

Windsor-Essex Food Policy Council February 25, 2021. 5:30-7:30 pm Zoom Meeting

Chair: Karen Bellemore Recorder: Karen Bellemore

Present: Karen Bellemore, Larry Verbeke, Alyssa Diluca, Krysta Glovasky-Ridsdale, Philippa von Ziegenweidt, Frazier Fathers, Rachel Mayers, Julia Burgess, Danielle Findlay, Abdulrahman Alrifai

Regrets: Collette McLean, Stephanie Segave, Rino Bortolin

1.0		Welcome	5:38 pm start		
2.0		Approval of Minutes from January 28, 2020	Approved		
3.0	Approval of Agenda		Approved		
4.0	Review action items from previous meeting				
		 Karen to strengthen the wording around the selection committee, and resend to the group for official approval next meeting. Completed Karen will take feedback to the graphic designer, and share any new proof she gets. Completed Karen to connect with Karlene to see if Danielle will be able to represent both organizations Completed Karen will investigate details further, and will present a full project proposal at the next meeting Completed Karen to continue to work on the annual report document, send to the group via email once the data is found. Not Completed Karen to reach out for any members to join the E&E subcommittee to help with the development of the webpage and other engagement items Not Completed 			
5.0		Business Arising			
	5.1	 Terms of Reference Annual review of the Terms of Reference Karen strengthened the wording around the selection committee. Julia – since there is a maximum, do we need to set a minimum? Decided to leave ToR as is, but will open up that line of discussion when it is reviewed next year. Terms of Reference approved – Karen to share when new letter heard is available. 	Action: Karen to share Terms of Reference on new letter head.		
	5.2	Co-Chair Nomination • Krysta has put her name forward for the position	Action:		





Krysta is the successful co-chair nominee

Karen to connect with Krysta about cochair role.

5.3 New Logo



- With a vote of 7 4 (one member did not vote), the option #1 won.
- Templets for letter head, survey software banners,
 PowerPoints, etc. are being created
- Will be given to web designer to start creating the website.

5.4 Organic Waste support discussion

- Topic brought forward to group by Rino in November.
- Discussion around the municipal organic waste program that will be mandatory for the City of Windsor, but optional for smaller municipalities at this time. Do we want to advocate to the smaller municipalities to start the program at the same time?
- Discussion was had around whether we know where the municipalities are, who is looking at it, who is not interested, etc.
- Look at putting a letter forward to each municipality to ask where they are in the process, and once we have the information, look at ways to advocate.
- Julia will put together a draft letter for our group to approve, before sending it out.
- We then can decide next steps once we have that information

5.5 Food Dashboard

- Karen followed-up with the group around the food dashboard from the United Way Grey Bruce to the group https://www.foodbrucegrey.com/.
- Karen sent out a draft project proposal to the group for review prior to the meeting
 - Detailing the activities for this project
 - Proposing it fall under the Education and Engagement subcommittee
- Karen provided details of her discussion with Paul
 Wagenaar from the United Way of Bruce Grey
 - He has offered to support us in anyway needed

Action:

Julia to draft a letter an inquiry to municipalities around the municipal organic waste program.

Action:

Karen to connect with Frazier to understand that goal of each project.

Karen to drill down the possible food system indicators that could be collected.



		 He also spoke to the developer arm of Bruce power (who created their site) and they are willing to offer support for who every needs it as well Frazier brought to the discussion that this dashboard is a similar project to one that the United Way in embarking on over the next year, to get lived experience data (if COVID allows) and to publish a public dashboard with the information. This would be looking at real-time food security data, since this is information hard to get in the local community. Wondered if it was worth the time and energy and effort to possibly have a duplicate system in the end Karen and Frazier to tough base to see how these projects would align or overlap. Julia brought up some technical questions, "what are the advantages of having the data?", "who will this be for?", "what is the benefit of the organization for sharing this information?" Karen brought forward the idea to invite Paul to our next meeting, so that the group could see the potential uses for the dashboard Although they use the dashboard for food security measures, we would be expanding to look at food system measures Karen to drill down these indicators further, so that we can see what type of information we can 	Karen to reach out to Paul to see if he could attend our next WEFPC meeting.
		gather from our local service providers	
6.0		Standing Items	
	6.1	 Subcommittee updates: Education and Education: Karen put a call out again for members, will need help with content review for our webpage. Research and Policy No update Innovation No update 	Action:
	6.2	Farm to School Workgroup Update No update	
	6.3	 ProsperUS Update (Danielle) Two meetings design table meetings Great conversations happening – Danielle will keep us updated as the conversations continue. 	
7.0		Other Business:	
	7.1	 CHSF Update: Karen met with Debbie Field (CHSF), Benjamin Hill (MLFPC), Carolyn Webb (Sustain Ontario) and Mariel Munoz Tayraco (WECHU). 	Action:



9.0		Adjourned: 7:00 pm	
		Contact Krysta directly. Julia: Discussion on how Kingsville's new school will not have a servery and how that will really impact the schools ability to have school food programs within it. The feeder schools that are going into that school had very strong parent advisor committees, and they do not have a dedicate space to provide hot lunches as they once did. Further, at the provincial level, lots of talk about Bill 216, however, a lot of misunderstanding around what food literacy entails.	
		Book recommendation: Take Back the Tray by: Joshna Maharaj. Krysta purchased it, and would like to pass it onto anyone who would be interested in reading it.	
		Canada officially named members to the Canadian Food Policy Advisory Council https://www.agr.gc.ca/eng/about-our-department/key-departmental-initiatives/food-policy/the-canadian-food-policy-advisory-council/?id=1597863853544	
8.0		outcomes Learning Opportunities/Roundtable Updates:	
	7.2	 and the push for a national school food program. Still in initial talks, Karen will update as more happens. SW Region FPC meeting: As a result of the meeting above, Benjamin Hill sent out an email to all of the FPC's in the Southwest region to look at the interests in forming a regional work group. Once a meeting is set, Karen will update the group on outcomes. 	
		 WEFPC is an endorser of the CHSF Looking at ways to connect more FPC's to be involved with some advocacy around the CHSF 	