

2018 Annual Member Meeting Minutes  
October 16, 2018  
Administrative Assistant: Melissa Gordon  
Start time: 5:30pm

1. Registration of Members
2. Approval of 2017 AMM minutes
  - a. There was no discussion.
  - b. Nancy Reynolds motioned to approve the 2017 minutes. Diane Stevens seconded.
3. Annual Reports
  - a. President's Report
    - i. Board-to-owner communication has increased through use of an in-store board bulletin board and social media.
    - ii. The board is discussing potential by-law changes to be presented to the membership in 2019.
    - iii. The board will be working with a consultant on a 5-year strategic plan.
    - iv. Committee chairs provided an update on each of the four board committees (board development, AMM, membership outreach, and social equity).
    - v. Bluff Country Co-op started a Community Fund this year. In celebration of Co-op Month, we are running a round up at the register campaign throughout October. All proceeds go to our fund.
  - b. Financial Report
    - i. Our post-expansion sales have outpaced projections.
    - ii. We will not return patronage dividends this year; we will return preferred share dividends.
  - c. GM Report
    - i. Fair Economic Practices
      1. As a result of our expansion, we added 5 new employees and created a safer, more efficient workplace.
    - ii. Food and Environmental Integrity
      1. Our local sales saw a 33.4% increase this year.
      2. We installed Winona's first downtown EV charging station this summer.
    - iii. Commitment to Community
      1. Our Community Fund started this year. Our new Community Room has been utilized by many groups. We are represented in the Winona Wellbeing Collaborative and the Winona Green Ribbon Commission.
4. Election of Directors
  - a. Terri Hansen was elected through a voice vote.
5. Unfinished Business
  - a. There was no unfinished business.

6. New Business
  - a. There was no new business.
7. Adjournment