

Minutes of the 2010 Annual General Meeting
Fraser Valley Gleaners Society
Held April 17, 2010 at 10:00 AM
At 85 Winson Rd, Abbotsford, B.C.

(1) Peter Funk, Board Chairman, called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM. and welcomed all members and guests.

(2) Bob Spyksma gave the **invocation** using the scripture from Matthew 24:36-51 dealing with stewardship and faithfulness, followed by an opening prayer.

(3) The **agenda** was approved. MSC: Peter Funk/John Fast.

(4) The **minutes of the 2009 AGM** , included in the member packet, was presented by Secretary Art Magner.

Minutes accepted MSC Art Magner/Doug Wiebe

(5) The **President's Report** was presented by President Peter Funk. Peter gave an overview of his written report included in the member packet.

Report accepted. MSC: Peter Funk/E. Klassen.

(6) The **Plant Manager's Report** was presented by Carl Goosen. Carl gave an overview of his written report included in the member packet. Carl thanked and expressed his appreciation for all volunteers. He answered a member's question regarding the verification of food shipments. All food shipments require a formal application, vetted and approved by the Distribution Committee, and require written reports from the distributing organization. No negative reports have been received to date.

Report accepted. MSC: Carl Goosen/Peter Funk

(7) The **Facility Committee Report** was presented by Benno Toews. Benno gave an overview of his written report included in the member packet.

Report accepted. MSC: Benno Toews/Jack Friesen

(8)The **Financial Report** for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2009 was presented by Treasurer, Karyn Santiago. Karyn gave an overview of her written report included in the member packet and answered several questions from members. She gave special thanks to Messrs. Henry Dick and Steve Wiens for their Internal Review Committee Report included in the member packet. She also pointed out that the fiscal year 2009 financial statement is prepared on a cash basis but commencing with the 2010 fiscal year, all financial reporting will be on the accrual basis. There will be no change or effect to operations..

Report accepted. MSC: Karyn Santiago/Fred Loewen

(9) The **Kitchen Hospitality Report** was presented by Anne VanderMeulen. Anne commented on her report included in the member packet.. She thanked all the dedicated ladies who provide this much welcomed amenity to the volunteers each day at the Gleaners. She responded to a question

regarding funding for the kitchen operations. While revenue from recycling returnable containers covers the cost of coffee, newspaper recycling is no longer available and other kitchen costs must be funded from the Gleaner's operating budget.

Report accepted. MSC: Anne VanderMeulen/Bob Spyksma

(10) The **Okanagan Gleaners Report** was presented by Peter Funk on behalf of John Martens. Peter Funk commented on John Marten's written report included in the member packet. In addition, Peter read out an email letter from John Martens regarding "bin sharing" with the Fraser Valley Gleaners of approximately 150 bins purchased by Okanagan Gleaners for the storage of product obtained from Lucerne Foods Ltd. and local Fraser Valley growers, and subsequently used by both Fraser Valley Gleaners and Okanagan Gleaners.

Note from recording secretary:

No formal motion was made to endorse this arrangement in principle, as requested in the email. However, an addendum will be added to the Annual Memorandum of Agreement between Fraser Valley Gleaners and Okanagan Gleaners formally documenting this arrangement.

Report accepted. MSC: Peter Funk/Peter Dyck

(11) The **Sourcing Committee Report** was presented by Ed Klassen. Ed Klassen gave an overview of his written report included in the member packet and responded to some questions from a member. He assured the member that the supply of frozen product from Lucerne Foods Ltd. was relatively secure for the foreseeable future.

Report accepted. MSC: Ed Klassen/Bob Spyksma

(12) The **Publicity Committee Report** was presented by Karyn Santiago. Karyn gave an overview of the written report included in the member packet.

Report accepted. MSC: Karyn Santiago/Peter Letkeman

(13) The **Board of Directors Strategic Planning Goals Report** was presented by Fred Loewen. Fred gave an overview of his written report included in the member packet. In response to a member's question Fred stated that mixing and packaging of the soup mix is generally carried out only once per year (usually January) because the volunteer labour is needed in the summer months to process fresh product readily available at that time of year and all ingredients for the soup mix are not available until late in the year.

Report accepted. MSC: Fred Loewen/Ed Klassen.

(14) The **Operating Budget for 2010** was presented by Karyn Santiago. Karyn gave an overview of the written report included in the member packet and answered some questions from members.

Report accepted. MSC: Karyn Santiago/Doug Wiebe

(15) **Election of Directors** was conducted by Ed Klassen. Ed gave an explanation on the procedures followed for the recruiting and application process. Generally, Directors are elected for a term of two years.

The following Directors are retiring after completion of their term of offices and are not seeking re-election: Peter Funk, Benno Toews, Art Magner

The following Directors' term of office has expired and are seeking re-election: Karen Santiago, Anne VanderMeulen Note (1)

Note (1) Ed Klassen, in his opening comments stated that no women candidates were located or came forth. It is the Board's wish that the Board be comprised of at least two women. In view of that, Anne VanderMeulen agreed to stand for re-election and serve until a suitable woman Board member can be appointed pending the next AGM.

Ed Klassen introduced the three new candidates to be elected and referred the assembly to the written biographies of the individuals included in the member packet. Ed explained that one of the candidates, Dan Hiebert, had withdrawn, and the biography of candidate, Richard Loewen was read to the assembly.

The following incumbent directors whose terms expired at the 2010 AGM were elected (by acclamation) to serve two year terms expiring at the 2012 AGM

Karyn Santiago, Ed Klassen, Anne VanderMeulen (subject to note (1) above,

MSC: Peter Funk/Doug Wiebe.

The following persons were elected (by acclamation) to serve two year terms expiring at the 2012 AGM

Jack Weyh, Henry Schultz, Richard Loewen

MSC: Ed Klassen/Anne VanderMeulen.

The entire Board of Directors for the 2010 fiscal year was introduced to the assembly

Fraser Valley Gleaners bylaw ammendment

Motion: FraserValley Gleaners bylaw 26(1) be amended by adding the sentence, "Directors may be re-elected to office no more than 3 consecutive, two year terms, after which they will not be eligible for re-election for a period of two years"

MSC: Bob .Spyksma/Fred Loewen

(16) **Tribute to outgoing Directors.** Doug Wiebe gave the tribute to outgoing Directors Peter Funk, Benno Toews and Art Magner. Peter Funk has served on the board since inception and as chairman for several years. Benno Toews has served on the Board for six years holding the facilities portfolio. Art Magner has served on the Board for a one year appointment term and one two-year elected term. For most of the three years he held the portfolio of Secretary.

(17) **Special Speakers,** Star Fish Ministries- Bernie Bovenkamp, Lynden WA and Doug Jarvie, Langley, BC, gave an overview and video presentation of how Fraser Valley Gleaners has aided their work in Haiti. The presentation highlighted the importance and significance of the

Gleaner's dried soup mix in disaster relief in the recent earthquake in Haiti as well as their other humanitarian work in that country and their proclaiming the Great Commission of Jesus Christ to the people of Haiti.

Mennonite Central Committee- Phil Shafran and Dennis Vogt gave a presentation on their work in North Korea and how the Fraser Valley Gleaner's soup mix plays an important part in their work there and in other parts of the world..

(18) Carl Goosen gave the closing comments. He gave praise to all of the volunteers, to the members and to God. Without all of these, the wonderful work of the Gleaners could not happen.

(19) Peter Funk then closed the meeting in prayer.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 AM followed by a barbeque lunch.

A total of 98 attended the meeting registered as members. An estimated 10-15 non registered members also attended.

Fraser Valley Gleaners Board Of Directors

Directors' Two year terms expire at the AGM of the years shown

	2010	2011	2012
Klassen, Ed			
Loewen, Fred			
Loewen, Richard			
Santiago, Karyn			
Schultz, Henry			
Spyksma, Bob			
Unger, Wally			
VanderMeulen, Anne			
Weibe, Doug			
Weyh, Jack			