

Knoxville-Knox County Food Policy Council Meeting Minutes

Date & Location: Wednesday, April 17, 2024; United Way of Greater Knoxville

Type of Meeting: Annual Retreat

Recorder: Brett Foster

<p>Attending Appointed (Voting) Members Bolded names in attendance</p>	<p>Bruce Crabtree Femeika Elliott Bailey Foster Brett Foster Laura Deubler Sara Keel Marisa Moazen Jen Russomanno Rylan Thompson Lauren Woods Donna Wright</p>
<p>Attending Associated (Non-voting) Members Bolded names in attendance</p>	<p>Chris Battle Kat Bike Beth Brown Jasmine Bryant Adam Caraco Sarah DeWitt Nicole Gross Travis Henderson Juanita Jones Ross Jones Hailey Lewis Marissa McKeague Judith Pelot Porschia Pickett Charlotte Rodina Wade Seifert Marsha Spence Caesar Stair Erin Sweeney Sandra Wairimu Tiara-Lady Wilson</p>
<p>Other Attendees (all names listed were in attendance)</p>	<p>Kimberly Pettigrew—United Way Greater Knoxville Madelyn Howe—Knox County Health Department Fiona McAnally—City of Knoxville</p> <p>Amir Al-Bawi—AMAC/MCK/Meharry Fadi Aboush—Three Rivers Market Jasmine Bryant—Women with Vision Liliana Burbano—UT Medical Center</p>

	Becky Hooper—Nourish Knoxville Courtney Liles—Second Harvest Sheri McCain—Boys & Girls Clubs Amy Moden—YWCA Knoxville Devalle Muhammed—Muslim Community of Knoxville Blake Weiss—UTK
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1.	Welcome and Introductions: Bailey Foster a. Icebreaker—Madelyn Howe (what would you do during your free time?—categories setup around the room for individuals to choose and share with each other)
2.	Rooting Ourselves (Group work and share out) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of founding documents <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Established 42 years ago, which is the oldest in nation; over 300 FPCs in United States; John Hopkins University has a team (Food Policy Networks) devoted to FPCs ○ Founded within City of Knoxville in partnership with Planning; added as partnership with County in 2002 • Review of Nominations process <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Focus on ability to actively participate by voting members ○ Create a rubric of what is needed from members (voting vs. associate) ○ Prioritize nomination of voting members based on FPC goals • Review of Bylaws/governance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Encourage participation from for-profit entities ○ Need to report out/advocate more (slightly insular at the moment) ○ Need a way to store and share information ○ Highlight work and accomplishments of members (annual report to City Council) ○ Catalog wins that happen each year through collaboration and networking ○ Encourage additional collaboration among members ○ Bring voices together and amplify by problem solving together • Review of key roles/responsibilities of FPC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Connect people, organizations, stories ○ Acknowledge and honoring history of food work ○ Understand context of FPC creation ○ Increase visibility and impact of work we all do ○ Increase clarity on how FPC ties in to organizational activities mentioned in meetings ○ City Council/County Commission reports/attendance
3.	Growing Our Work: Kimberly Pettigrew & Madelyn Howe Postpone until later date

4.	<p>Establishing 2024 Committees</p> <p>a. Nominations (Marissa Moazen, Jasmine Bryant, Blake Weiss)</p> <p>b. Bylaws (Bruce Crabtree, Travis Henderson, Hailey Lewis, Kevin Murphy)</p>
5.	<p>Organizational Updates/Announcements: Bailey Foster</p> <p>Hailey Lewis: advocating for nutrition labels to be placed on alcoholic beverages</p> <p>KCDC: demolition of 60 sites at Western Heights; First Creek at Austin Phase 2—hoping contractor will finish soon (contractor 2 years behind)—additional 180 units will open</p> <p>Knox County Schools: S-EBT information coming soon—please communicate to clients about the possibility of an additional application if not already certified for free/reduced priced meals at schools</p> <p>Nicole Gross: April is Limb Difference Awareness month—reach out to Nicole if clients have needs</p> <p>UT: looking for partnerships for horticulture therapy (specifically with veterans)</p>
6.	<p>Meeting Adjourned</p>

Upcoming Meetings:

- May 15, 2024, 8:30-10:00—UT Students Market Basket Study/Food Supports for School-aged Children (Sandra Wairimu and Imelda Gutierrez)