



**Ontario Processing
Vegetable Growers**



2021 Resolutions Response

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CHAIR'S MESSAGE

Dear District Representatives, Growers and Delegates,

On behalf of the OPVG Board, thank you for participating in the Resolution process. Your efforts in helping to provide guidance and direction to the Board is greatly appreciated and provides a valuable means for the OPVG Board to capture your input.

This Resolutions Response report contains the actions taken and planned with respect to each Resolution. Please review the noted responses from the Board. Should you have any questions, please contact your District representative or the Board office.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Dave Hope". The signature is cursive and somewhat stylized.

Dave Hope, Chair



**REPORT ON THE RESOLUTIONS
FROM GROWER BUSINESS SESSION
HELD MARCH 30, 2021
VIA ZOOM
77th Annual General Meeting**

GENERAL

Resolution 21-01	Be it resolved that the OPVG lobby the provincial and federal governments to loosen border restrictions as early as possible in 2021 to allow travel for labour. This labour pool is necessary to the province as early as April 2021 to work in vegetable crops.	Carried
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Report	OPVG works with the Ontario Fruit & Vegetable Growers Association, the Canadian Horticultural Council and other organizations on the issue of Temporary Foreign Workers for the sector. We continue to seek ways to reduce the challenges of obtaining labour for our crops.
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Resolution 21-02	Whereas no processor has appointed a grower to a negotiation committee therefore be it resolved that for tomatoes and carrots, the negotiation agency be comprised of 5 elected growers.	Carried
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Report	OPVG is compiling our recommendations for the Farm Products Marketing Commission regulations and this includes a number of improvements to make the regulations practical and cost effective. The Board would be supportive of change to the negotiation committee to allow up to 5 elected growers on the committee. This allows flexibility in the number of members on a committee.
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GENERAL

**Resolution
21-03**

Be it resolved that each year the members of elected tomato and carrot grower negotiation agencies receive a one-time honorarium of \$1,000 each, with the lead negotiator receiving \$1,500 to help cover the cost of negotiations.

Lost

