

<p>Purpose: Johnson County Food Policy Council Meeting</p> <p>Date: 8.19.24</p>	<p>Time: 6:00 pm-8:00 pm</p> <p>Location: Johnson County Historic Poor Farm</p>	<p>Note taker: Joe Klingelhutz</p> <p>Members In Attendance: Bill Weedman Jr, Deborah Kuiken, Giselle Bruskevitz, Joe Klingelhutz, Mike Roelf, Penny Rembolt, Zee Brown, Olivia Bohlmann, Consuelo Guayara Sanchez, Camille Veri, Michelle Harreld</p> <p>Ex Officio: Ilsa DeWald, Julie Watkins, Maddie McCabe</p> <p>Guests: Levi Geyer</p> <p>Absent: Josephine Josten, Jayce Nguyen, Katie Hamlet, Shawn Williams</p>
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Agenda Item	Discussion	Action Items – Due Date
1. Meeting Called to Order by Giselle @ 6:05pm		
2. Introductions	Introductions of everyone for new members.	
3. Tour of JCHPF	Julie Watkins led a tour of the Poor Farm	
4. Potluck	Members introduce the food they brought for the potluck	
5. Minutes Approval	Change Michelle Harreld's name. Approved unanimously	
6. Discuss Community Food and Farm Grant	<p>Maddie discusses site visits for CFFG recipients. Maddie will send out a Google Sheets for members to sign up for site visits.</p> <p>We funded 17 CFFG. All the money has been spent.</p> <p>Ilsa is hearing from farmers and business owners who just found out about the grant and Ilsa told them there are no more rounds of funding. There is a working group that will discuss acquiring more funding</p>	
7. Discuss Working Groups	<p>CFFG Group</p> <p>Rural Network Connections</p>	

	<p>Value Added Business Development</p> <p>We want to use this meeting to revamp our current working groups. Maddie has created one-page documents describing these groups. They are available in the shared drive.</p> <p>We will break out into working groups in this meeting to discuss moving forward with group plans. Planning to break out at the end of the meeting</p>	
8. Discuss FPC Happy Hour for Fall 2024	<p>Zee would love for the Happy Hour to be at the Lone Ox Smokehouse and Co in Lone Tree. No one is opposed to having the Happy Hour at the Lone Ox restaurant. The Rural Network Connections working group will make the final decision for that. Zee is doing a lot of publicity for the Happy Hour</p> <p>The Happy Hour will happen sometime in November.</p>	
9. Discuss 2024 Annual Forum	<p>Happy Hours have usually been more casual. Annual Forums are used to expand the awareness of the FPC and gather input in different areas of the community. Community members can bring up issues and topics for the FPC to consider. Last in-person forum was in Feb 2020. We usually have guest speakers on a panel to discuss local food and ag. The Council will help plan this. Do we want to do virtual or in-person this year? Thinking about food access and connection to local food. The state just invested in a local food grant assisted by the IFSC. There are several angles to discuss CFFG at the forum.</p> <p>Zee proposes the idea of the slogan “We Mess With Farmers.” The group discusses the meaning behind the slogan and whether or not this would land well with community members.</p> <p>One of our goals is reaching new audiences. Going virtual made it more accessible. But are we zoomed out? Which working group will help narrow these conversations moving forward? Most people prefer doing the forum in-person. Ideas of doing a hybrid meeting are thrown out. Idea of having the forum at HPF in livestock barn is an option.</p>	
10. Discuss FPC Update to BoS	<p>We have an opportunity for members to get familiar with giving updates to BoS. Giselle usually gives the updates, and we can elect someone else to learn how to do this with Giselle while she transitions out of Chair role in the future. We have some time before we need to decide this - October.</p>	
11. Updates from Local Food and Farm	<p>Farm2Street Dinner was a great success last week! The beneficiary was VeggieConnect.</p>	

<p>Manager, Ilsa Dewald</p>	<p>HPF Open House - 120+ attendees throughout the event. Very successful event! Talking about doing one every year.</p> <p>Invite to HPF Planting Event - Thurs, Aug 22, 5-7pm</p> <p>HPF Kitchen Project came back under budget</p> <p>Dairy Barn Visitor Center Design Finalized</p> <p>Farm Cycle - Sept 15 - HPF will be one of the stops.</p> <p>CPR Class - for moe on-farm safety at the farm</p> <p>Artist Grant - empty pieces of concrete will become a mural to tell the stories of people with lived experiences of disability. Supporting the artists in their application.</p> <p>Next Iowa Food Systems Coalition Meeting - Thursday, Sept 12, 2024, 9am-11:30am</p> <p>Jon Green is not in attendance</p>	
<p>12. Food Policy Action Items</p>	<p>Going around and asking members if they are okay with the working groups they are in. Everyone is okay with where they are at currently.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Meeting adjourned by Giselle @ 7:59pm</p>		