

**Information For Nomination
of
St. John's Farmer's Market Cooperative Board of Directors**

Complete and submit the nomination paper signed by one co-op member.

Basic Board Structure and Responsibilities

The co-op is governed by a Board of Directors who are elected by the members. The Board is directly accountable to these members for the activities and accomplishments of the co-op.

The Board itself operates in accordance with the by-laws and policies it has set for itself.

Eligibility

As stated in the co-op by-laws, the board consists of no more than twelve members (six vendors and six Consumers). Each must be a member in good standing.

More about Board Member Qualifications, Commitments and Rewards

Being an effective board member **requires** the following general skills and qualities:

- Interest in serving the St. John's Farmer's Market Co-op and commitment to its mission and values
- Ability to discuss conflicting goals and future implications of decisions
- Communication and group process skills

There is reading that is required to prepare for each meeting, generally in a combination of emails. Board members also serve on Committees and attend various member meetings, including the Annual General Meeting and work on outside projects or proposals.

The chief reward for serving on the Board is the satisfaction which comes from doing useful work.

The application and nomination forms are due at the Annual General Meeting Scheduled for

This, our first AGM will require that we elect half the Directors for one year, and half for two years. Please indicate your preference on the application form. Hereafter, half the Directors will be elected each year for two year terms.

Candidate information is posted at the Annual General Meeting so that it can be reviewed by the membership prior to voting. Our goal is to have many nominations so that members have a choice in shaping their Board!

Please email your completed forms to: sjfmmc@gmail.com a couple of days prior to the AGM so we can have copies made for the meeting.

Thank you for considering running for a board of directors seat for your co-op!

Nomination Form
St. John's Farmer's Market Cooperative Board of Directors

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone- daytime _____ Evenings _____

Email address _____

Type of Membership:

Vendor Consumer

Term Length:

1 Year _____ 2 Years _____

Please answer the following questions (and feel free to attach additional information):

1. Why do you wish to serve on the Board?

2. What do you see as the significance of the Farmer's Market and your relationship to it?

3. Are there any specialized skills or other community or organizational experience you would bring to your board service? Please be specific.

4. Is there any relevant or irrelevant, attributes that you would like us to know about you?

Nominator: _____

Thank you very much for your interest in the co-op and its governance!