

2018 MARKETPLACE BOARD ELECTIONS

May 2, 2018

Greetings to our loyal owners!

The Chatham Marketplace Board of Directors is recruiting candidates for our Board elections in July 2018. We need your help in making this the best possible Chatham Marketplace Board of Directors! Please consider running for the Board, or recruit friends or neighbors who are CM owners and who you think would be a strong asset to the Board. Details will be available in the store. You may also contact any Board member with questions.



We really need some of our loyal owners to step up and serve on the Board. As you know the past year has been very challenging for Chatham Marketplace. We have recently made a lot of changes in the store and are working hard to have a successful and profitable co-op. We brought on a consultant who is now interim General Manager (GM) and he has already made many improvements in the store. We need a new Board members to help us continue on this path. The next few years will be an exciting and challenging time to serve on the Board as our local area grows and changes.

The Board plays an important role in the continued success of Chatham Marketplace (CM). We represent all 1,860 active owners as we develop the vision for the Co-op's future and assure its long-term viability.

We do not exercise direct control of daily operations; that is the responsibility of the GM. The Board

operates under a system called "Policy Governance." The Board creates policies that require our GM to avoid specific situations and results that would be detrimental to the Co-op. As long as the GM is compliant with these restrictions, he has the freedom to use his skills, knowledge and creativity to attain operational success. The GM reports to the Board on policies and actions on a monthly basis.

CM has fostered a sense of community in our area. Help to continue and increase this END by becoming a member of your Board. An owner may attend a Board meeting at any time. Our next meeting is May23rd at 5:30 pm at Chatham County Library. Contact any Board member for meeting details. Generally, meeting time is 4th Wednesday of every month at 5:30 PM at Chatham County Library.

We have a loyal, supportive ownership and you can help develop future visions for CM by working with the GM and owners as a Board member.

The Board wants CM to continue to fulfill our ENDS by supplying healthy, quality food, being a community hub and supporting the local economy. We are unique in having these goals and we need to emphasize them in the future even as competition increases. You can help the Co-op continue to achieve these ENDS by considering a term on the Board.

Details about Board policies, meetings, and information on candidate filing will be available in the store and on the CM website <http://chathammarketplace.coop>. Information can also be sent to you online by emailing David Misenheimer (dmisen@gmail.com).

Thank you for your interest!

**Chatham Marketplace Board of Directors
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