

499.47B Sale or other disposition of assets other than in regular course of business.

A sale, lease, exchange, or other disposition of all, or substantially all, the property and assets, with or without the goodwill, of a cooperative association organized under this chapter, if not made in the usual and regular course of its business, may be made upon the terms and conditions and for such consideration, which may consist in whole or in part of money or property, real or personal, including shares of any other cooperative association organized under this chapter, as may be authorized in the following manner:

1. The board of directors shall adopt a resolution recommending the sale, lease, exchange, or other disposition and directing the submission thereof to a vote at a meeting of the membership, which may either be an annual or a special meeting.
2. Written or printed notice shall be given to each member of record entitled to vote at the meeting within the time and in the manner provided in this chapter for the giving of notice of meetings of members, and, whether the meeting be an annual or a special meeting, shall state that the purpose, or one of the purposes, of the meeting is to consider the proposed sale, lease, exchange, or other disposition of substantially all of the property and assets of the cooperative association.
3. At the meeting the membership may authorize the sale, lease, exchange, or other disposition and may fix, or may authorize the board of directors to fix, any or all of the terms and conditions thereof and the consideration to be received by the cooperative association. Such authorization shall be approved if two-thirds of the members vote affirmatively on a ballot in which a majority of all voting members participate.
4. After such authorization by a vote of members, the board of directors nevertheless, in its discretion, may abandon the sale, lease, exchange, or other disposition of assets, subject to the rights of third parties under any contracts relating thereto, without further action or approval by the members.