



# Dane County

## Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

### Food Council

*Consider:*

*Who benefits? Who is burdened?*

*Who does not have a voice at the table?*

*How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?*

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Tuesday, June 8, 2021

6:00 PM

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

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### Joint Meeting of Dane County Food Council and Madison Food Policy Council

#### A. Call To Order

**Present** 6 - DONALE RICHARDS, Supervisor MICHELE RITT, SHEENA TESCH, BILL  
WARNER, MARCIA CATON CAMPBELL, and SHIRLEY NENNIG

**Excused** 2 - DANIEL CORNELIUS, and ABHA THAKKAR

*Call To Order by MFPC Chair Anderson*

*OTHERS PRESENT: Jess Guffey Calkins, George Reistad, Nan Fey*

*Madison Food Policy Council members: Chair Erica Anderson, Vice Chair Lindsey Day  
Farnsworth, Chris Brockel, Jamie Bugel, Alder Yanette Figueroa Cole, Jennifer Conroy,  
Alma Horlock, Rebecca Kemble, Sarah Larson, Nicholas Leete, Kirsten Moore, Teal  
Staniforth, Devika Suri, Alder Regina Vidaver*

#### B. Consideration of Minutes

[2021](#) JOINT FOOD COUNCIL MINUTES 11.MAY.2021.pdf  
[MIN-103](#)

**Attachments:** [2021 MIN-103](#)

A motion was made by CATON CAMPBELL, seconded by WARNER, that the  
Minutes be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote 6-0.

#### C. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

*None.*

**D. Announcements**

—Supervisor Julie Schwellenbach: The Dane County board is drafting a memorial resolution and DCFC is providing a clause to recognize her contributions to the food councils and workgroups. DCFC is also sending a card to her family on behalf of both food councils to express our condolences and to appreciate her involvement on the food councils. A moment of remembrance was held and members shared memories of Supervisor Schwellenbach.

—MFPC-DCFC Meeting Schedule Change: Moving to 3rd Wednesdays, 5:30pm (changed from 5pm).

## E. Reports to Committee

### — Work Groups

#### 1. Food Access, Relief & Economic Support – Jamie Bugel

Reistad has provided the raw data from SEED grant evaluations from 2014, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, and 2020. We are moving to a bimonthly one hour meeting structure that will function as a working meeting. We are still very open to additional members joining the group.

#### 2. Food Plan — Bill Warner, Marcia Caton Campbell, Sheena Tesch, Jess Guffey Calkins

Pursuing a USDA Regional Food Systems Partnership (RFSP) grant to develop a regional food systems plan. Holding community conversations next week: Tues morning & Weds evening, both virtual – to inform the application development.

#### 3. Regional Agriculture & Food Sovereignty — Sheena Tesch

Last meeting: Presentation from the Save the Farm — Agriculture Action Team.

### — City of Madison — George Reistad

Madison Public Market — Economic Development Administration Grant Merits Further Consideration letter submitted on 5/18; awaiting response on changes, grant award.

### Mayors for a Guaranteed Income (MGI)

In addition to the \$600k received from MGI, the City of Madison has received over \$450k in pledges from local donors to support the work of the Madison Guaranteed Income Pilot. Our staff team is continuing to fundraise and Reistad and Nancy Saiz (City CDD) convened the first meeting of the Task Force on 6/1:

<https://madison.legistar.com/View.ashx?>

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### —Public Health Madison & Dane County — Nick Heckman

No report.

### — Dane County — Jess Guffey Calkins

Dane County is allocating \$5 million in American Rescue Act funds for a grant program intended to provide relief to Dane County based non-profits who experienced economic losses this past year. Madison Community Foundation (MCF) will coordinate the grant application and review process. Information about how to apply will be available on the MCF website. Press release: <https://www.countyofdane.com/PressDetail/10851>.

Food Entrepreneurship Ecosystem Development (FEED) Project - Virtual Summer 2021 Workshop Series (UW-Madison Extension Community Food System Program)

Learn tips for starting or expanding a successful food business from Wisconsin-based specialists and entrepreneurs! This no-cost series of online trainings is for people who are interested in starting or expanding small-scale food businesses in Wisconsin. June 7, 14, 21, & 28; 2-3:30pm, with different topics. Interpretation provided in Hmong and Spanish. For more info & to register, please visit: <https://go.wisc.edu/n3cvxp>.

USDA Seeks Comments on Food System Supply Chains in Response to President Biden's Executive Order to Support Resilient, Diverse, Secure Supply Chains. Comment period is extended through 6/21/21 if individuals would like to submit comments:

<https://www.usda.gov/media/press-releases/2021/04/21/usda-seeks-comments-food-system-supply-chains-response-president>.

USDA has recently announced its new 'Build Back Better' initiative to invest over \$5

*billion in American Rescue Plan funding toward food bank capacity and food supply chains.*

*— Community Gardens — Nicholas Leete*

*Most community gardens are operating at capacity, with regular workdays and other events returning to normal, aside from a late frost which caused some local damage to some gardens.*

*— Madison Metropolitan School District — Dustin Lundt*

*The MMSD school year ends on 6/10. We will continue our seven-day food box distribution on 6/14 using our current Monday schedule. On 6/21 when the summer semester begins, we will continue to distribute our seven—day food box throughout the summer with a new schedule. Full schedule and more information can be found on our website at <https://food.madison.k12.wi.us/>.*

*— Public Market Development Committee — George Reistad*  
*See City of Madison update.*

## F. Action Items

[2021](#)  
[PRES-082](#)

FOOD PLAN WG COVER MEMO FINAL 06-02-21

Attachments: [2021 PRES-082](#)

*memo was discussed.*

[2021](#)  
[PRES-083](#)

FOOD SYSTEMS RECOVERY AND RESILIENCE WG CHARTER UPDATED VERSION  
1\_FINAL 060221

Attachments: [2021 PRES-083](#)

**A motion was made by RICHARDS, seconded by WARNER, that the Presentation be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote 6-0.**

[2021](#)  
[PRES-081](#)

FOOD PLAN WG CHARTER VERSION 2\_FINAL 060221

Attachments: [2021 PRES-081](#)

**A motion was made by TESCH, seconded by WARNER, that the Presentation be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote 6-0.**

## G. Future Meeting Items and Dates

## H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

## I. Adjourn/Recess & Reconvene

**A motion was made by CATON CAMPBELL, seconded by WARNER, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously 6-0.**

*Minutes respectfully submitted by Jess Guffey Calkins, pending council approval.*