

Food Policy Hub Meeting 3/27 4-6pm United Way

Facilitator: Mary Hill

Attendees

Darcel-Food Security

Courtney-Legislative

Shelley-Legislative

Carlye-Access

Susan-Land Use

Rosetta-Local Food Flow

Mary-Land Use

Haven-PHW & Asset Mapping

Brandee-Access

Jeri-Food Security (new representative)

+7 attendees

**Gordon(through Caryle): Next Whole Council Sherrill Center Monday, May 11, 14, 18, 21
4-6pm**

What happens if one/both delegate cannot attend the general council meeting?

What is the role of an attendee of a meeting, yet they are not a representative of a cluster?

Only the elected delegates can vote, and only speak.

Attendees will be silent, except at the specific time (last 10 min of meeting).

Feedback on meeting in the closing round

Reaction Round:

-silencing is not the way to go

-observers should have a voice somewhere, not as voters, as observers

-hub is for cross pollenate

-designated time to ask questions

-modification for voice, needs to be well defined

-none voting, yet informative for prospective members to learn about our work and clusters

-sharing time, part of DG (used in Transition Asheville)

-discussions and opinions belong in the clusters

-addition and commentary to proposals with a valuable opinion

-to be talked about during whole group

Consent Round:

Agreed to talk about during whole council meeting and continue the original process without attendees voice until the end.

Rosetta: Lord's Acre, overlapping work; looking to add them in a way, although they spend over 20 hrs/week already (3yrs in Fairview)

PROPOSALS

Health

-will organize an educational forum at which these identified organizations will present their

work/mission including what the AB food policy council can do to further the AB FPC's Mission and Functions. (MANNA Food Bank, Appalachian Sustainable Agriculture Program, BCP, BR Food Ventures)

-Is it alright for the Health Cluster to put together this educational forum to inform for the general council about the organizations that aligned with the ABFPC's Mission and Functions.

Reaction Round:

-What does this have to do with policy?

To create policies, we need the information about what is out there already and issues.

-Needed to not repeat others work

-Focus on what these groups are doing for POLICY WORK

ex. "this is manna, this is who we are, and this is the piece we're working on."

Consent Round:

YES

*Next Cluster Meeting: April 9th French Broad Coop

Emergency

-Green Drinks event (May 9th) panel discussion-falls in alignment with the food security cluster

-to endorse on website, promote, and advocate to clusters and community Green Drinks.

Reaction:

-What is needed from the group?

Just endorse, website and communications will be figured out later.

Consent Round:

YES

Access

-Request that we all agree on a 1 page, standardized format for proposals so that they are clear and easy to understand; then put on the council website for all clusters

Reaction:

-how far in advance do these need to be posted?

-proposals could be sent in later, yet get pushed back (time wise)

-good for organizations to make a proposal to the council

-PDF format

-currently one week ahead, access cluster suggestion 2 weeks

-design a proposal for the proposal

Modification:

-Request that we all agree on a 1 page, standardized format for proposals so that they are clear and easy to understand; then put on the council website (2 weeks before the general council meeting) for all clusters. And make sure the community

Consent Round:

YES

Communications

Proposal: Each cluster is responsible to bring communications to their meeting to learn about the website.

Proposal off the table, council will speak with Mark and Dan individually.

Clusters responsibility

Local Food Flow

Proposal/Request:

- Mapping help map?
- Communications solve problems outside face to face meetings
- Chat, forum?
- Whole Council to define "local food flow."
- Least functional group, no facilitator
- Help mold the cluster?

Reaction:

- If "local food flow" was defined in cluster, it could strengthen
- Big opinions, big oppositions, WNC? Asheville City? Buncombe County?
- Access cluster is doing working groups (grant work on salad bar in Asheville High, creating a zine for real food insecure people)
- National Food Policy Council, how do they define local food flow?
- Most of the food is being grown in the more rural counties surround Buncombe
- Once Asset Mapping has the base map up, and a policy occurs Local Food Flow will be needed.
- Focus' may be changed at whole council

UPDATES

Legislation

2012 Farm Bill advocacy letter

- whole council sign the letter?
- cluster representatives signed?

Reaction:

- Cluster delegates should print and bring to their cluster meeting
- didn't discuss how letter would be signed
- individual

Proposal: Final draft of the letter will be sent out to the delegates to be signed individual

Reaction:

- everyone understands

Consent:

YES

Summer Food Program with Manna Food Bank

Find a way to evaluate the three month trial period

Land Use

-sent in recommendations to Gordon, realizing that we wanted to create a bigger vision for Asheville's land use.

local-ASHEVILLE

Model from Oregon-inventoried how much food was needed to be nutritious publicly v. how much land could be used to grow food.

Policy brainstorm: waving tax fees, increase property tax for those not growing any food on their land, water bill tariff, city budgets.

Policy problem: sports don't need liability forms, yet volunteers of the fruit and nut club.

Asset Mapping

- Homework/work group approach
- David has been working with Mark to update the website with Google Fusion tables
- Each person in the cluster has their own data table
- recruited
- Next few weeks everyone can have a KML file

Access

- identifying groups that are working with food access also, and high school group

Next General Hub Meeting: April 30, 2012 4-6pm United Way

***Brandee will email *Darcel will bring the flip chart**

***Facilitator-Rosetta**

***All cluster proposal are posted to the website on the 23rd**

CLOSING ROUND

- bogged down in beginning/frustration
- proposals accomplished!
- good discussions
- bugs still there
- frustrated; need a cheat sheet of DG(Jeri will create that)
- confused, the cross pollination, connections should request more from others
- moving in a good direction
- 3 attendees left early; voice?
- going through the growing pains, lots of faith
- administration work NEEDS to be planned out.
- Agenda tool with DG? Doodle?
- flip chart is important
- evaluation of council, independent of hub and cluster meeting?
- Whole council needs to be involved in evaluation
- Group of 5 will/should decide a lot of the evaluation points
- survey, forum?

VOICES OF ATTENDEES

Jackie-Senior from WW; internship creating an online resource to connect policy to service

- point person is important
- name cards (name, cluster, separate colors)
- Halfway through, the voices should be heard, take a break