

Growers of Organic Food Yukon
Chapter of Canadian Organic Growers
Annual General Meeting
November 15, 2009
EARTH WISDOM RANCH
Whitehorse, Yukon, Y1A 6M4

1) Attendance:

Rolland Girouard, Mary Girouard, Brian Lendrum, Susan Ross, Joanne Jackson Johnson, Simone Rudge, Tom Rudge, Cain Vangel, Laird Hebert, Enrica Nadalini, Peter Zimmerman, Matt Ball, Jodi Crewe, Cory Gordon, Marie Boucher, Claire Desmarais

Regrets: Leslie Peters, Tina Ratay, Tiana Zakus, Alyx Jones, Joan Norberg, Sheila Alexandrovich

2) The meeting was called to order at 1:35 pm by Chair Joanne Jackson Johnson.

3) Minutes of the last Annual General meeting were read. Brian moved, Claire seconded and minutes were accepted as read.

4) Reports:

Joanne Jackson Johnson presented the president's report covering the last year. Joanne moved her report, Rolland seconded and it will be posted on the Growers of Organic Food Yukon website

Simone Rudge presented the treasurer's report covering the last year.

Joanne asked about the AGM and COG's year-end date. Simone said it isn't an issue right now with our finances and there is only a month's difference. It was suggested a food dinner for fund raising, perhaps a Terre Madre day in January. Website fundraising is also a possibility. Overall, once accounts receivable are in the bank Growers of Organic Food Yukon is in a healthy position.

Simone moved her report, Mary seconded and it will be posted on the Growers of Organic Food Yukon website.

Brian Lendrum presented the COG report: 2 things other than media articles. COG is now talking about an organic week- a special thrust through COG with a coordinator for next September. Focus would be on the new Organic logo, other supporters to participate as well beside just the chapters.

COG is also involved heavily with the new standards. Big issue was the cost of the standards. The Canadian General Standards board thought the regulations were too cheap. Laura Telford was asked to provide background to get Gov't help.

COG is in the black.

End of the meeting portion.

Brian Lendrum was appointed as chief election officer.

Joanne Jackson Johnson talked about her changing commitments at home and that she is not sure if things change she will be able to continue so she would support a vice-chair. Joanne will let her name stand. Brian made 3 calls for the position and Joanne was acclaimed for the position.

Brian asked Enrica if she would let her name stand for the position of vice-chair. Enrica agreed and 3 calls were made to the floor. Enrica was acclaimed.

Simone Rudge allowed her name to stand for the position of treasurer. Brian Lendrum made 3 calls to the floor for further nominations. Simone was acclaimed treasurer for the next year.

Tom Rudge allowed his name to stand for the position of secretary. Brian Lendrum made 3 calls to the floor for further nominations. Tom was acclaimed secretary for the next year.

6) Adjournment: Joanne moved for adjournment at 2:40pm. The formal meeting was adjourned.

Reports will be posted on the Growers of Organic Food Yukon website.

End of 2009 AGM