

**Eastern Gardens Cooperative, Inc.**  
**Executive Session of the Board of Directors**  
**August 24, 2011 Closed Meeting Minutes**

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The executive closed session meeting by the board of director's was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Mr. James Patrick. Roll call showed the following officers/board directors and guests present:

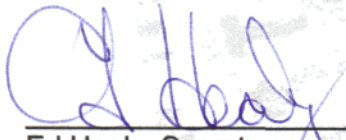
James Patrick, President/Board Director  
Chris Manning, Board Member  
Gary Haugstad, Portfolio Mgr., FPI  
Absent: Kathy Slotterback, V.P./Board Director  
Donna Schmelz, Treasurer/Board Director

Ed Healy, Secretary/Board Director  
Diane McKee, Alternate Director

**SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. In accordance with Eastern Garden's (EG) bylaws and HUD requirements a special meeting is called to establish EG's 2012 budget. Mr. Haugstad presented the board with a proposed draft for the 2012 budget.  
**Board action:** Motion by Secretary Mr. Ed Healy, second by Board Member Mr. Chris Manning and carried 4 yeas – 0 nays approving the proposed budget. Raising the Operating Cost Adjustment Factor (OCAF) and EG's carrying charges approximately \$5-10 more a month.
2. Review; discuss and establish the annual membership fee/share. (See comparisons of other cooperatives)  
**Board action:** Motion by Board Member Mr. Chris Manning, second by Acting Board Member Mrs. Diane McKee and carried 4 yeas – 0 nays approving a 1% (one percent) increase on EG's membership fee, (a.k.a. share buy-in), no longer referred to as equity share or equity buy-in, per EG's bylaws Article XI Section 2(b)1. The membership fee shall become effective on January 1, 2012 and be applied for the entire year which shall increase 1% every January or until the Board instructs otherwise.
3. Review; discuss letters from the membership and management.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm

  
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Ed Healy, Secretary

