

**Minutes of: Food System Council**

<b>Date:</b> January 23, 2014	<b>Location:</b> 1601 East Fourth Plain Blvd. , Vancouver, WA 98666	<b>Recorded by:</b> Kachina Inman
<b>Time:</b> 4:00-6:00pm	<b>Mtg. chaired by:</b> Erin Harwood	<b>Reviewed by:</b> Team

**Present:** Sandy Brown, Bill Coleman, Theresa Cross, Carolyn Gordon, Erin Harwood, Garrett Hoyt , Kachina Inman, Ann Foster, Lynn Finley, Shawn Morrill, George Vartanian, Eric Lambert, Warren Neth, Bill Zimmerman **Guests:** Jude Wait, Melissa Martin, Cyndie Meyer, **Absent:** Carrie Beck, Patty Ingraham, Paul Childers, Terri Brodie, Jodell Hinajosa, Ron McKnight

<b>Topic</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Decision</b>	<b>Follow-up</b>
<b>Meeting Minute Approval</b>	Minutes approved after changes requested by Carolyn regarding Master Garden Endowment is \$83,000 not million.		
<b>Updates: Healthy Living Collaborative</b>	Carolyn and Carrie attended the meeting and both joined the healthy eating workgroup. The group decided to write three letters of support. 1)Tap waters in schools through hydration stations, 2)Healthier Next Generation, which would create a special Governor’s Council and a multi-disciplinary strategic work groups focused on health, early, learning, and K-12 Environments 3.) Farmers Market Nutrition Program which provides vouchers for seniors and Woman Infants and Children to use on fresh fruits and veggies at the Farmers Market.		
<b>Updates: Membership Committee</b>	Need to pull together a membership committee as in the next month we will need to recruit for new members. The membership committee will consist of 3 council members and Public Health staff. Currently Ron McKnight is the only member on the committee. Bill Coleman and Garrett Hoyt offered to join the committee. Lynn Krogseng has also resigned from the Council. Will have 2-3 council slots to fill.		
<b>Updates: Washington State Farmers Market Association</b>	Friday January 3 – Sunday Feb 2 -Ann passed out the agenda. Clark County Public Health provided scholarship dollars and will have a exhibitors booth, which will include FSC information. If you have other information you want included send to Theresa. Ann invited multiple state legislators and five have said they plan to attend. A member suggested inviting the Board of County Commissioners.		
<b>Other Updates</b>	Theresa submitted a proposal for the annual NUSA conference and it was accepted. Ann and Theresa will present this Spring with a similar group from Lane County.  Jude has completed her research and plans to present on the Resilience of Food Farming in Clark County through participatory research in Feb. She will send out the proposal along with the agenda for the Feb. meeting.  Warren announced that the 40 <sup>th</sup> Tilth conference will be in Vancouver November 7-9. Slow		



	<p>Foods SW WA is looking at hosting appetizers and beer sampling one night.</p> <p>Ann won the Clark County Spirit award for all her incredible work in the community. She will be presented the award at the state of the County on March 6.</p> <p>Sandy Brown thanked the Council for their letter of support for inclusion of SNAP in the Farm Bill</p> <p>Eric announced the Woman in Agriculture conference is happening soon. He will send the details to the council.</p> <p>George V. announced that the Commissioners met on Tuesday and have decided not to expand the urban growth boundary due to lack of estimated population growth in the near future. The board selected a medium outreach plan with cluster provisions.</p> <p>Gordie said Community Planning will keep below web page updated:  <a href="http://www.clark.wa.gov/planning/comp_plan/">http://www.clark.wa.gov/planning/comp_plan/</a></p>		
<p><b>Work Group Time</b></p>	<p>Council voted to write three letters of support 1) Healthier Next Generation 2)Farmers Market Nutrition Program 3)Hydration stations at Schools</p>		
	<p><b>Next meeting: Feb 27, 2014 at 4:00pm</b></p>		

