

**Colorado Springs Food Policy Advisory Board**  
**September 8th, 2017; 8:30am – 10:30AM**  
**Meeting Minutes**

**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.

**In Attendance:** Nanna Meyer, Jill Gaebler, Sabrina Cotta, Megan Andreozzi, Sophie Javna, Johnathan Shankland, Ellen Johnson-Fay

**Beehives – Update**

Jill met with director of planning to discuss beehives. Administration is a little bit concerned about the square footage we are proposing. They are going to send her another offer. They don't think 2500 sf is enough to bump it to beehives. They want to have some shrubbery, fencing to modify. She has a supermajority of council that is supportive.

**Social Media**

Sabrina and Jill can help with Facebook and Instagram. Clarissa will make them admins.

**Website**

Sabrina will get with Clarissa to keep working on it.

**Cottage Food Permit**

Jill will talk to Tom Gonzales and Aubrey Day in public health to find out what the issue is. She will also talk to Sarah Johnson with home occupation fee.

**UCCS**

Joanna attended one of Sean Svette's seminar classes, and his students need to do service learning hours. The group suggested the interested students attending one of our FPAB meetings as well as help us with research. Nanna and Joanna will figure out communication with students. Ideas were to have students research what local food recognition programs exist elsewhere as well as help create a local food visual based upon the one Nanna showed the group. Students could also help with finding resources to list on the FPAB web site. Nanna suggested students could help make a stream-lined, bulleted version of PlanCOS document.

**Mission Trace Shopping Center – Community Meeting Thursday, Sept.21st, 5:30-7:30 pm**

Roundtable to support small business House Bill about recidivism in SE Colorado Springs. Jill and Ellen will go. Ellen will bring up local food. Sophie suggested talking about food access and food equity. Sabrina suggested looking at House Bill 1326. Megan will send out PlanCOS ideas for SE Colorado Springs. Sabrina said this area is open to change.

**Broadmoor Tour – Scheduled for Tues, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 9-10 am; meeting in South Tower**

Purpose of the tour? They are the largest source of local food in the community and no one knows. Find out how it's integrated into their businesses. We could look at their practices and share info about how to do it with other local producers.

**Pikes Peak Environmental Forum – Friday, October 27, 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of every month, 12 pm-1:30 pm at the Margarita at Pine Creek.**

Megan will present about the FPAB, and she'd like some people to attend. A diverse group of people come each time.

**Administrative Issues, Attendance**

Sabrina will get us some rules and procedures for the board. Sabrina said the ordinance said two, three-year terms. You have to request to be re-appointed by the council. Sabrina will look for initial document with term info, so the board members know when their terms expire. Johnathan said he can put board recruiting info on social media. Megan will check in with Lyn. Megan suggested we have ties to both UCCS and Colorado College, so we may not need to have a non-voting student member.

**PlanCOS Proposal**

Next PlanCOS Steering Committee Meeting is Thursday, Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>

Jill suggested our proposal include boxes, bullets so they can have a quick read and also include comparables—Albuquerque and other similar-sized cities for jobs, employer competition.

Sabrina will work on bullets/edits and send to Megan and Joanna, who will do final copy editing.

**Green Cities Coalition**

Megan will send our PlanCos doc to Ellen to help coach the group on how to engage with the process.

**Engaging with Outside Groups/Community**

Sabrina could help invite other groups come present at our meetings like she does for another board.

**UCCS Stone Soup event 9/20 at CFAM**

Nanna would like the board to come and be interviewed. Cooking starts at 3 pm and eating at 4:30 pm. If FPAB group comes at 4 or 4:30 pm, that would work. They could use help with cooking. For interviews, the information goes to families and kids, so what do we want to say about the FPAB group? Could talk about the Farm stand ordinance.

Ellen wants to set up a series showing films at Westside Community Center, and the video from Nanna's grant.

**El Paso County Commissioner Liason**

Peggy Littleton is the FPAB current El Paso County Commissioner liason.

**Next Meeting Oct. 6<sup>th</sup> 8:30-10:30 am**