

South Sound Food System Network	
Date/Time/Location	November 2, 2016 - 9:30am – 11:30am - TRPC
Document	Monthly Meeting Minutes
Chairs	Katie Rains and Aslan Meade (Co-chairs)
Note taker	Lesley Price, Secretary

1) Introductions & Announcements (*Announcements written on sign-in sheet are included in meeting minutes*)

1. Alyssa Auvinen, WA State Dept. of Health
 - a. Complete Eats program at DOH – www.doh.wa.gov/completeeats
 - b. Be on the lookout for a new market manager announcement (Tumwater Farmers Market)
2. Aslan Meade, Thurston Economic Development Council
3. Brittany Payne, Intern @ Thurston EDC
4. Cathy Visser, Senior Services for South Sound, Senior Nutrition Program
5. Chris Koehler, WSU Grays Harbor Extension
6. Christine Ciancetta, WSU Mason County Extension, SNAP-Ed and Go Slow Food
 - a. Participated in international slow food conference in Torino, IT
7. Karen Parkhurst, Thurston Regional Planning Council
8. Katie Rains, Garden Raised Bounty (GRuB)
 - a. Fri 11/18 Community Appreciation @HOCCM 6-8pm
 - b. Thur 12/1 Art benefit for GRuB
 - c. GRuB, Senior Services, TCFB, & Helsing Junction Farm are submitting USDA CFP grant
9. Laura Woodworth, Thurston County Food Bank, Dietitian
 - a. Plan, shop, save & cook class for adults @ Oly Senior Center in December
10. Lesley Price, Thurston County Public Health
11. Lisa Smith, Enterprise for Equity
 - a. Nov 17th Roundtable discussion – meeting house at Priest Point
 - b. Nov 4th Labor and Industries
 - c. Scatter Creek Incubator Farm Applications available
12. Marcela Shannon, Garden Raised Bounty (GRuB)
 - a. Send out your love thoughts and prayers for Mary K and the other water protectors @ Standing Rock fighting for clean water and Native rights!
13. Michaela Winkley, Thurston County Food Bank, School Gardens
 - a. Always looking for volunteers working with children and families, cooking in classrooms, school evening events, and farm stands at schools
14. Neil Weinberg, South of the Sound Community Farm Land Trust
15. Nora White, Thurston Conservation District
 - a. Nov. 18th – climate change affects ag. Event at Black Lake Grange from 4-8pm, put on with WSU

16. Mary Ann O'Garro, Epidemiologist, Thurston County Public Health
17. Paul Elwood, Thurston For Clean Energy
18. Petter Epperson, Catholic Community Services, Community Kitchen
19. Peter Guttchen, Thurston County Solid Waste
20. Peter Witt, Citizen, Distribution
21. R Jeanne Rehwaldt, Mason Matters
 - a. Nov 10 – Community forum to launch Moving Mason Forward and opportunity for the community to provide input about services provided by Mason General Hospital, 3pm – 6pm – Pershing Room at Mason General Hospital
22. Shelley Ferer, League of Women Voters Thurston County
23. Tracy Smaciarz, Heritage Meats Puget Sound Processing
 - a. Remodeling and updating retail space at Heritage Meats

Diane Grace Crutcher wishes everyone a wonderful holiday season and a productive new year. She will be supporting the local food movement by buying and juicing 20-pounds of organic vegetables and fruits a day, for the next 2-years, while she resolves a medical issue.

2) Standing Working Issue Team (WIT) Reports

- Leadership/Housekeeping
 - Action Required – Approve October Meeting Minutes
 - Consensus reached, October Meeting Minutes approved
 - Confirm Date for End of Year Celebration
 - Wednesday, December 7, 6:30pm
 - Katie will send out an invitation with location
 - 2017 Scheduling Poll
 - There was a technical issue with the Doodle poll, was sent out again, results pending
 - Will be voting for leadership positions next month: Aslan and Katie both willing to have someone replace them as co-chair
- Communications
 - Lesley continues to post the agendas and minutes to the Thurston Thrives Food Team's webpage:
<http://thurstonthrives.org/action-teams/food/>

- Legislative
 - Continue to reach out to legislative leaders
 - Question from participant asking if food waste is a policy focus of network
 - Karen will bring this up to the legislative group
 - Katie stated SSFSN does not have a policy agenda at this time
- Zero Net Loss
 - No changes to report
- Data – 2015 Report Next Steps
 - Katie sent out a form for people to send in data that relates to the network's strategies
 - Reported metrics
 - Senior food security
 - Pounds of food distributed by food bank
 - Nutrition education provided by food bank
 - GRuB gardens and community gardens
 - Summer meals
 - Desired metrics
 - Mobile slaughter
 - Food policies
 - SD policy
 - Mason County Corrections Center food distribution
 - Nutrition education
 - Food utilization
 - Waste/capita
 - Milk waste
 - Meals after recess
 - Food safety
 - WIC certified stores
 - Food production
 - SSCFLT farms in map
 - Establish Plan for adding metrics to 2015 Report
 - Katie noted SSFSN is a volunteer group
 - Reviewed SSFSN Mission
 - Reviewed SSFNS Vision

- Noted that COLLABORATION is a key norm
 - Report has been about “telling our story”
 - What can we do better together than alone?
 - Report is not required, but valuable
 - Thurston Thrives is asking for meaningful and viable data measures each year (quantitative and community based)
 - Could measure fruit and vegetable consumption (data is available)
 - Could measure collaboration as the community measure
 - Mary Ann O’Garro from TCPHSS’s request for Thurston Thrives
 - Asking group to volunteer to put forward two types of measures
 - Community health measure
 - Strategy measure
 - Will be used to create an infographic and a public dashboard
 - Fruit and vegetable consumption data is available
 - Collaboration can be measured
 - Measure things like new grants, partnerships, policies
 - Group consensus to use fruit and vegetable consumption data for the community health measure
 - Group consensus to use number of collaborations as the strategy measure
 - Next steps to inform 2016 Report
 - Lesley to send out Food Action Team Strategy Map to group
 - Need to update strategy map
 - Need to start doing collective impact
 - Find what is missing in our priorities

- Katie reviewed the group's identified priorities from January 2016
- Need to change strategy map and then from there decide what to work on
- Template for strategy map can be changed per Mary Ann O'Garro

3) Strategy Discussion

- Identify leverage points & explore unique opportunities for SSFSN in 2017
 - Get focused messages for education campaign

4) Adjourn

5) Next meeting (and last for the year) December 7, 2016