Sitka Local Foods Network
Board of Directors Meeting
Nov. 2, 2009 - Noon
Bayview Restaurant

MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER
The meeting was called to order at 12:10 pm.

B. ROLL CALL
Board Members Present: Kerry MacLane, Doug Osborne, Peggy Reeve, Linda Wilson, Lisa Sadleir-Hart, Natalie Sattler, Others Present: None
Board Members Absent: Lynnda Strong, Suzan

C. REVIEW OF MINUTES
Kerry MacLane reviewed the minutes of October 5, 2009.

MOTION: M/S MacLane/Reeve moved to approve the minutes of October 5, 2009.
ACTION: Motion PASSED unanimously 6/0 on a voice vote.

D. CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER INFORMATION (NONE)

E. CHANGES/ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA (NONE)

F. REPORTS

1. Financials

Mr. MacLane stated that Lisa Sadleir-Hart had been added to the ALPS account as a check signer. All SLFN funds will be transferred from the Sitka Conservation Society to the ALPS account. After transfer the SLFN account at ALPS should have a balance of approximately $4,900.

F. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Community Foods Project Grant

Mr. MacLane reported that the STA will be the applicant for the grant with SLFN as a partner. Meetings of local stakeholders will be held in January, February, and March of 2010. The grant is due in April.

2. Application for Non-profit Status – 501 (c)(3)

Mr. MacLane referred to his offer to process the application documents under a contract for payment of $400. The application will require approximately 40 hours of work. The contract provides for payment of $220 in advance (50% plus sales tax) and $200 on completion of the application.

MOTION: M/S Osborne/Wilson moved to approve hiring Kerry MacLane, as a private contractor, to complete the 501(c)(3) non-profit status application and to pay $400 from SLFN funds for the service as per the contract agreement.
ACTION: Motion PASSED unanimously 6/0 on a voice vote.

MOTION: M/S MacLane/Sadleir-Hart moved to approve payment of the IRS 501(c)(3) application fee in the amount of $500.

ACTION: Motion PASSED unanimously 6/0 on a voice vote.

G. NEW BUSINESS

1. White Elephant Grant

The Board discussed the amount to ask for in the grant application.

• The Vestry had approved SLFN request to put a small greenhouse at SPFF. The size approved was 8’ x 8’. Mr. MacLane feels this is really too small and that a hoop house would be a better option.
• There is a used 20’ x 60’ greenhouse for sale. Original value is about $20k, however it does not include the mechanical components which would cost about $5,000. This would be a great asset to SLFN, but is too large for SPFF and would require more volunteers to run it.
• Lisa volunteered to ask the Vestry what is the largest size greenhouse they would approve.
• Doug suggested the grant funds could be used to support the 2010 Farmers Market.
• Kerry agreed and said that we should continue pursuing the greenhouse idea outside the grant.

H. Action Items

• Plan for maximizing 2010 SPFF production. Ask Florence Welsh if she will provide advice.
• Help to print and distribute Florence Welsh’s gardening booklet.
• Arrange for Shane Smith’s visit to Sitka. Date suggested was April 22nd – Earth Day.
• Organize 2010 “Let’s Grow Sitka” event.

MOTION: M/S Wilson/MacLane moved to approve holding the 2010 “Let’s Grow Sitka” event in conjunction with Sitka Artigras on either Saturday, March 13 or Sunday March 14.

ACTION: Motion PASSED unanimously 6/0 on a voice vote.

I. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: M/S MacLane/Osborne moved to adjourn the meeting.

ACTION: Motion PASSED unanimously on a voice vote.

The meeting adjourned at 1:10 pm.