



Dane County

Minutes - Draft

Food Council

Wednesday, March 28, 2018

6:00 PM

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A. Call To Order

Present 6 - PATRICK DOWNING, BILL WARNER, DANIELLE LAWSON, HEDI RUDD, KAREN VON HUENE, and MICHELE RITT

Absent 3 - BEVERLY HUTCHERSON, ACE LYNN-MILLER, and CARL CHENOWETH

Others present: Carrie Edgar, Nan Fey, Kyle Richmond, Martin Bailkey, Marcia Caton Campbell, and Claire Mance

B. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda - None

C. Consideration of Minutes

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A motion was made by RITT, seconded by DOWNING, that the Minutes be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote (6,0).

D. Presentations

- Martin Bailkey and Kyle Richmond presented on the work and process of the Madison Food Policy Council's input on the City's Comprehensive Plan to date. They also expressed interest in exploring ways the City and County's Food Councils working collaboratively on planning issues.

E. Reports to Committee

Work team reports

1. *Food Waste & Recovery - Michelle Ritt provided an update on the latest work team meeting. Bryan Johnson, City of Madison Recycling Coordinator, presented on the City of Madison's food composting pilot program. Michelle shared information on the recent food waste study that was done at Leopold Elementary. She also shared that the Food Waste and Recovery Guide is in a final draft.*

2. *Equity and Access - Danielle Lawson provided that the team is working on the Partners in Equity grant process. They are scheduled to meet next Thursday with the staff from OEI to discuss the RFP process.*

3. *Urban Ag - Karen von Huene provided an update on the work of the Urban Ag team. They have been inviting people in to gather information and learn. The city of Madison Recycling Coordinator also presented to that group.*

- Madison Food Policy Council – no report

- Public Health Madison/Dane County – Nick Heckman submitted a written report: Accreditation is officially underway at Public Health Madison/Dane County. This will guide the department towards National best practices in many areas of public health work. A Community Health Assessment and Community Health Improvement Plan will provide opportunities to get food access and nutrition as a priority in city/county work. The state special session on welfare reform has now closed, and several of the bills pertaining to FoodShare have passed. I will give an overview at a later day. Other than that, keep in mind that 2018 will begin negotiations on the next Farm Bill, which will have a lot of impacts on rural communities in Dane County as well as people who use SNAP/FoodShare.

- Dane County UW-Extension – Carrie Edgar shared that there is a new applicant for the Organic Certification program. We need two members of the Council to serve on the review committee. Pat Downing and Bill Warner volunteered to serve as reviewers. The final annual report was distributed. Michelle Ritt agreed to share with the other County Board Supervisors at an upcoming meeting. Edgar also shared the new book given to the Council, Stand Together or Starve Alone by Mark Winne.

F. Announcements - None

G. Future Meeting Items and Dates

Next meeting is Wednesday, April 25, 2018. Those Supervisors whose terms end in April will continue to serve on the committee (if re-elected) until new appointments are made.

H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law - None

I. Adjourn

A motion was made by DOWNING, seconded by LAWSON, that this meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimous (6,0).

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