



Detroit Food Policy Council Meeting
Wednesday, April 12, 2017
5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Golightly Education Center
Minutes

- 1) Welcome and Roll Call
Lindsay Pielack, Curtis Valasick, Velonda Anderson, Jayne Jackson, Suezette Olaker, Kathryn Underwood, Nick Leonard, Sandra Turner, Zaundra Wimberley (phone), Jerry Ann
- 2) Welcome from Golightly Education Center Principal
- 3) Remarks from the Chair
Thanked everyone who attended the summit.
- 4) Review and Acceptance of the January Meeting Minutes – **Minutes accepted with corrections**
- 5) Strategic Planning
 - a. Review of Council Retreat
Cheryl Danley, facilitator for retreat – Members will get a survey from Cheryl as a follow up to the retreat. 15 members, 4 staff members, and 1 emeritus member attended. Cheryl polled staff and board members about what outcomes we wanted to have from retreat. People said they wanted one on one time with other members, SWAT analysis, better understanding of how best to participate.
Items to move forward on: training for current board member on responsible board practices, and new members having peer mentors that are longtime board members. Proposed holding an executive session to go over the outcomes of the retreat, share outcomes from first session.
- 6) Committee Reports
 - a. Fund Development Committee
Kellogg grant ended at the end of last year. We were invited to submit another grant to Kellogg, a 2 year grant to Erb Foundation. We will submit our report to CFSEM. We won the Impact2 Pro bono package which includes \$30,000 worth of professional services. Look for a doodle for next meeting
 - b. Research and Policy Committee
 - i. Food System Report
Working on creating a food report in 2018. Proposed outline is attached. Focus will be equity and how that plays out across the sectors of the food system. Topics will include restaurants and new food businesses, who gets media

coverage, what roles do incubator organizations play, where businesses located, are stores offering culturally appropriate food, workforce development, Discussion: how can we include support for breastfeeding, proper accommodations at workplaces, etc. BMBFA has some data; Jayne will talk to Amy. Will be similar to the reports that were done in the first several food system reports.

c. Education and Engagement Committee

i. Summit Report

Do we have goals for the summit in terms of demographic and track the demographic of those who come? There were comments about the days of the week the summit is held. Should we look at the days of the week? We need to also look at our marketing because in the past when we try to have weekends or evenings components they have not been well attended. At our last meeting we talked about reaching out to churches for the summit. We need to also have council members commit to support ideas when they are proposed at council meetings. We might also want to do something with the Michigan Chronical. We have recently been invited by the senior editor to do something in the Chronical regularly.

We should also start earlier with everything we do leading up to the summit. At the retreat we talked more about board members being attached to the committees also.

Can we try to do one Friday and a full Saturday?

Phil is already looking at funding for the next summit, and we would like to keep it at the same venue for the next two years.

ii. Grocery store engagement

Meeting tomorrow to finalize our strategy

iii. Food Justice for Babies

Event with author Kimberly Seals Allers, April 22, 10am at Motor City Java

iv. Speakers Bureau

Speakers Bureau training will be Wednesday, April 26, 6pm at our office

d. Youth Leadership Development Committee

First year ended in February, we had a celebration with family members. Applications for next year will go out may 1. It will be out for a month and program will start in July. Students will have to submit application, 3 references, and an essay. We will have around 5 youth, high school students who either live in Detroit or attend a Detroit school.

May 19 is Kids at the Table, will include a train the trainer with the chef who started the program.

Good food ambassadors, we are fiduciaries and supporting the program.

7) Director's Report

The staff has participated in lots of collaborative activities, we held a council member retreat, hosted an event with Wayne Roberts. The director participated in the Detroit Environmental Agenda Steering Committee, and the Midwest Hunger and Health Gathering hosted by Why Hunger.

We will be working on the Farm Bill.

Good Food for All is a national coalition looking at what priorities we have in common, Amy attended Food Research and Action Committee conference in D.C.
The staff attended a meeting hosted by Sen. Stabenow's office on the farm bill.

8) Reports from Governmental Representatives

a. Health Department – Velonda Anderson

Mr. Lawson is not with the Health Department. Dr. Joneijh Khaldun is the new executive director, and the Health Department will look for a new Medical Director. The department is looking for a new centralized location.

b. Legislative Branch Report – Kathryn Underwood

Separating urban ag provisions from livestock provision, it will come before CPC at meeting on April 20. Will add insect cultivation to definition of indoor growing. Still addressing livestock ordinance.

Betti Wiggins is leaving the Office of School Nutrition and going to Texas. We need to ensure work she has done in DPS does not fall flat. Will talk to city council, and should think about approaching the school board so we don't lose what is a nationally recognized program for school nutrition.

Discussion: if any consideration is given to agriculture and the zoning requirement in terms of water?

The issue with water is not zoning, it has to go to the water and sewerage department. What can we do to address this? Jerry will lead inquiry and **ask someone to attend the next meeting**. There are some models in Seattle and Portland that we can look at. Ag needs to be seen as one of treatments that mitigates storm water treatment.

9) Next Meeting – **The proposal to meet other month approved by DFPC members present and voting by online poll.** The next meeting will be June 13.

10) Public Comments

Community members are invited to participate in committee meetings.

Ms. Smith is the community school coordinator for Golightly Education Center.

11) Announcements

GRP cold crop distribution is next week Thursday and Friday.

12) Adjournment