

Vancouver Fruit Tree Project 2017 Annual General Meeting Notes

Attendees

Board/Advisory: Jenn Upham, Clint McGuire, Roxci Bevis, Raveen Kullar, Amy Farahbakhsh, Maddie Hauge

Voting Members: Jenn Upham, Clint McGuire, Roxci Bevis, Raveen Kullar, Amy Farahbakhsh, Maddie Hauge

Non-voting Attendees: Tyler Michaels, Tanya Ruscheinski, Silvia Vitoria

Regrets: Caro St. John, Shannon Lambie, Nadine Diner, Ian Marcuse

Chairperson: Jenn Upham

Chair declared meeting open at 6:42pm on March 14th, 2017

2016 AGM Minutes

reviewed 6:50pm

Approval motioned by Roxci

Seconded by Amy

Approved unanimously

2016 Annual Report

1. __ pounds harvested - same donated
2. __ % shared with community partners
3. __ active pick leaders
4. __ newly trained pick leaders (met the goal)
5. __ casual volunteer opportunity
6. __ workshops (canning/pruning)
7. __ community events
8. __ community chest program
9. __ media coverages
10. __ prunings (social enterprise)

Approval motioned by Roxci

Seconded by Amy

Approved unanimously

2017 Strategic Goals

1. Confirm and train at least 16 regular pick leaders for the 2017 season before June. Board Members to do at least 2 Pick Leads each throughout the season
2. Complete at least 60 picks throughout season
3. Maintain one Outreach Event per month from April until October (7 total). Board Member attendance mandatory at each event, must commit to at least one Outreach event each
4. Events: Kick Off Party, Movie Screening Fundraiser (let's make it big!), Season Wrap Up Party

5. Create and maintain 3 formal Committees with mandatory Board Member involvement and recruit Volunteers to join committees (titles: Fundraising/Marketing/Operations)
6. Amend and grow Pruning Social Enterprise expectations, standards, and policies. Look for more local landscapers to partner on with this
7. Look into starting a cider social enterprise with a local cider brewery
8. Implement Volunteer Management software for communicating with Volunteers and scheduling picks and events, potentially 'Nation Builder'. Work on updating active Volunteer contact information
9. Diversify funding streams so not reliant on gaming grant, build community partnerships like those with Whole Foods to increase donations
10. Outreach kit updated and switched to backpack with wheels for easy transportation to events
11. Complete more workshops regularly and promote/market workshops at least one month in advance; and implement new household/garden waste reduction workshop (workshops: Canning = 1/2, jam = 1/2, pruning = 2, waste reduction = 1/2)
12. Amend and edit VFTP Constitution and by-laws to reflect new provincial guidelines for 2018

Approval motioned by Jenn
Seconded by Amy
Approved unanimously

2016 Annual Financial Statement

reviewed 7:05pm

Approval motioned by Jenn
Seconded by Amy
Approved unanimously

2017 Board Member Nominations

Election of new Board Members: Tyler Michaels, Tanya Ruscheinski, Silvia Vitoria

Approval motioned by Jen
Seconded by Maddie
Approved unanimously

2017 Board Reorganization

President: Jenn Upham

Vice-President: Clint McGuire

Treasurer: Raveen Kullar

Secretary: Roxci Bevis

Members: Amy, Maddie, Shannon, Tyler, Tanya, Silvia

Approval motioned by Clint
Seconded by Amy
Approved unanimously

Board Member Resignations

Nadine Diner

Approval of resignations motioned by Clint

Seconded by Jenn

Approved unanimously

Chair called meeting to a close at 7:22pm

Motioned by Jenn

Seconded by Roxci

Approved unanimously