

## **Dane County**

# Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

### **Food Council Food Plan Work Group**

Consider:

Who benefits? Who is burdened?
Who does not have a voice at the table?
How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?

Wednesday, December 7, 2022

3:00 PM

Virtual Zoom Meeting: See top of agenda for instructions on how to join the webinar or call in by phone.

#### A. Call To Order

Present 3 - Chair MARCIA CATON CAMPBELL, PHIL KAUTH, and REBECCA KEMBLE

All Others Present: Bill Warner, Dan Cornelius, Nan Fey, Laura Scandurra, Catie DeMets, Jennifer Conroy, Susan Hessel, Jess Guffey Calkins

#### **B.** Consideration of Minutes

2022

11.02.2022 MINUTES FOOD COUNCIL FOOD PLAN WG

MIN-454

Attachments: 2022 MIN-454

A motion was made by KAUTH, seconded by CATON CAMPBELL, that the Minutes be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote 3-0.

C. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

#### D. Discussion Items

- 1. Dane County Pandemic Food System Study
  - a. Sift Consulting will share recommendations in early January with liaison team.
  - b. DCFC is drafting a 1-page intro for the study report.
  - c. End of February: final report and presentations to food policy councils.
- d. Interest in presentation with Dane County Supervisors and Madison Common Council.
- 2. 2023 USDA Regional Food System Partnership (RFSP) grant & fundraising
  - a. Full match approved for planning grant from Dane County
- b. Should apply for a planning/convening grant because the match is considerably less. Max is \$250k. Can engage a wide range of food systems advocates to develop a system based food plan to link urban and rural areas
- c. Catie DeMets: planning grant is a good plan. Working in Mount Horeb on food planning and linking rural and urban communities and this takes time. Conducting a session in late spring on some results (Lincoln Institute is funding)
- d. Geographic scope: 2021 RFP included Dane County surrounding areas in south and west WI. 2021 proposal included Rooted as applicant. REAP (rural engagement) and Mosaic Consulting (urban).
- e. UW WiSys is looking to get \$165M over 10 years. Possibility of engagement of interested people in food systems work (Laura Scandurra is reaching out to WiSys folks).
  - f. 12 past RFP awardees project list compiled
- g. MI State Jahi Chappell, director of MSU Center for Regional Food Systems, is talking at the John Kinsman Beginning Farmer Food Sovereignty Award Ceremony https://familyfarmers.org/?p=2037
- 3. North Central SARE (Sustainable Ag Research & Education) Professional Development grant
- a. MI State received this to develop a food systems plan. Not relevant for this project anymore.
- b. Will incorporate the language in the document circulating about food systems awardees
- 4. USDA grant opportunities; statewide communication & partnerships
- a. DATCP LFPA (Local Food Purchase Assistance) grant: \$5K-\$15K for farmers, \$400M for state and tribal governments
- b. Money going to food purchases from socially disadvantaged farmers to underserved communities. Connect to beginning farmers.
  - c. Application process is open: https://www.wilocalfood.org/
- 5 Farm Bill 2023
- a. National Sustainable Ag Coalition (NSAC) 2023 Farm Bill Platform: https://sustainableagriculture.net/publications/2023-farm-bill-platform/
- i. Phil connected with Margaret Krome (Michael Fields Ag Institute) about how Dane County folks can connect with this work.
- ii. DCFC, MFPC could consider signing on to NSAC platform or at least share to food council members to consider engaging with.
  - iii. Ag of the Middle connection Cate DeMets, Lindsey Day Farnsworth
  - b. Phil connected with Young Farmers Coalition.
    - i. They just released survey results: https://www.youngfarmers.org/22survey/
- c. The food councils can help ID the issues and connect back to the food plan and who can provide the support in the different elements of the food system.

- E. Announcements
- F. Future Meeting Items and Dates
- G. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law
- H. Adjourn

A motion was made by KAUTH, seconded by KEMBLE, that the Meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously 3-0.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by Jess Guffey Calkins; Pending council review