

**Food and Nutrition Commission
Meeting Minutes**

October 3, 2016

The Good Acre, 1790 Larpenteur Ave W. Falcon Heights, MN 55113

Members Present/Representation

Karen Fangman | County District 1
Elizabeth Zalanga | County District 3-*absent*
Diane Dodge | County District 4
Nadja Berneche | County District 5 (chair)
Paul Ratte | County District 6-*absent*
Rebecca Mino | City of St. Paul
Hua Vang | City of St. Paul- *resigned*
Metric Giles | City of St. Paul-*absent*
Amanda Karls | City of St. Paul
Lebohang Moore | City of St. Paul
Lane Rapp | City of St. Paul-*absent*

SPRCPH Staff:

Carissa Glatt | SHIP grant coordinator, staff liaison
Alex Groten | intern

Guests:

Mary Montagne
Julie Seiber
Michael Dahl
Aisha Ali
Lauren Basich
Heather Davidson
Paula...(Diane's daughter)

5:00pm: Tour of The Good Acre (if able)

The meeting was called to order at 5:30pm. Everyone was welcomed to the meeting and introductions were made.

Agenda Item #1: Membership updates and contact lists and dropbox (Carissa)

- Please let Carissa know if you would like to be a part of the FNC Dropbox and get access to documents.
- Are you a member and did not receive a white folder at the previous meeting? Please let Carissa know. There are documents showing who our political representation is in Ramsey County and it is important to know who they are.
- We had one member resign due to moving out of the area (now 10 members on the commission). We are looking to fill the 4 extra slots. Requirements are that you live and/or work in St. Paul.

Action Items:

- Please let Carissa know if you did not receive documents about who the political members are in Ramsey County (and would like that info).
- Recruit a new member if you know someone who would be a great addition to the group.

Action Item #2: Continuation of conversation on FNC vision and goals (all)

- Review of 1st draft of possible vision statements
- Comments and possible revisions suggested

Action Items:

- Vision statements will be revised for 2nd draft and sent out before the next meeting.

Agenda Item #3: Formation of Workgroups (Nadja)

- Minnesota Food Charter presentation & historical context for food justice work in the Twin Cities.
- Work group proposal:
 - *Executive Team*: including co-chairs.
 - *Community Engagement Team*: for community listening planning and recruitment.

- *Topical Team Action Team*: will prioritize topics & rotate as work is completed.
- Next meeting will provide some context from past FNC projects as we narrow in on action ideas for the coming year.
- Community listening sessions are a goal for more engagement. May provide action/ideas for projects based off of what we hear in those sessions.

Action Items:

- Consider what team(s) you would be interested in being a part of for the following meeting.
- We still need a co-chair. If you are interested, please let Nadja know, otherwise we will draw straws to pick someone at the November meeting.

Agenda Item #4: GIS Food Mapping (Carissa)

- What type of food access maps do we want? Where are the gaps in neighborhoods? Who is the target audience? What *kind* of food access (what counts as food)? Transportation?
- Is there a platform that would help residents engage more? I.e. Interactive maps, phone apps, etc.

Action Items:

- Think of ideas for what kind of mapping would be effective to show people that there are food access issues.
- What questions about food access do you have that would be a good education tool for the community?

Agenda Item #5: Brief Updates and Announcements

- MFAN meeting October 11th at Hallie Q. Brown Center.
- You're invited to Lebo's annual office party: Oct. 16th, 4-7pm
- Please talk to Michael Dahl if you would like to speak with state legislature right after the election happens (and before action is taken in their new term). And if candidates come knocking on your door, think about what you would ask them about food justice for our community.
- Next Monday night The History Center is hosting an indigenous meal. Check out the History Center facebook page.

Action Items:

- Next month's meeting will be a *potluck*.
- If you have ideas for future meeting locations, let Carissa know.

Minutes taken by: **Alex Groten**

Motion to adjourn (7:30PM) passed by affirmation of the committee.

Next meeting: Monday, November 7, 2016 Wilder Foundation