

Food Policy Advisory Board Meeting Minutes  
PPRBD, 2880 International Circle  
April 1, 2016, 8:00am

Start Time: 8:01am  
Quorum

Members in attendance: Jill Gaebler, Lyn Harwell, Laruen Edman, Michael O'Malley, Nanna Meyer, Megan Andreozzi, Clarissa Dominguez, Aubrey Day, Amy Lathen, Tom Gonzales, Barbra Bates, Sophie Javna, Johnathan Berry

**Mission:**

Foster a healthy and resilient local food system that contributes to economic vitality, healthy food access and environmental sustainability in Colorado Springs and El Paso County.

**Agenda:**

8:00 am – 8:05 am Call to Order, Attendance/Intros

8:05 am – 8:10 am Citizen Comment: None

8:10 am – 8:15 am Approve Meeting Minutes from March: Unanimous motion to approve

8:15 am – 8:45 am Updates/Follow up on Current Projects:

- Food Stand – (Jill/Michael) - Not much in the way of moving forward, just need to draft a recommendation document as a board and get it approved. Michael will draft it and pass it to Jill for approval. The City Attorney is working on the ordinance and working out kinks with zoning. Moving forward, the group can talk to councilmembers and make a pitch to get it approved.
- Farmers Market – Best Practices (Michael)-Michael has met with someone from the shops at Promenade. He will put a fact sheet together. Wants to bring awareness to the best local markets to go to.
- Residential/Personal greenhouse Policy Draft (Michael) - Not much of an update, Michael will meet up with Tom.
- County Grant application – FPAB support (Jill) - There is a grant process through a program coming through CCPD and this particular money is for regional collaborative approaches to get healthy access to food. The grant would allow for support for the board with things like general administrative support, and demonstration sites. HCC, no one opposed the idea. It is due April 8<sup>th</sup> and a grant writer is working on submitting the grant proposal by the deadline. More information in a couple of months. It would be a 2 year grant and around \$200,000.

- HOA – (Megan/Clarissa)-Working on CONO list, which is outdated. They are addressing getting a more current list.
- Peer Networking for Food Policy – (Aubrey) - There is some money for travel to connect with groups. Aubrey can facilitate connections if anyone in the group wants to visit other affiliations.
- CS Public Market-(Jill) Potential new location with investor. Big meeting coming up. Once property is secured there will be an announcement.

#### 8:45 am – 9:30 am Brainstorm Session on Strategic Plan 2016

- Review /Comment on last sessions items, identify Actions Items and timelines- Each member will take a closer look at it and fill in names/timeline after further review. Need to brainstorm who can help outside of Food Policy Board, create smaller committees. Bring suggestions back for May. By the May meeting committee formation and timeline can be established. In Nanna's inbox by April 11<sup>th</sup>. Home occupation assessment is a major goal. Nanna will update and by Wednesday additional comments can be added.

#### 9:30 am – 9:45 am Define/Review Responsibilities of the Board – Review contract

- Amy and Jill can send out templates for other board guidelines. Megan wants to add more board members—preferably 10-12 board members. Get bylaw templates and make recommendations accordingly.

#### 9:45 am – 9:55 am Member Updates-

- Nanna-USDA funding, a Pikes Peak small farm does not exist for funding. Project has been redesigned to evaluate from more of an urban farming neighborhood project perspective. Trying to get mobile market attached to it. Includes going into homes, kind of a grassroots level initiative, cooking and changing eating habits.
- Michael: New system installed, 500 heads of lettuce and herbs per week for local distribution.

9:46am Adjourn

Next Meeting Scheduled for May 6th, 2016 8:00AM