeting: March 26<sup>th</sup>, SVT Office. 6:30-8:30pm.*