

# Windsor-Essex Food Policy Council January 27, 2022. 5:30-7:30 pm Teams Meeting

Chair: Karen Bellemore Recorder: Karen Bellemore

Present: Karen Bellemore, Rebekah Bruni, Krysta Glovasky-Ridsdale, Larry Verbeke, Anam Khan, Philippa von Ziegenweidt, Abdulrahman Alrifai, Danielle Findlay, Julia Burgess, Rob Nesbitt

Regrets: Stephanie Segave, Collette McLean, Rino Bortolin, Joel Barcelon

1.0		Welcome and Introductions	5:35 pm start	
2.0		Approval of Minutes from November 25, 2021	Approved	
3.0		Approval of Agenda	Approved	
		<ul> <li>Karen requests to add item: Organic Waste Update         <ul> <li>Approved: added as item 7.1</li> </ul> </li> <li>Julia request to add item: Questions for elected officials         <ul> <li>Approved: added as item 7.2</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
4.0		Review action items from previous meeting		
		<ul> <li>Karen to send Organic Waste Support Letters to the municipalities – Completed</li> <li>Terms of Reference will be updated and reviewed in January - Completed</li> <li>Karen to send outlook invites for all 2022 meetings - Completed</li> <li>Karen will email a Doodle Poll to the Dashboard team to set standing meetings for the group Completed</li> <li>Karen and Danielle to connect to continue to discuss what the WEFPC can do to support OSNP's advocacy work Completed</li> </ul>		
5.0		Business Arising		
	5.1	<ul> <li>Terms of Reference Review</li> <li>Updates for 2022         <ul> <li>Addition of corresponding members</li> <li>Addition of meetings held virtually</li> <li>Removal of document link for the WEFPC application</li> <li>Changed date of review to every 2 years</li> </ul> </li> <li>Motion for approval: Approved.</li> <li>Karen to send as pdf – and will be posted to website</li> </ul>	Action: Karen to send Terms of Reference as pdf, and will add it to the website.	



### 5.2 Letter of Support – Student nutrition grant

- St. Clair College is applying for a grant that is going to pilot a hot-lunch program – using this model as school lunches as typically have a snack and/or breakfast program.
   Compressive school food program that incorporates food literacy and experiential learning.
  - What does this program look like? What has been successful? What doesn't work?
  - Want to attach a food literacy program
  - Working with many community partners
- Karen was at the meeting, as a representative of WECHU, but was also asked to talk about the WEFPC.
- Letters of support for the grant will be needed WEFPC asked to provide one.
- WEFPC decided that it would be a logical grant to support

   Karen will provide support letter once the specific ask of support from the WEFPC is received.

## 5.3 National School food program

- Karen was invited to speak with MP Irek Kusmierczyk, along with selected individuals from the University of Windsor, St. Clair College, OGVG, creative momentum consulting, OSNP, and UHC – hub of opportunities.
- Both the minister of agriculture and the minster of families has the development of a national school food program within their mandate letters. Irek wanted to bring this group together to talk about how we can position Windsor Essex as a place that can pilot the National School Food program, or at least be involved within the planning of the model to use for this program.
- Karen spoke about the WEFPC, and our Community Food Assessment, and how the data supports the want and need for this program in WEC.
- We are hoping to continue this conversation with MP Kusmierczyk, and keep Windsor Essex in the conversations for shaping this national program.

### 6.0 Standing Items



## **6.1** | Subcommittee updates:

- Education and Engagement
  - Website/Social Media
    - Review of Final Webpage
    - Newsletter template ready trying to get 1<sup>st</sup> out for March
    - Need to update a few of the bios on the site
  - Food Dashboard
    - Karen to meet with Megan to launch on Monday January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022
    - Thank you to SNP for signing up!
    - Continued outreach for partners will begin to have a more concentrated focus over the next few months

## 6.2 ProsperUS Update (Anam/Danielle)

- Starting the recruitment for the Community Action Network Advocacy working group.
  - Can apply at

www.weunlockpotential.com/canadvocacy

 Winter Update report can be found at https://weunlockpotential.com/2022report/

## 6.3 | SW Region FPC (Karen)

- MLFPC just went through a large membership change but its starting to do some work again.
- Karen will re-engage in the spring

# 6.4 CHSF update (Karen)

- Update from Danielle
  - National group is working hard to continue to advocate for the National School Food Program.
     Although it is in Ministry letters, it still needs to pass through the budget in April.
- Letters to MPP CHSF has template letters to send to each
  of the MP's in your region. OSNP has already sent the
  letters. Would be a great local advocacy tool to also send
  in letters.

**Action:**Karen to finalize webpage and move it to live.

All to continue to do outreach for food dashboard

### Action:

Karen to use templet letters from CHSF to draft letters to MP's from WEFPC.



		We will use the template letters to send to the MP's to	
		show the support and ask them to all pass the budget so	
		that this program can get started.	
		<ul> <li>Karen to draft the letters of support, then share with the</li> </ul>	
		group, before sending.	
7.0		Other Business:	
	7.1	Organic waste update.	
		Was on the EWSWA agenda for January 12, 2022 –	
		however, those meeting minutes are not posted yet. Will	
		keep an eye on it.	
		<ul> <li>All municipalities received the letter in support of the</li> </ul>	
		regional approach from us. Only LaSalle reached out to let	
		me know it was included in the December package for	
		council.	
	7.3	Dalian Overtica analysis for uncoming election	
	7.2	Policy Question package for upcoming election	Action:
		Brought forward by Julia     One time for a second by a forest and a second fores	Karen to being to
		Question for councils around the food system for	draft a framework
		municipal and provincial groups.	for question for
		<ul> <li>School boards as well – as trustees are elected</li> </ul>	upcoming election.
		during the municipal election.	apcoming election.
		Statement – how important of the food system – they  was doomed 'assential' throughout the pandomia how	
		were deemed 'essential' throughout the pandemic, how	
		will they continue to support and protect this system	
		<ul><li>locally and provincially?</li><li>What's on our radar???</li></ul>	
		Karen to look at Sustain Ontario's <i>Eat.Think.Vote</i> package     and begin to draft a framework that we can begin to look	
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		at.	
8.0		<ul> <li>Will use the next meeting to discuss this framework.</li> <li>Learning Opportunities/Roundtable Updates:</li> </ul>	Action:
0.0		<ul> <li>Julia brought forward a question to council, can we begin</li> </ul>	All to think of guest
		to bring in guest speakers from the local food system –	speakers, and send
		have them attend for 15 minutes at a meeting. Learn about	any names to Karen
		what they do, and then what we can do to help support	for invitation to
		them. Unanimous support for this. We will begin to look	WEFPC meetings
		for speakers.	WELL SINCERINGS
		ioi speakers.	
9.0		Adjourned: 6:58 pm	
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