

## **Calapooia Food Alliance Minutes**

July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2008

Present: Kathleen Swayze, Steve Brenner, Cheryl Haworth, Bart Olson, JD Cochran, Carla Gerber, Dori Koberstein, Kelsie Koberstein, Chloe Sainte Claire, Marilyn Peterson, Anne Stein

Introductions were made by all to newcomers Dori Koberstein, Kelsie Koberstein and Chloe Sainte Claire.

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

Bank statement was read.

### **Selection of Officers**

President	Steve Brenner
Vice President	Kathleen Swayze
Treasurer	Cheryl Haworth and Carla Gerber
Secretary	Margy Riggs and Marilyn Peterson

At this point, it was decided to invite our guests to proceed at an earlier point in the agenda following the distribution of Board Duties.

### **Board Duties**

Kathleen and Keren Levine will coordinate Public Relations.

Kathleen will contact Keren.

The Fundraising Coordinator position had no volunteers. Consensus was that we will all contribute.

Patty Linn will coordinate the Information function as opposed to the Central Linn Liason or grant writing.

Margy will be the Community Garden Liason.

Marilyn will serve as Farmers Market Liaison.

Our structure regarding Project Managers and Board Liaison was explained and discussed.

### **Guest Speakers**

Dori Koberstein, Kelsie Koberstein and Chloe Sainte Claire are pursuing the possibility of opening a grocery store or a general store/ antique outlet. They would like to offer local produce and products. They expect to be quite small scale. Expected opening date is for the Antique Fair. The name of the store Roots.

We suggested that they talk with Willow Coberly as she is also interested in a privately operated grocery store. We also referred them to our Farmers Market Vendors as well as to Organically Grown.

General free ranging discussion ensued.

**Next meeting will be August 13<sup>th</sup> at Randy's at 7:30 PM.**

We will schedule future meetings on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the Month.

### **Lawyer and Tax Exempt Status**

The attorney fees from David Atkin are \$1107.50. Payment approved.

Board Member training with Atkin tabled.

### **Community Garden**

JD reported that supplies for H2O project have been purchased and funds were approved. Steve has installed. JD is happy.

JD said that Mandy Cole has sent 70 for Garden supplies.

We are at water capacity at the school site. Some technical discussion between JD, Steve and Bart. No resolution. Jason Curtis is still trying to schedule trenching. Planting and Demonstrations now on hold because of water limitations. The next Demonstration will be about installation of water lines. Steve will help.

JD needs help with mowing grounds. Kathleen said she will check to see if Swayze can do this. Steve Van Sandt also volunteered.

Upcoming project will be a traditional Culinary Herb Garden after the children return to school so we can take advantage of our partnership with the Central Linn Scholl District.

Central Linn Learns Project was a great success and JD took pictures and there was an article in the Times.

### **Sharing Hands**

The Community Garden fresh produce program has no takers from Sharing Hands at the Garden. The Senior Meals on Wheels Program is interested. Steve says that partnership is promising and is a 'go'. Margy will explore options

### **Farmers Market**

Due to changes in their personal lives, Rick Layman and Susan Richards will not be able to be site managers. Anne is available half days and Randy is still doing this. Cheryl and Anne explained to new members what the duties of the position are.

Margy will check further about the Food Handlers Permits.

Cheryl firmed up Community Booth schedule.

Will are still looking for a Market Coordinator. Duties described.

Penny still has chairs available and we will are check for possible music at the Market.

Resale at Community Booth Tabled.

Logistics of Sharing Hands distribution discussed. We will use card table.

Market layout revised.

Kathleen will take care of large Farmers Market sign. She will make proposals at our next meeting.

Meeting adjourned.

