### **MINUTES**

FBFC Board of Directors Meeting 5-21-2020 This meeting was held online during the Covid-19 pandemic.

Meeting started at 5:30 pm and ended at 7:45 pm.

**Board members present:** Pauline Heyne (President), Ashley See (Vice President), Adam Bowers (Treasurer), Paul Schulman (Secretary), Jennifer Heeder, Josh Littlejohn, Josh O'Conner, Zan Naar, Christa Hamilton

Board members absent: Danielle Goldstein

Others present: Bobby Sullivan, General Manager (GM); Sage Turner, CFO; Jean Karpen, Board assistant

# **Meeting Summary:**

- GM report
- Edit & update GM monitoring report schedule for 2020
- Finance committee report
- Executive Session
- Discussion of Annual Meeting & Board elections
- Discussion how to show gratitude to staff

**Approve agenda:** Approved as presented.

**Approve minutes of** 4-16-2020 approved as presented.

**GM Report:** Bobby submitted a written report with an update on store operations, staff, and finances. Discussion followed.

**Monitoring Reports:** B Global Executive Constraint approved.

Due to changes brought on by Covid 19, the Board approved the following changes to the schedule of Monitoring Reports for 2020: (Ashley will send revised schedule.)

- Suspend March meeting's *B2 Planning & Budgeting* because of the combined complexities of Earth Fare closing (soon reopening) and the onset of the pandemic.
- Move April's B5 Treatment of Customers and B6 Staff Treatment to August
- Move May's *B1 Financial Condition* to June (May's meeting took care of the *B Global Executive Constraints* report from March)
- Move June's *B2 Planning & Budgeting* to July
- Keep July's B7 Communication to the Board and B8 Board Logistical Support
- Keep August's B1 Financial Condition and do B5 and B6 from April
- Follow the rest of the schedule for the year

# **Finance Committee report:**

- Decision to look at first quarter financials next month. Adam will meet with Sage in the meantime for updates.
- PPP funds have come through.
- Ad spending is down dramatically.
- There is some uncertainty about our potential future revenue when Earth Fare reopens.
- Because of the Covid chaos, we did not do a physical inventory at the end of March. We are tentatively planning to do inventory at the end of June.
- Sage plans to do an audit of the Double Up Food Bucks program.

### **Executive Session to discuss real estate**

# **Board elections and Annual Meeting:**

- Suggestion to wait a bit on a final decision about meeting & election. State may provide guidance as to how meetings and elections may be held online.
- We should start recruiting Board applications now. Encourage people to apply and to start attending Board meetings now.
- Agenda item for June executive committee call how to open Board Meetings to owners.
- Need communication to owners. Show owners we're still here and still working.
- Clare would like a statement from the Board ASAP about postponement of the annual meeting.
- Could have an additional meeting during 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> quarter, if this one is successful.
- Keep meeting simple 1 to 1.5 hour, via Zoom, GM report, Board comments, owner feedback.
- Decision to set a date that's comfortable for all.
- Pauline will send a Doodle Poll tonight with date options so we can set a meeting date. Board members are asked to respond by tomorrow afternoon (May 22).

#### **Gratitude for Staff:**

- Decision to provide a meal, in some way, for staff. Make sure we cover everyone on staff at least once.
- Suggestions:
  - o GM suggests that on-shift is not best. Schedule is currently haphazard. Consider doing something at a different location.
  - Could have 2 different gatherings. Give a gift certificate to those not working on the day of either event.
  - Choose a restaurant with a wide variety of options & give everyone a gift certificate of the same amount.
- Pauline will check with restaurants, talk with Bobby & Clare and figure out what is best way to make this happen. Maybe cover 2 main shifts & then give gift cards to those who are not there at the time.
- Plan to do it the first week of June.

**Agenda items not covered or unfinished:** Annual meeting and Board elections

Additional items for next month's agenda: Review financial reports for Quarter 1.

Next meeting will be June 18, 2020 at 5:30 pm.

Jean Karpen, Board Assistant