**OVFC Board Meeting**

**Minutes**

**Thursday, December 3, 2019**

In attendance: Dan, Cheryl, Dwight, Bob, Chris, Ashleigh

Regrets:Marilyn, Joanne, Gregg, Marshall, Sarah

**1. Administration**

The agenda was approved.

The minutes of the October 31 meeting were approved.

**2. Orders**

November Sales were $7992.57, a bit less than last year which was $8129. 77 customers ordered from 27 producers.14 signed and 6 ordered. Another 6 who had ordered through the test drive ordered again. December is the last month for the test drive

Those who signed, how they found out about us:

4 – online

4 – Facebook

1 - Other

3 – word of mouth.

Ashleigh contacted all the new customers regarding our order system and there were no ordering errors.

Cheryl will send a holiday greeting email to all members a few days before Christmas.

**3. Marketing**

There was some discussion regarding Megan Conway’s presentation at the October 31 meeting about sales to local food stores. One view is that all we can do is to advertise this to our producers. Ashleigh has sent a memo to the owner of the ValuMart in Deep River. No reply yet.

**Insurance**– do producers need insurance. For meat, as long as it is butchered at a government inspected company, insurance is not needed. There is an outstanding application from a new producer who is preparing food in her own home. The view is that she needs insurance, but probably not all producers do have insurance. Insurance is not needed for some sales to farmer’s markets, and the food co-op is governed by the same rules. What is the history of the insurance question on the application form?

**Posters**- to come.

**4. Financial**- no report.

**5. Fundraising**

**Lottery**– Dan has the prize money in hand, but is having problems getting the lic ense. Ashleigh and Dwight volunteered to help. The proposed date for the draw is late August or early September.

**6 . Events**- none

**7. Any Other Business**– none

**8. Next Meeting.**

Dan will be away in January. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 4 at Bob’s place. 12:30 for lunch. Meeting starts at 1:15.