

**Alaska Pioneer Fruit Growers Association**

Meeting Minutes

December, 6/2016, BP Energy Center, Anchorage

Call to Order – Doug Ott, President, called the meeting to order at 630pm

- Board quorum was established (Doug, Terry, Ken, Debbie, Susan, Mike, Joe all present)
- An attendance sheet was circulated for all members and guests to sign
- Doug reminded everyone in attendance that membership dues for 2017 are due now

Approval of Minutes – Doug asked for corrections, additions, and approval of the minutes of the 11/10/2016 board and annual membership meeting (as distributed by email to all members)

- Dan Elliott inquired and suggested 2 amendments in keeping with the bylaws:
  - A record that a quorum of the membership was established; and
  - Notation that the first 6 paragraphs of the minutes constituted the annual APFGA report
- The minutes were approved with Dan’s amendments by unanimous show of hands

Officer Reports

- Treasurer Debbie Hinchey read the balance sheet from the financial report and distributed a hard copy to Board members
- Summary of Assets as Dec 5, 2016:

<b>Checking - Northrim 7101552110</b>	16,535.02
<b>Denali 12-Month CD (exp. 11/20/17)</b>	100,000.00
<b>Denali CD-12 Mo. (exp. 7/18/17)</b>	27,957.47
<b>Savings - Northrim 7101552128</b>	10,122.69
<b>Savings Denali Alaskan F.C.U.</b>	1,587.92
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<u>156,203.10</u>

- The Treasurer’s report was accepted as presented by unanimous show of hands

Old Business

- Doug described the bylaw revision process and explained that the October proposed revision was superseded by the subsequent changes that were emailed to all members. Action by the membership on the proposed bylaw changes is now scheduled for the January regular meeting. He also explained that one change in the distributed proposal was subsequently discovered to be inconsistent with State of Alaska statutes (i.e. the election of officers by the membership is not allowed).
- Further discussion by the membership of the proposed bylaw changes was tabled after Doug explained that any questions about the specific language in the proposal is appropriate for the January meeting when the changes come up for a vote.

## Committee Reports & Announcements

- Terry and Dan agreed to coordinate summer 2017 tours in the Valley
- Debbie introduced Erik Johnson and Robert Buchanan, with whom she had a phone conversation about the APFGA website. Erik and Robert are proficient in website design and each spoke briefly about ways they can help. They are also willing to train others in the use of website software if others would like to help maintain the APFGA website. Debbie will pass her notes on to Joe and Susan (members of APFGA website committee) for their benefit and any future actions.
- Plant orders – Debbie announced that Kevin Irvin has placed the order for cherry starts in # 2 pots for delivery in spring 2017 (100 Juliet & 200 Cupid). Not all starts have been spoken for yet. Debbie distributed the sign up list for orders. Randy (in Anchorage) and Terry (in the Valley) have volunteered to coordinate distribution of the orders when they arrive.
- Grafting Workshop – Doug described the event (usually the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday in April) and reminded all in attendance that we still need a coordinator and lots of volunteers to staff the event
- Doug announced that we need to confirm location and dates of some of the upcoming meetings due to lack of availability at BP Energy Center on desired dates; Erik Johnson agreed to confirm availability of his church for the February 9, 2017 meeting

Business and reports of the Board were concluded and everyone present was given a chance to talk about their experiences during the 2016 growing season. He also solicited suggestions and ideas from the group for program topics at future meetings.

Meeting adjourned at 850pm