

PFMA MINUTES OF MEETING
MARCH 4, 2023, 6:00 PM
VIA ZOOM

Meeting began at approximately 6:05 pm. Caitlin was driving, so Doug moderated the meeting until she was able to assume the duty.

Those in attendance:

Caitlin Jordan, Alewives Brook Farm
Carolyn Snell, Snell Family Farm
Hanne Tierney, Cornerstone Farm
Cindy Creps, Meadow Ridge Perennial Farm
Cathy Karonis, Fairwinds Farm
Erin Donahue & David Andres, Tiny Acres Farm
Doug & Heather Donahue, Balfour Farm
Lauren Bruns, Lost and Found Farm
Jessi; JessiWayne Farm
EmilySelinger; Emily's Oysters
Carl Johanson, Goranson Farm
Jan Goranson, Goranson Farm
Ruby Nelson, Merrifield Farm
Kelby Young, Olde Haven Farm
Jessica, Good Shepherd Farm
Daniel, 30 Acre Farm
Mike Farwell, Uncle's Farm

The first item discussed was the Budget - Dues Increase.

After a brief discussion of the proposed options which were attached to the Agenda, a motion was made by Hanne to accept Option C; Cindy seconded the motion. A vote was held and a motion was passed.

Option C: Increase Membership Fees to \$300 (up from \$200)

Result: \$3400+ additional depending on # of farms.

Second item was the Buy in Requests. For each buy-in request, Hanne made a motion that we accept the buy - in proposals to vote on by the individual market; Carolyn seconded each motion. (Exception of chicken; motion made by Jessi; seconded by Carolyn).

Results are as follows:

	Wednesday	Sat	Winter
Apples	Yes	Yes	Yes
Other Tree Fruits	Yes	Yes	N/A
Blueberries, HB	Yes	Yes	NA
Blueberries, LB	Yes	No	N/A
Raspberries	Yes	Yes	N/A
Strawberries	No	No	N/A
Cranberries	Yes	Yes	Yes
Eggs	No	No	N/A
Ferments	N/A	N/A	Yes
Goat Cheese	No	Yes	No
Honey	No	No	Yes
Maine Pizza Dough	Yes	Yes	Yes
Maple Products	No	N/A	No
Grains	Yes	Yes	Yes
Chicken	No	N/A	N/A

Ruby brought up a reminder that buy-in products need to be labeled as such; asked that market managers check on this at the markets.

Regarding Maple; it was reminded that it has to come from trees tapped in Maine.

Next item: New Buy-in rule for the winter markets

After discussion, Verbage of the proposal rule change to item #5 was amended to read the following:

- a. All members shall certify that any product offered for sale shall be of their own raising. In addition, members may also sell identified voids (products that the current market vendors do not supply enough of) approved by popular vote, for all markets, at the March Buy-In Meeting.
- b. Market members must list on their application all items they expect to be buying in. These items will be reviewed at the annual Buy-In Meeting in March. For additional consideration, updates can be made for Winter Market Buy-Ins at the September Winter Market Meeting. Winter Market Members must email any amendments to their buy-Ins to the membership coordinator by September 1st.

Cindy made a motion that the proposed rule change be accepted as amended; Doug seconded the motion. Vote was made; motion approved.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:30 pm

