

New Orleans Food Community
Board of Directors Meeting
28 October 2005
1203 Ursulines Street
6:00 pm - 7:30 pm
minutes

Present
John Calhoun
Karley Frankic
Erin Laine

Proxies
Bridget Kelly
Betsy Heminway

Call to Order 6:19

Treasurer

Treasurer Report Treasurer Present
Need an accounting of our money

Banking

Hope Credit Union is not open in New Orleans
Our money can be withdrawn by ATM
ASI Federal Credit Union is open in New Orleans
Need BOD action to transfer funds into new accounts to be set up at the ASI
Credit Union in New Orleans
John Calhoun moved to open an account at ASI and transfer Hope Credit Union
Accounts. Erin Laine seconded the motion and all present voted in favor of the
motion

Property

N. Rampart St. Property

Available for free to free months
Can run buying club distributions without build out of space
Can negotiate to clean up and install shelves and registers and lights for a bare
bones store
Owner has not put a figure on renting the space in February
We should not do any long term renovations to the space

Erin Laine wants to work out the preliminary numbers for operational cost before
we enter into any long term agreements. Leenie Halbert, via proxy, suggested that
we use the space to collect fixtures other materials for our long term space. Erin
Laine want something in writing for after the three months, clean up the space, use
it for distribution and negotiate the terms of the long term agreement. John
Calhoun not interested in a distribution site, wants a grocery store open now. John
Calhoun, Erin Laine and Karley Frankic will meet with Steve Kaplan, the owner, to
work out the details before the BOD votes on the long term agreement. Erin

Laine will contact Budd Hirons about working out the numbers for this space. John Calhoun wants to explore other space and will contact the owner of the former Aquarians: want to open a storefront ASAP.

Phoenix Stables

We have not heard back from Jeff Treffinger or James Michalopolous
Need to assess our long term interest in this property as a part of our long term planning
BOD discussed and we agree that we can not pursue this at this time. Karley Frankic will try to contact Jeff Treffinger to get a feel for their situation

Legal

Buying Club

The sale of the Buying Club to the NOFC needs to be finalized
Can that money be used for the opening of a distribution/sales store?
Budd Hirons and Bridget Kelly need to work it out

Incorporation

Status of nonprofit and incorporation
Do we need a separate entity to lease space for buying club distribution/store space?
Need a report from legal committee

Annual meeting

Was supposed to be October 15th
Need BOD action to reschedule in December
Karley move to hold the annual meeting, January 5th, Thursday at 6:30, place to be determined.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:45 pm