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(Date of commencement of measures for electronic provision: June 1, 2024)

#### To Shareholders with Voting Rights:

Sumito Kawano President and Representative Director YAOKO CO., LTD. 1-10-1 Arajukumachi, Kawagoe-shi, Saitama Prefecture, Japan

# NOTICE OF THE 67th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

Dear Shareholders:

We would like to express our appreciation for your continued support and patronage.

We hereby inform you that the 67th Annual General Meeting of Shareholders of YAOKO CO., LTD. (the "Company") will be held as described below.

The Company has taken measures for electronic provision for the convocation of this General Meeting of Shareholders and has posted the matters to be provided electronically on the website below as the "Notice of the 67th Annual General Meeting of Shareholders."

The Company's website: https://www.yaoko-net.com/en/

In addition to the above, the matters to be provided electronically are also posted on the website below.

The Tokyo Stock Exchange's website (Listed Company Search) https://www2.jpx.co.jp/tseHpFront/JJK020010Action.do?Show=Show

Please access the Tokyo Stock Exchange's website above, enter "YAOKO" in Issue name (Company's name) or "8279" in Code, and select "Basic information" and then "Documents for public inspection/PR information" to view the information.

If you are unable to attend the meeting, you may exercise your voting rights in writing or via the internet, so please exercise your voting rights by 6:00 p.m. on Monday, June 24, 2024, Japan time.

1. Date and Time: Tuesday, June 25, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. Japan time

(The reception desk opens at 9:00 a.m.)

**2. Place:** YAOKO Support Center (Head Office)

1-10-1 Arajukumachi, Kawagoe-shi, Saitama Prefecture, Japan

3. Meeting Agenda:

Matters to be reported:1. The Business Report and Consolidated Financial Statements for the

Company's 67th Fiscal Year (April 1, 2023 - March 31, 2024) and results of audits by the Accounting Auditor and the Board of Corporate

Auditors of the Consolidated Financial Statements

2. Non-consolidated Financial Statements for the Company's 67th Fiscal Year (April 1, 2023 - March 31, 2024)

#### **Proposals to be resolved:**

Proposal 1: Appropriation of Surplus
Proposal 2: Election of Eight (8) Directors
Proposal 3: Election of Four (4) Auditors

#### 4. Other Matters Concerning This Notice:

Pursuant to laws and regulations and the Company's Articles of Incorporation, among the matters to be provided electronically, the following items are not included in the written document to be delivered to shareholders, regardless of whether or not a request for delivery of the written document is made. The Auditors and the Accounting Auditor have audited the documents to be audited, including the following.

- Systems for Ensuring Appropriateness of Operations
- Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity and Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements
- Non-consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity and Notes to Non-Consolidated Financial Statements
- When attending the meeting, please submit the enclosed Voting Rights Exercise Form at the reception desk on the day of the meeting.
- Should the matters to be provided electronically require revisions, the revised versions will be posted on the websites listing them.

## Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders

#### **Proposals and References**

#### **Proposal 1:** Appropriation of Surplus

Regarding appropriation of surplus, upon comprehensive consideration of maintaining payment of stable dividends and appropriately returning profits to shareholders as well as securing internal reserve for further strengthening the management foundation and vigorous business development going forward, it is proposed that the year-end dividend for the fiscal year under review be paid as follows.

- Matters concerning year-end dividend
   It is proposed that the year-end dividend for the 67th fiscal year be 67.50 yen per share.

   As the Company paid an interim dividend of 42.50 yen per share in December 2023, the annual dividend will be 110 yen per share.
  - (1) Type of dividend property Cash
  - (2) Matters related to the allotment of dividend property to shareholders and the total amount thereof 67.50 yen per share of the Company's common stock, for a total of 2,799,545,355 yen
  - (3) Effective date of distribution of surplus June 26, 2024
- 2. Other matters concerning appropriation of surplus
  - (1) Item and the amount of surplus to be decreased
    Retained earnings brought forward: 10,000,000,000 yen
  - (2) Item and the amount of surplus to be increased
    General reserve: 10,000,000,000 yen

## **Proposal 2:** Election of Eight (8) Directors

The terms of office of all eight (8) Directors will expire at the conclusion of this General Meeting of Shareholders. Accordingly, the election of eight (8) Directors is proposed.

The candidates for Director are as follows.

No.	Nam	е	Current positions and responsibilities at the Company	Attendance at the Board of Directors meetings
1	Yukio Kawano [Reappointment]		Chairman and Representative Director	13/14
2	Sumito Kawano	[Reappointment]	President and Representative Director	14/14
3	Masanobu Kamiike	[Reappointment]	Senior Managing Director Chief Administrative Officer, in charge of Store Development Division, and General Manager of Finance Department	14/14
4	Takanori Ishizuka	[Reappointment]	Executive Managing Director Chief Director of Sales Management	14/14
5	Hiroaki Yagihashi	[Reappointment]	Director Chief Director of Store Development	14/14
6	Shigeyuki Kurokawa	[Reappointment] [External] [Independent]	External Director	14/14
7	Asako Saito	[Reappointment] [External] [Independent]	External Director	14/14
8	Takashi Kuzuhara	[Reappointment] [External] [Independent]	External Director	14/14

No.	Name (Date of birth)	Career summary, positions, responsibilities, and significant concurrent positions		Number of shares of the Company held
1	Yukio Kawano (April 25, 1942) [Reappointment]	*	Joined Yaoko Ltd., General Manager of Sales Department Reorganized Yaoko Ltd. and established YAOKO CO., LTD.; Director Senior Managing Director, the Company Representative Director, the Company President and Representative Director, the Company Chairman and Representative Director, the Company (to present) urrent positions] ano Masanori Memorial Public Interest Incorporated Promotion of Pediatrics	703,202
	Company's overall man	s been involved in r nagement and the o alfilling his role in o	Director] management for many years and has extensive knowle verall retail industry. As Chairman and Representative decision-making on important management matters, so the Company renominates him as a candidate for Direct	e Director, he apervision of
2	Sumito Kawano (October 27, 1975) [Reappointment]	Representative I	Joined the Company General Manager of Grocery Department, the Company Director; General Manager of Grocery Department, the Company Director; Deputy Director of Management Reform Promotion and General Manager of Grocery Department, the Company Director; Deputy Director of Management Reform Promotion and Deputy Director of Sales Management, the Company Executive Managing Director; Deputy Director of Management Reform Promotion and Deputy Director of Sales Management, the Company Executive Vice President and Representative Director, the Company President and Representative Director, the Company (to present) urrent positions] Director, Ave Co., Ltd. Director, Foocot Co., Ltd. ic Interest Incorporated Foundation YAOKO Child	751,072

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Having accumulated business experience in merchandising, sales, and other departments of the Company, Mr. Sumito Kawano, as President and Representative Director, has been sufficiently fulfilling his role in decision-making on important management matters, supervision of business execution and others. Therefore, the Company renominates him as a candidate for Director.

No.	Name (Date of birth)	Career summary, positions, responsibilities, and significant concurrent positions		Number of shares of the Company held
		January 2005	Joined the Company	1
		April 2008	Chief Director of Store Development and General Manager of Store Development Management Division, the Company	
		June 2008	Director; Chief Director of Store Development and General Manager of Store Development	
		April 2013	Management Division, the Company Director; Chief Director of Business Management, General Manager of Corporate Planning Office, and Chief Director of Human Resources & General	
	Masanobu Kamiike (May 5, 1964)	June 2013	Affairs, the Company Executive Managing Director; Chief Director of Business Management, General Manager of Corporate Planning Office, and Chief Director of Human Resources & General Affairs, the Company	6,100
3	[Reappointment]	March 2019	Executive Managing Director; Chief Director of Business Management, Chief Director of Human Resources & General Affairs, and in charge of Store Development Division, the Company	
		March 2020	Executive Managing Director; Chief Administrative Officer and in charge of Store Development Division, the Company	
		March 2022	Senior Managing Director; Chief Administrative Officer and in charge of Store Development Division, the Company	
		March 2024	Senior Managing Director; Chief of Administrative Officer, in charge of Store Development Division, and General Manager of Finance Department, the Company (to present)	

Mr. Masanobu Kamiike has business experience in store development, business management and other departments of the Company. As Senior Managing Director, he has been sufficiently fulfilling his role in decision-making on important management matters, as well as supervision of business execution and others mainly of corporate planning, finance, human resources, general affairs, and store development departments. Therefore, the Company renominates him as a candidate for Director.

No.	Name (Date of birth)	Career summary, positions, responsibilities, and significant concurrent positions		Number of shares of the Company held
4	Takanori Ishizuka (November 5, 1973)  [Reappointment]	April 1996 February 2012 October 2012 February 2013 April 2015 June 2015 March 2020 March 2021 October 2021	General Manager of Sales Management Office and General Manager in charge of Merchandise Development, the Company General Manager of Sales Management Office, General Manager in charge of Merchandise Development, and General Manager in charge of Operation Promotion, the Company General Manager of Sales Management Office and General Manager in charge of Operation Promotion, the Company General Manager of Delicatessen Division, the Company Director; General Manager of Delicatessen Division, the Company Director; General Manager of Sales Department 1 and Sales Department 2 and in charge of Sales Division, the Company Director; Deputy Director of Sales Management and General Manager of Sales Department 1 and Sales Department 2, the Company Director; Deputy Director of Sales Management, General Manager of Sales Department 1 and Sales Department 2 and in charge of information systems, the Company Executive Managing Director; Chief Director of Sales Management, the Company (to present)	2,164

Mr. Takanori Ishizuka has business experience in sales, merchandise, and other departments of the Company. As Executive Managing Director, he has been sufficiently fulfilling his role in decision-making on important management matters, as well as supervision of business execution and others for overall sales departments. Therefore, the Company renominates him as a candidate for Director.

No.	Name (Date of birth)	Career summary, positions, responsibilities, and significant concurrent positions		Number of shares of the Company held
5	Hiroaki Yagihashi (December 6, 1965) [Reappointment]	October 2008 February 2012 March 2016 June 2017 March 2018  November 2018  March 2019  March 2020  March 2024	General Manager of Store Planning Department, the Company Chief Director of Store Development, the Company Director; Chief Director of Store Development, the Company Director; Chief Director of Store Development, General Manager of Store Development Management Division, and General Manager in charge of Store Development Strategy, the Company Director; Chief Director of Store Development, the Company Director; Chief Director of Store Development, General Manager of Store Development Management Division, and General Manager in charge of Store Development Strategy, the Company Director; Chief Director of Store Development and General Manager of Store Development Management Division, the Company Director; Chief Director of Store Development Management Division, the Company Director; Chief Director of Store Development, the Company (to present)	500

Mr. Hiroaki Yagihashi has business experience in store design, store development, and other departments of the Company. As Director, he has been sufficiently fulfilling his role in decision-making on important management matters, as well as supervision of business execution and others mainly of store development departments. Therefore, the Company renominates him as a candidate for Director.

No.	Name (Date of birth)		Career summary, positions, responsibilities, and significant concurrent positions	
		April 1979	Joined Nomura Securities Co., Ltd.	
		October 2008	Senior Corporate Managing Director in charge of Financial Management Division, Nomura Securities Co., Ltd.	
		April 2009	Director and Managing Executive Officer in charge of Corporate Sales of Corporate Company, Nomura Real Estate Development Co., Ltd.	
		April 2013	Director and Executive Vice President; General Manager of Corporate Sales Division, Nomura Real Estate Development Co., Ltd.	
	Shigeyuki Kurokawa (April 16, 1955)	April 2014	Representative Director and Executive Vice President; General Manager of Corporate Sales Division, Nomura Real Estate Development Co., Ltd.	
	[Reappointment]	April 2015	Advisor, Nomura Real Estate Development Co., Ltd.	800
	[External]	June 2015	Director, the Company (to present)	
6	[Independent]	July 2015	Representative Director, SK Holdings Co., Ltd. (to present)	
		July 2015	Representative Director, INCREASE PLANNING CO., LTD.	
		July 2016	Outside Director, PRESI Co., Ltd.	
		September 2016	Representative Director, Go For It Co., Ltd. (to present)	
		July 2017	Outside Director, PRESI-X Co., Ltd.	
		July 2017	Outside Director, PRESI Kensetsu Co., Ltd.	
		[Significant concu	urrent positions]	
		• Representative I	Director, SK Holdings Co., Ltd.	
		Representative I	Director, Go For It Co., Ltd.	

[Reason for nomination as a candidate for External Director and overview of the expected role]

Mr. Shigeyuki Kurokawa has been highly evaluated for his achievements and insight as an executive manager in the finance and real estate industries. He has been sufficiently fulfilling his role in decision-making on important matters of the Company's management, supervision of business execution and others. Therefore, the Company believes that he can continue to provide appropriate supervision and useful advice concerning the Company's management and renominates him as a candidate for External Director.

No.	Name (Date of birth)		Career summary, positions, responsibilities, and significant concurrent positions	
7	Asako Saito (January 21, 1968)  [Reappointment]  [External]  [Independent]	Outside Director	Joined Mercedes-Benz Japan Co., Ltd. Joined Boston Consulting Group Japan Co., Ltd. Joined Louis Vuitton Japan K.K. COO, Celux Co., Ltd. President and Representative Director, Dramatic Co., Ltd. Director, the Company (to present) Director, Cogito Education and Management Inc. Outside Director, WATABE WEDDING CORPORATION Outside Director, Mitsubishi Pencil Co., Ltd. (to present) Outside Director, SANYO SHOKAI LTD. Outside Director, CIRCULATION Co., Ltd. (to present) Representative Director, BLOOM Co., Ltd. (to present) urrent positions] r, Mitsubishi Pencil Co., Ltd. Cir, CIRCULATION Co., Ltd. Director, BLOOM Co., Ltd.	Company held 400

[Reason for nomination as a candidate for External Director and overview of the expected role] Ms. Asako Saito has been highly evaluated for her achievements and insight as an executive manager in marketing and branding. She has been sufficiently fulfilling her role in decision-making on important matters of the Company's management, supervision of business execution and others. Therefore, the Company believes that she can continue to provide appropriate supervision and useful advice concerning the Company's management and renominates her as a candidate for External Director.

No.	Name (Date of birth)	Career summary, positions, responsibilities, and significant concurrent positions		Number of shares of the
8	Takashi Kuzuhara (December 1, 1964)  [Reappointment]  [External]  [Independent]	Outside Director	Joined Recruit Co., Ltd. (current Recruit Holdings Co., Ltd.) Corporate Executive Officer, Recruit Co., Ltd. Corporate Executive Officer, Recruit Holdings Co., Ltd. President and Representative Director, Sumai Company, Recruit Co., Ltd. President, RGF Hong Kong Ltd. Chairman, RGF International Recruitment Business President and Representative Director, Recruit Jobs Co., Ltd. Corporate Executive Officer, Recruit Co., Ltd. Advisor, Recruit Co., Ltd. Outside Director, Net Smile, Inc. (to present) Outside Director, Pac. EX Holdings Co., Ltd. (to present) Director, the Company (to present) current positions] or, Net Smile, Inc. or, Pac. EX Holdings Co., Ltd.	Company held

[Reason for nomination as a candidate for External Director and overview of the expected role]

Mr. Takashi Kuzuhara has been highly evaluated for his achievements and insight as an executive manager of Recruit Group. He has been sufficiently fulfilling his role in decision-making on important matters of the Company's management, supervision of business execution and others. Therefore, the Company believes that he can continue to provide appropriate supervision and useful advice concerning the Company's management and renominates him as a candidate for External Director.

Notes: 1. No special interest exists between any of the candidates for Director and the Company.

- 2. Candidates for Director Mr. Shigeyuki Kurokawa, Ms. Asako Saito and Mr. Takashi Kuzuhara are candidates for External Director. The Company has filed a notification to designate Mr. Kurokawa, Ms. Saito and Mr. Kuzuhara as independent directors with Tokyo Stock Exchange and they will remain as independent directors if they are reappointed as External Directors.
- 3. The Company has entered into agreements with Mr. Shigeyuki Kurokawa, Ms. Asako Saito and Mr. Takashi Kuzuhara to limit their liability for damages pursuant to Article 423, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act. The maximum amount of liability for damages under these agreements is the minimum amount of liability set forth in Article 425, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act. If their reelection is approved, the Company intends to continue the said agreements with them.
- 4. Mr. Shigeyuki Kurokawa and Ms. Asako Saito will have been in office as External Directors for nine (9) years at the conclusion of this General Meeting of Shareholders. Mr. Takashi Kuzuhara will have been in office as External Director for two (2) years at the conclusion of this General Meeting of Shareholders.

### **Proposal 3:** Election of Four (4) Auditors

The terms of office of all four (4) Auditors will expire at the conclusion of this General Meeting of Shareholders. Accordingly, the election of four (4) Auditors is proposed.

The Board of Corporate Auditors has given its consent to this proposal.

The candidates for Auditor are as follows.

No.	Nan	ne	Current positions at the Company	Attendance at the Board of Directors meetings	Attendance at the Board of Corporate Auditors meetings
1	Masahiro Yamada	[New appointment]		-/-	-/-
2	Yukio Sato	[Reappointment] [External] [Independent]	External Auditor	13/14	16/17
3	[Reappointment]  Katsuhiro Hashimoto [External]  [Independent]		External Auditor	14/14	17/17
4	Tsuyoshi Ikarashi	[Reappointment] [External] [Independent]	External Auditor	13/14	16/17

No.	Name (Date of birth)	Career summary, positions, and significant concurrent positions		Number of shares of the Company held
1	Masahiro Yamada (June 13, 1963)  [New appointment]	April 2014  March 2015  March 2018  March 2024	Joined the Company and General Manager of Human Resources Department in charge of Human Resources General Manager of Human Resources Department in charge of Operations, the Company General Manager of Internal Control Division and General Manager of Compliance Division, the Company Assistant to Chief Administrative Officer, the Company (to present)	2,600

[Reason for nomination as a candidate for Auditor]

Mr. Masahiro Yamada has business experience in the human resources, compliance, and internal control departments of the Company. The Company believes he is sufficiently capable of fulfilling his duties as Auditor of the Company, including his abundant experience and knowledge of finance from previous employment.

No.	Name (Date of birth)	Career summary, positions, and significant concurrent positions		Number of shares of the Company held
2	Yukio Sato (January 27, 1954)  [Reappointment]  [External]  [Independent]	October 2009 March 2011 March 2012 March 2013 March 2014 June 2017	Chief of Kawaguchi Police Station Chief of Regional Affairs Department, Saitama Prefectural Police Headquarters Chief of Lifestyle Safety Department, Saitama Prefectural Police Headquarters Chief of General Affairs Department, Saitama Prefectural Police Headquarters Retired from Saitama Prefectural Police Auditor, the Company (to present)	700
	[Reason for nomination as a candidate for External Auditor] Mr. Yukio Sato has professional insight into crisis management and others. The Company renominates him as a candidate for External Auditor because he can reflect his abundant experience in the Company's audits. While he has never been involved in company management in any way other than being an outside director or outside auditor, for the reasons above, the Company believes he can appropriately perform his duties as External Auditor.			
3	Katsuhiro Hashimoto (March 10, 1954)  [Reappointment]  [External]  [Independent]	April 2012  March 2014  April 2014  April 2014  June 2020	Director of Meat Inspection Center, Saitama Prefecture Retired from Meat Inspection Center Part-time Instructor, Hanasaki Tokuharu High School, Satoegakuen (to present) Instructor for Food Hygiene Manager Training Course, Saitama Prefecture Food Hygiene Association (to present) Auditor, the Company (to present)	400
	[Reason for nomination as a candidate for External Auditor]  The Company renominates Mr. Katsuhiro Hashimoto as a candidate for External Auditor because he can reflect his abundant experience and knowledge as a hygiene management supervisor in the Company's audits. While he has never been involved in company management in any way other than being an outside director or outside auditor, for the reasons above, the Company believes he can appropriately perform his duties as External Auditor.			

No.	Name (Date of birth)	Career summary, positions, and significant concurrent positions		Number of shares of the Company held	
4	Tsuyoshi Ikarashi (November 1, 1957) [Reappointment] [External] [Independent]	July 2012 July 2017 July 2018 August 2018 June 2020	District Director, Ojiya Tax Office, National Tax Agency Assistant Regional Commissioner of Collection Department, Kantoshinetsu Regional Taxation Bureau, National Tax Agency Retired from National Tax Agency Commenced practice of Tax Accountant Office (to present) Auditor, the Company (to present)	400	
	[Reason for nomination as a candidate for External Auditor]				
	The Company renominates Mr. Tsuyoshi Ikarashi as a candidate for External Auditor because he can				
	reflect his abundant experience and knowledge in accounting and taxes in the Company's audits. While				
	he has never been involved in company management in any way other than being an outside director or				
	outside auditor, for the	reasons above,	the Company believes he can appropriately perf	orm his duties as	
	External Auditor.				

- Notes: 1. Mr. Masahiro Yamada is a new candidate.
  - 2. No special interest exists between any of the candidates for Auditor and the Company.
  - 3. Mr. Yukio Sato, Mr. Katsuhiro Hashimoto and Mr. Tsuyoshi Ikarashi are candidates for External Auditor. The Company has filed a notification to designate each candidate as an independent auditor with Tokyo Stock Exchange and they will remain as independent auditors if they are reappointed as External Auditors.
  - 4. The Company has entered into agreements with Mr. Yukio Sato, Mr. Katsuhiro Hashimoto and Mr. Tsuyoshi Ikarashi to limit their liability for damages pursuant to Article 423, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act. The maximum amount of liability for damages under these agreements is the minimum amount of liability set forth in Article 425, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act. If their reelection is approved, the Company intends to continue the said agreements with them.
  - 5. Mr. Yukio Sato will have been in office as External Auditor for seven (7) years at the conclusion of this General Meeting of Shareholders. Mr. Katsuhiro Hashimoto and Mr. Tsuyoshi Ikarashi will have been in office as External Auditors for four (4) years at the conclusion of this General Meeting of Shareholders.
  - 6. Mr. Tsuyoshi Ikarashi is a certified public tax accountant.

## [Reference]

Management Structure after the Approval of Proposal 2 and Proposal 3

## 1. Main expertise and experience (skill matrix)

	No. of years served as the Company's officer	Management				Business operation					
Name		Corporate management, management strategy, M&A	Personnel affairs, labor, human resource development	Financial, accounting	Sustainability	Governance, internal control, legal affairs	Experience in retail industry	Merchandize development, MD	IT, logistics	Store opening, store development	Innovation, new businesses
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Yukio Kawano	50	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0
Sumito Kawano	15	0	0	$\circ$		0	0	0			
Masanobu Kamiike	16	0	0	0		0				0	0
Takanori Ishizuka	9	0					0	0		0	0
Hiroaki Yagihashi	7	0								0	
Shigeyuki Kurokawa	9	0	0	0		0				0	
Asako Saito	9	0			0		0				0
Takashi Kuzuhara	2	0	0								0
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Haruki Nagumo	2						0	0			0
Masahiro Iwasaki	2						0	0			
Shinsuke Goto	2									0	
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Masahiro Yamada	-		0	0		0					
Yukio Sato	7	0	0			0					
Katsuhiro Hashimoto	4				0	0					
Tsuyoshi Ikarashi	4		0	0							

Note: Number of years served for executive officers is the number of years they served as executive officers of the Company.

### 2. Skill judgment method

The skills of each Director candidate are applied in the matrix table below that combines knowledge and skills in the vertical axis and experience in the horizontal axis for each skill. If it falls in the area of A to E, it is considered to be high enough for recognition.

		Experience		
		Up to 3 years	Up to 7 years	7 years and longer
Knov	Expert level	С	В	A
nowledge / skills	Level high enough to exchange opinion with experts	F	E	D
kills	General level plus something extra	I	Н	G

## 3. Skills to be acquired

	Com	Vanta Group aparates food supermarkets in the Venta area. The segmentition in the
Management (items required for operation of a listed company)	Corporate management, management strategy, M&A	Yaoko Group operates food supermarkets in the Kanto area. The competition in the "food" field is intensifying with entry of companies from other industries. To realize sustainable growth, the Company needs Directors and Executive Officers who have management experience and track record in retail, real estate development, and M&A fields.
	Personnel affairs, labor, human resource development	The Company sets forth a "decentralized chain-store system" with an "all participation policy" and people are its most important assets. To develop an environment where each employee can demonstrate their ability to the maximum extent, the Company needs Directors and Executive Officers who have sufficient experience in human resource development as well as personnel and labor affairs.
	Financial, accounting	To continue making investments for further improving corporate value while maintaining sound financial standings, the Company needs Directors and Executive Officers with ample experience in the financial field. Directors and Executive Officers with experience in the accounting field are also required for maintaining the Company's credibility in the market and society through accurate accounting reporting.
	Sustainability	The Company aims to realize a "world where everyone is healthy and enjoys their daily life, now and 100 years from now." In order to avoid ending up in a world with no hope and increased food shortage and disasters where financial burden on the next generation grows by sticking to existing ways, the Company needs Directors and Executive Officers who are knowledgeable and seriously working in the sustainability field.
	Governance, internal control, legal affairs	Building a right governance structure contributes to improvement of corporate value. To evolve into a company that appropriately manages risks and is aggressive at the same time, the Company needs Directors and Executive Officers who have sufficient knowledge and experience in the fields of corporate governance, internal control, and legal affairs.
Business operation (items corresponding to the Company's business characteristics and issues)	Experience in retail industry	The driving force of the Company, which aims to "realize rich and enjoyable diet," is merchandize development capability and ability to sell the merchandize. To lineup tasty products at reasonable prices in abundance and to create a selling floor where
	Merchandize development, MD	customers can enjoy choosing products, the Company needs Directors and Executive Officers who are not only knowledgeable in merchandize but also have abundant experience in retailing including manufacturing knowledge, merchandize development, and MD.
	IT, logistics	Retailing is a labor-intensive industry and it is indispensable to improve productivity, to respond to various social issues such as a decline in working-age population given the future low birth rate and ageing society. In addition to automation and labor-saving through utilization of IT, the Company needs to evolve logistics by calculating from delivery to display, and it needs Directors and Executive Officers with solid knowledge and experience in IT and logistics.
	Store opening, store development	Yaoko Group aims to achieve the targets of 500 outlets in Kanto and 1 trillion yen in sales and it needs to build its store network in the Kanto region. To gain dominance in the Kanto region with various store formats including discount stores and secure market share, the Company needs Directors and Executive Officers with rich experience in store opening and development.
	Innovation, new businesses	Though common for all industries, the retail industry in particular adapts to changes and is required to adapt to changes in customer needs. The management needs the ability to closely observe customers and the ability to respond to changes. The Company needs Directors and Executive Officers who have long-term perspectives and are able to understand potential customer needs.