



Sustainable Food Policy Board Food Production & Business Committee

APPROVED OCTOBER MEETING MINUTES Tuesday, October 12, 2010

The Sustainable Food Policy Board (SFPB) – Food Production & Business Committee convened on Tuesday, October 12, 2010 at Travis County Palm Square in Conference Room 2307, 100 NIH 35, Austin, Texas

Committee Chair Allison Beadle called the meeting to order at 12:35 pm.

Committee Members in Attendance:

Allison Beadle Richard Pierce

Max Elliott

Katie Kraemer

Visiting Board Members:

Paula McDermott, Board Chair

Staff in Attendance:

Sherri Fleming, TC HHS/VS

David Salazar, TCHHS/VS

Cyd Grimes, TC Purchasing

Juanita Jackson, TCHHS/VS Edna Staniszewski, HHSD

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

None

2. APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 13, 2010

Committee member Katie Kraemer made the motion to approve the September 16, 2010 minutes with the amended to 3B to change the second line in the first sentence to read "that it is on standby." The motion was seconded by Committee member Richard Pierce. Vote 3-0-0.

3. DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION

A. Update on Travis County purchasing program by Cyd Grimes, Travis County Purchasing Agent.

Committee discussed with Travis County Purchasing Agent, Cyd Grimes the options were purchasing local food would be an available and the feasibility to the County. The Committee discussed coordinating a visit to the jail. Committee Member Richard Pierce took the lead on the coordinating efforts and will report back to the committee at the next meeting. No action taken.

B. Review and discuss Food Business and Production Committee work plan by Allison Beadle and Max Elliot.

The work plan was briefly discussed with the expectations to be further discussed at the next meeting with a draft of the committee's objectives. No action taken.

C. Update on Composting Research by Composting Work

Committee member Richard Pierce announced that Katie Mulholland will come to the next full board meeting on October 25, 2010 to report findings. No action taken.

D. Update on Hot Food at Farmer's Market by Allison Beadle and Paula McDermott

Board Chair, Paula McDermott reported that she met with Mayor Pro Tem Mike Martinez, Council Member Chris Riley, Andi Moore, Stephanie McDonald, Suzanne Santos, Arthur D'Andrea and Allison Beadle to discuss the need to modify the mobile unit and they are working on a draft ordinance and will be presented on the October 28, 2010 agenda. Public Health will work on creating a solution to permitting for the hot food sampling at farmers markets. No action taken.

4. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Discuss possible items for next committee meeting. The following items were discussed as potential items for the next committee meeting.

- Update by Richard Pierce on visit to the jail.
- Discuss the new City of Austin resolution on hot food sampling
- Update by Farmers Market representative Suzanne Santos on the TFER rules.
- Invite hot food vendors to committee meeting to provide input on needs at the farmers market
- Receive an update on ordinance for water irrigation by Rusty Coburn

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:07pm.