

Board of Directors Meeting
Alaska Pioneer Fruit Growers Association
June 28, 2018
9:30 a.m. – 11:52 p.m.

Location: Diana Evans' house

Present: Mark Wolbers (President), Debbie Hinchey (Vice President), Gary Masog (Treasurer), Susan Miller (Secretary), Diana Evans, and by phone Karen Leis

Absent: Val Glooschenko

1. Minutes Approval. The March 16 board meeting minutes were approved (motion by Mark, seconded by Gary, approved unanimously).
2. Finance.
 - a. **Financial Statements**. Gary handed out his Profit and Loss Sheet and Balance Sheet for May.
 - b. **CD Reinvestment**. The club's \$27,957.47 CD at Denali Federal Credit Union expires on July 18. The interest rate for a one-year CD at Northern Skies Federal Credit Union (1.5 %) is much better than the rate at Denali (.75%). Because interest rates are rising, it seems better to purchase a one-year CD rather than a longer term CD at a higher rate.
MOTION: Withdraw the \$27,957.47 from Denali and use it to purchase a one-year CD at Northern Skies. Also move the Denali savings account (which contains all the earnings from that CD) to our Northern Skies savings account. At the end of the one-year term on the new Northern Skies CD, all earnings will be transferred to the savings account. (Moved by Gary, seconded by Susan, approved by all.)
3. Plant Orders.

Gary notified us that **Lawyer Nursery** is going out of business (at least the rootstock business). This is very serious because Lawyer is the nursery from which we have purchased apple rootstock for the grafting workshop and many other plants for several years. We do not know of another reliable source for grafting workshop rootstock. Gary explained that Lawyer will auction off its supply of rootstock in August and dig the plants for distribution in October. Gary agreed to ask Lawyer if they can store rootstock purchased at the auction until spring. The board discussed options for finding other rootstock sources and whether APFGA can participate in the auction if the quantities being auctioned are reasonable for us (combined with others in Alaska) to handle. Debbie agreed to draft a notice about this to club members to gauge interest in buying at the auction. Gary will obtain more information about the auction as it becomes available.
4. Apple Press. The board briefly discussed apple press options.
5. **Next Board Meeting**: Wednesday, July 25, 9:30 to 12:00 at Diana's house.

Susan Miller, Secretary
July 5, 2018