PCFB Annual General Meeting: November 27th 2024

Attendees: Sherri, Laurie, Miles, Jane, Alex, Jag, Avi, Liza, Matthew, Tara, Tom Regrets: None

Rosemary McManus (an external facilitator) welcomed everyone to the meeting and expressed her gratitude for joining the board for their Annual General Meeting.

Laurie, introduced all board members to the room.

Motions

Motion to adopt the 2023/2024 AGM Minutes: Moved by Laurie, seconded by Alex. In favour: all present.

Laurie and Kitty presented their annual update: 2023/2024 Annual Update Slides

Motion to Approve the 2023/2024 Audited Financial Statements: Moved by Laurie, seconded by Alex. In favour: all present.

Motion to reappoint last year's auditors (Edward & Manning): Moved by Laurie,

seconded by Liza . In favour: all present.

Question & Answer:

- Finances:
 - A community member requested more information about our finances
 - Another community member asked for more information about our spending; requested that moving forward a snapshot of the finances is not normalized
- Volunteering
 - A community member asked for more information about the gift wrapping booth; when is it running and how can I sign up to volunteer at it?
 - A community member gave a shout out to Denis (volunteer) for all the hard work he does; acknowledged and highlighted all of the hard work that volunteers do to help the food bank operate

• Operations:

- A community member brought up the line up and how difficult it is to wait outside during the harsher winter and summer months. Mentioned that the weather sometimes deters them from visiting the food bank when they need to
- A community member acknowledged that the staff members who are on site every day work very hard; special shout out to Kelly, Clare, and Jeremy for the work that they do.
- A community member brought up the fact that they do not feel community concerns are being heard and addressed; specifically highlighted the line up and the numbers system
- A community member encouraged the organisation to participate in more advocacy efforts
- A community member encouraged the organisation to stop accepting and highlighting donations from corporate donors; corporations are the root of the problem and PCFB is making them 'look good' by highlighting and accepting their donations

• Board Attendance:

- A community member mentioned that they were happy to see the board members all present at the meeting and mentioned how they had not seen some of them volunteer at the food bank; encouraged them to come volunteer so they can have more awareness about the day to day operations
- Another community member acknowledged that they were happy to see all board members present; mentioned that there were several board members absent at last year's meeting