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Meeting Minutes - Draft MADISON FOOD POLICY COUNCIL

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

5:30 PM

Central Library - Room 302
201 W Mifflin Street
Madison, WI 53703

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Convened by Chair Anderson at 5:33 PM

Present: 14 - Erica C. Anderson; Allison M. Dopf; Dustin K. Lundt; Christopher G. Brockel; Hedi L. Rudd; Jennifer N. Lam; Lindsey Day Farnsworth; Claire Mance; Teal M. Staniforth; Devika J. Suri; Sarah M. Larson; Regina M. Vidaver; Aaron M. Kelly and Benjamin E. Rush

Excused: 4 - Rebecca Kemble; Sally Rohrer; Arvina Martin and Henry D. Aschauer

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve minutes made by Day Farnsworth. Second by Kelly. Motion passed with a voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

[59374](#)

Campus Food Insecurity and the Role of Donation Policies (Jessica Ruttstein - UW Madison LaFollette School of Public Affairs)

Attachments: [Policies to Address Campus Food Insecurity_Rutstein 020520.pdf](#)

Q: Does the report live online anywhere?

A: Not yet, but Jessica is looking for potential places to house the report.

Suri: Slow Food and Food Shed organizations are looking to form collaboration. University Health Services has previously done some work on

measuring this issue. Professor Judi Bartfeld may be interested in helping this as well.

Vidaver: What is the impact of the mandatory meal plan?

A: Students are required to pay \$1400/yr to participate in the meal plan if they live on campus. This is not factored into financial aid, some students cite this as a hindrance.

Brockel: Food insecurity looks different for students in dormitories (without a way to prepare food) versus students who live near campus but not in campus housing. There is not a supply issue on campus, rather it is a distribution problem. Getting students better access will help alleviate these challenges.

WORK GROUP REPORTS

[59375](#)

Community Engagement February 2020

No report. Next meeting 3/19 pending report from Center for a Livable Future.

[59376](#)

Food Waste and Recovery February 2020

No report. Will join strategic planning efforts of the Dane County Food Council.

[59377](#)

Healthy Retail Access February 2020

There is a grant proposal from UW Extension for Robert Wood Johnson Foundation underway. Investors will be visiting Madison this month to explore potential funding of one or more components of the project.

[59378](#)

SEED Grants February 2020

Currently in circulation. Applications due March 2. First round of review is March 16.

[59379](#)

Urban Agriculture February 2020

No report

REGULAR BUSINESS REPORTS

[59380](#)

Community Gardens Update February 2020

No report

[59381](#)

Integrated Pest Management Policy Review Task Force February 2020

No report

[59382](#)

Dane County Food Council February 2020

Received an update from Healthy Food For All's application to the DreamUp

process. Dane County Partners in Equity Food Grants are out for application on the same timeline as SEED. Due March 2. The new Food Entrepreneurship and Food Access workgroups are in formative stages.

Next meeting February 19.

[59383](#)

Food Policy Director Update February 2020

No report

[59384](#)

Madison Metropolitan School District February 2020

MMSD participated in the REAP Food Group “Celebrating the People Who Feed Us” event at Madison College on January 27. Maggie Sanna represented the Food & Nutrition department with the main topic of discussion was bridging the gap between farmers and institutions.

We also have our RFI out for Farm to School products for the 2020-21 school year. Deadline for submissions is Friday, March 13, 2020 and can be found at http://oldweb.madison.k12.wi.us/doingbusiness/popup_rfp.cgi?id=5183. For more information, there is a PowerPoint presentation on our web page at <https://food.madison.k12.wi.us/farm-to-school>.

[59385](#)

Public Health Madison & Dane County February 2020

The US Supreme Court revoked the injunction on the “Public Charge” rule, which will potentially limit the ability for non-citizens to become legal permanent residents if they have used public benefits like SNAP or Medicaid.

[59386](#)

Public Market Development Committee February 2020

No report. Meeting February 6.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Community Gardens Summit will be Saturday, February 22 from 10am-4pm at Badger Rock.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by Brockel. Second by Day Farnsworth. Motion approved with a voice vote at 6:22 PM.