

# **Brownsville Co-op**

## **Board of Directors Meeting**

### **Minutes for June 24, 2007**

**Present:** Steve Brenner, Cheryl Haworth, Gian Mercurio, Margy Riggs, Anne Stein

Margy and Steve lead us through the meeting seeing that we complied with the Bylaws.

#### **Election of Officers:**

We decided that we need to spread the jobs so that more than one person was familiar with everything necessary. Officers were decided by unanimous consent of entire Board.

**President:** Steve Brenner  
**Vice President:** Cheryl Haworth  
**Treasurer:** Margy Riggs (with Steve as backup)  
**Secretary:** Gian Mercurio (Anne Stein as backup)

#### **Board and Membership meetings:**

Steve and Cheryl will develop the agenda and send it to the Board members before the meeting. Meetings will be conducted monthly on the second Sunday evening at 7 p.m. at Randy's with full participation of members and reports from project chairs. Decisions will be by consensus of all where possible, then a vote by the board will confirm when necessary, especially of legal or financial matters.

#### **Financial Policies and Decisions:**

**Loans:** An emergency loan was made to Anne Stein to keep her phone and e-mail access open. The loan is now repaid, but the policy as well as the procedure we followed were bad and we decided that we would **1) never do member loans again. In future, 2) all the Board needs to vote on financial decisions and 3) we will no longer extend credit at the Farmers' Market.**

**Community Booth Canopy:** We decided our best present choice is to buy Cheryl's canopy for \$150 and use it at least until the work on the building and Gazebo are completed. We can then better assess our needs. Steve will work on design possibilities for a wooden Canopy on wheels for us to consider.

**Group memberships for the Buyer's Club:** Don Lyon was approached by someone from the Brownsville Trailer Court on Loucks Way, who wanted the group to be able to join as one member (like Marcola) to be able to participate in the Buyers Club. We decided to ask Don to get some one to represent them at the next meeting on July 8<sup>th</sup> to try to find out what the underlying issues are. We will make a decision then.

**Fundraising and Grants:** Margy is really interested in working on finding appropriate grants and other fundraising mechanisms.

**The meeting was adjourned.**

**Next Meeting:** Full membership meeting at 7 p.m. Sunday, July 8<sup>th</sup> at Randy's