

Knoxville-Knox County Food Policy Council Meeting Minutes

Date & Location: Thursday, February 20, 2020; CAC's LT Ross Building

Type of Meeting: Regular

Recorder: Kristen Faerber

Attending Appointed (Voting) Members	Adam Caraco Willa Essie Kristen Faerber Brett Foster Ellen Morar Judith Pelot Kimberly Pettigrew Vivian Williams Elizabeth Wunschel
Attending Associate Members	Jim Gray- FISH Pantry
Other Attendees	Mark Carper- CAC AmeriCorps Jackie Yenerall- UT Institute of Agriculture Fiona McAnally- City of Knoxville Brian Blackmon- City of Knoxville Amber Ford- KCHD

1.	Brian called the meeting to order and introduced the new appointees: Elizabeth Wunschel, Adam Caraco, and Brett Foster.
2.	<p>Staffing Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brian announced COK staffing changes that will impact FPC. He is now the Director of the Office of Sustainability and will be stepping down as the City staff representative. Fiona McAnally, who has a long history with the FPC, is now the Director of Legislative Affairs and Policy and will step in as the new COK staff representative. The group expressed thanks to Brian for his service.
3.	<p>Approval of Minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Judith motioned to approve the <u>November 2019 minutes; unanimously approved.</u>
4.	<p>Bylaws Review: Brian reviewed the proposed bylaws changes. <u>Judith motioned to approve the by-laws changes; passed unanimously.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Article 4, Section 3.02: "October" changed to "last quarterly" Article 5, Section 5: "...at the October, November, or December meeting" changed to "in the last quarter of the year" Article 8, Sections 2-3: "January" changed to "first quarterly"
5.	<p>Committee Discussion/Formation: Committee work will continue in 2020. Members of the Bylaws and Nominating Committees are to be appointed at the first quarterly meeting of the year. <u>Kimberly motioned to approve the 2020 committee members; passed unanimously.</u></p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 2020 Nominating Committee: Elizabeth Wunschel (chair), Brett Foster, Judith Pelot ● 2020 Bylaws Committee: Ellen Morar (chair), Kimberly Pettigrew, Willa Essie
6.	<p>Announcements and Upcoming Events</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Fiona shared a bill she’s monitoring from the State that may have an impact locally on growth plans. Other relevant bills she’s monitoring are related to urban agriculture, food donations and food safety, and the Food Freedom Act. These bills are still in committee. ● Kimberly shared that the proposed federal budget would cut the WIC farmers’ market nutrition program. ● Brett shared that she is will be part of the school nutrition delegation visiting DC in March to meet with legislators. ● Judith and Kimberly proposed presenting the recent FPC report to City Council and County Commission. The Executive Committee will flush out the details and communicate dates for FPC members to attend and offer support. ● Willa referenced the Kroger/Walgreens partnership and praised the quality of the changes. Judith shared the benefits of this new resource for the senior population. ● Judith will be the Nutrition Services Director at CAC and will continue to work with Mobile Meals in this expanded role. ● Vivian announced that the Austin East garden program is finally making progress, and they are looking for sponsors to provide stipends to students for their work. ● Vivian was congratulated for a recent appointment to a state advisory council. ● Kimberly brought up the idea of topical interest meetings, data discussions, and networking sessions between regularly scheduled meetings.
3.	<p>Meeting Adjourned. Next Meeting: May 21, from 8:30-9:30 a.m. @ CAC Multi-Purpose Room</p>