

113012- Commentary – committee meetings

During the past two years, the business of the cooperative has shifted from the open (to the members) Board of Trustees Meetings to closed Committee Meetings. There have been many questions raised about the legality of these meeting and the attendees. It is illegal for a quorum of the board to meet together. In the past any trustees whether on the committee or not could attend all committee meetings as an observer but that practice was stopped and Charlie Wagner was barred from attendance. The committee reports to the full board which rubber stamps the committee recommendations. Keep in mind that this board has 5 trustees from District 3; 1 trustee each from Districts 1, 2, & 4; and no trustee from District 5. There will be a change in January, 2013 when District 3 will only have 3 trustees and all other districts will have one each. Those of you interested in following the workings of the board should check the tapes covering the committee reports. The reports are attached for your additional information and will be posted for download at www.informedcynic.com

Special interest should be paid to the two November meetings reports from the ANNUAL MEETING COMMITTEE MEETING. Members might like to express their opinions on the issues discussed. It is after all a MEMBERS' MEETING.

From November 8, 2012 committee meeting:

Should they have SEC vendors donate door prizes? Let's hear from vendors especially.

Should there be a guest speaker?

Where shall the meeting be held? What about the notice? (Last year's was solely in the Enchantment Magazine and the items to be voted on very confusing.)

From November 26, 2012 committee meeting:

Discussion on setting a timeframe for the mail-in ballot process.

Discussion on guest speaker, awarding of door prizes (these would be cash put up by the co-op), the program and agenda for the meeting.