

Knoxville-Knox County Food Policy Council Meeting Minutes

Date & Location: Thursday, March 15, 2018; Knox County Health Department

Type of Meeting: Regular

Attending Appointed (Voting) Members	Rebecca Saldivar - Tootsie Food Truck/New Harvest Farmers' Market Fiona McAnally - Knox County Health Department Kristen Faerber - Food Consultant/Community Volunteer Kimberly Pettigrew- SFTV/Nourish Knoxville Ellen Morar- YMCA Khann Chov – Beardsley Farm Heather Kyle-Harmon- UT Extension Willa Essie- Community Volunteer Vivian Williams- National Women in Ag. Assoc.
Attending Associate Members	Amanda Spangler - Center for Urban Agriculture Jen Russomanno- 2 Chicks and a Farm Ellen Morar – YMCA Garden Jim Gray- ETPRI
Other Attendees	Brian Blackmon – City of Knoxville Liz Albertson – MPC Daniel Aisenbrey – KCHD John LeCroy- TDEC Morgan Bartels- UT Extension Intern Sara Keel- CAC Matthew Gabb- CAC VAT Christina Peterson- UT Student

1.	Rebecca called the meeting to order. <u>Confirmed Members, Officers, and Previous Meeting Minutes</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reminder of the new and re-appointed members: Ellen Morar and Judith Pelot. • 2018 officers: <i>Chair: Rebecca Vice-Chair: Kristen Secretary: Kimberly</i>
2.	RECODE Updates from Brian and Liz <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently in first public review period. Second draft review in September. Final review in Fall before it's sent to City Council. • To review Draft One or find Meeting availability visit: recodeknoxville.com • Brian possibly arranging a workshop tailored to FPC, and FPC can draft a formal letter. <p><i>*Other MPC updates:</i> Fruit and Berry Patch being re-zoned for development. John Sevier Scenic Highway community also wants to protect historical agricultural character by establishing regulations that exceed state requirements.</p>
4.	STATE POLICY UPDATES

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bill HB2120/SB2634 authorizing TACiR to do a feasibility study on the Fresh Food Financing Initiative that would use income from a <1% food tax on SSB's to incentivize grocery stores to move to food deserts. When the time comes, FPC should draft a letter. • Bill HB2229/SB2104 in House on de-regulation of homemade foods labeling. Un-likely to advance.
5.	<p>EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE UPDATES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Committee Structure will be utilized in 2018 • Local Data Committee: will help tell the story of the food policy council and the food system in Knox County. They will assist in the creation of data for reports and letters. • Outreach and Reporting Committee: will craft policy recommendations based on data, create a <i>"State of the Food Community Report"</i> and will provide updates on achievements and findings that came out of the <i>"2013 Community Research Findings"</i>. • Committees members are listed below. Committee participation is not required. Please contact Kimberly if you would like to sign-up or change your preference. kpettigr@gmail.com • Monthly meetings will be extended to accommodate time for committee work.
6.	NEW WEBSITE & LOGO REVIEW: postponed to April Meeting
	Next meeting: April 19 from 8:30-10am @ the KCHD Community Room

Local Data Committee

1. Liz Albertson
2. Khann Chov
3. Ellen Morar
4. Matthew Gabb
5. Sara Keel
6. Fiona McAnally
7. Kimberly Pettigrew
8. Kristen Faerber

Outreach and Reporting Committee

1. John LeCroy
2. Heather Kyle-Harmon
3. Jen Russomanno
4. Rebecca Salvidar