

South Sound Food System Network	
Date/Time/Location	December 7, 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. Tumwater Farmers Market looking for Market Manager – Alyssa will send out position description/solicitation on the SSFSN
2. Ashley McBee, Thurston Conservation District
3. Aslan Meade, Thurston Economic Development Council
 - a. Thurston Investment Network – Public Info Night Feb. 15 training for investors & biz’s Feb 16 5:30pm @ Center for Biz & Innovation SPSCC Lacey Campus
 - b. Start a Food Truck biz Jan 11 6-8pm same location
4. Celeste Wade, Slow Food, South of the Sound Community Farmland Trust
5. Charissa Waters, Thurston County Resource Stewardship
 - a. Ag community roundtable Dec 8 @ 5-6:30 @ TRPC to get input on ag viability from the community and how to best measure the value of ag
6. Chris Koehler, WSU Grays Harbor Extension
7. Christine Ciancetta, WSU Mason County Extension
 - a. Dec. 10 “Disrupting (Food) Business as Usual” 1-3pm, Farmhouse @ Evergreen, Revolutionary ideas from Slow Food Int’l Conference
 - b. Jan 8 Slow Food Annual Mtg. Eastside Urban Farm & Garden 11:00 – 1:30pm (all welcome)
8. Jo Sanchez, Mason County Public Health
9. Joel Hansen, Planning Commissioner City of Tumwater
10. Karen Parkhurst, Thurston Regional Planning Council
11. Katie Rains, Garden Raised Bounty (GRuB)
 - a. Duck the Malls – Saturday 12/10 11-4 @ Capitol Theater in Olympia
12. Lesley Price, Thurston County Public Health
 - a. Working with Rochester School District on an application for a Farm to School Grant
13. Lisa Everson, Student Nurse
14. Lisa Smith, Enterprise for Equity
 - a. Cascadia Grains Conference Jan 6-7, 2017
 - b. Art-Preneur event Dec. 8 2016
15. Marcela Shannon, Garden Raised Bounty (GRuB)
16. Mayra Pena, Thurston Asset Building Coalition

17. Nora White, Thurston Conservation District
 - a. Hiring a Resource Tech & a Habitat Tech – let me know if you need the positions again (also on TCD website)
 - b. Plant sale pre-orders live on our website now through January 30
18. R Jeanne Rehwaldt, Mason Matters
 - a. Currently presenting to group doing work to improve community health & wellness. If anyone is working in Mason Co. and want to schedule a presentation – contact me.
19. Rachel Friedman, Sustainable South Sound
20. Sarah Moorehead, Thurston Conservation District
 - a. Native plant sale festival – Saturday, March 4, 2017 at 10am @ TCD office; on farm energy efficiencies workshop – 6pm Thursday, January 19 @ Rainier Sportsman Club
21. Tracy Smaciarz, Heritage Meats Puget Sound Processing
 - a. Expanding retail sales at Heritage

2) Standing Working Issue Team (WIT) Reports

- Leadership/Housekeeping
 - Action Required – Approve November Meeting Minutes
 - Minutes approved with one change – correct website for Alyssa’s announcement
 - SSFSN Charter Updates
 - Key relationships language update – review & approve
 - Katie handed out a revised Charter
 - Reviewed added content of key relationships among Thurston Asset Building Coalition, Thurston Thrives Food Action Team and Thurston Food System Council
 - Participant requested to add more language to Thurston Asset Building Coalition
 - Methods update – next steps
 - Coming soon – New leadership to review and revise
 - Consensus reached for language for Thurston Thrives Food Action Team and Thurston Food System Council (Thurston Asset Building Coalition language to be revised by requesting participant)
 - Leadership Team Elections
 - Call for Nominees for Co-Chairs

- Aslan Meade and Katie Rains
 - Will continue one more year
- Call for Nominees for Secretary
 - No nominations or volunteers
 - SSFSN participants will take turns taking minutes at meetings in 2017
 - R. Jeanne Rehwaldt volunteered to take Minutes for January meeting
- Call for Nominees for Treasurer
 - Alyssa Auvinen
 - Alyssa will continue one more year
- Communications
 - Secretary continues to post Agendas and Minutes to Thurston Thrives website Food page
- Legislative
 - Karen Parkhurst shared (handout) and discussed TRPC legislative issues
 - Lobby days coming up
- Zero Net Loss
 - No update
- Data – Templates & 2015 Report Timeline
- Data – 2015 Food System Report Next Steps
 - Turn in data and stories for 2015 Report
 - **See assignments from 11.2.16 Meeting
 - No new data has been turned in
 - Some participants said they will turn in data
 - Deadline December 20, 2016 (data sets and case statements)
 - Establish small WIT to compile data & stories into report
 - Some participants volunteered to help
 - Discuss and approve data sets for Thurston Thrives dashboard
 - Censuses reached to use both data measures discussed at November meeting
 - Fruit/Vegetable consumption

- Collaboration

- Next steps to prepare for 2016 Report
 - Deadline December 20, 2016

3) SSFSN Strategies and 2017 Priorities Discussion

- a. Katie noted that education and engagement have been part of past years' priority discussions
 - i. Proposed working on a public education/engagement/outreach campaign (handout provided)
 - 1. Develop key messages and test them on groups
 - 2. Includes Food Summit in 2017
 - 3. Includes timeline
- Participants agree to continue to discuss at January meeting

4) Terra Madre 2016 Report Back – Christine C.

- a. Christine provided a summary about her experience in Italy for a Slow Food International Conference
 - i. 7000 delegates
 - ii. 141 countries
 - iii. 5 days
 - iv. 2 Olympia gals
- b. Food access and food justice a large part of Slow Food International; 3 aspects of Slow Food
 - i. Good food
 - ii. Clean food
 - iii. Fair food
- c. Encouraged participants to inform Slow Food what your priorities are

5) Community Health Improvement Plan – Jeanne R. and Jo Sanchez

- a. Moving Mason Forward
 - i. Provided history of Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP)
 - 1. In order for health departments to be accredited need to have a CHIP and a Community Health Assessment (CHA)
 - 2. Mason County identified 7 high priority areas
 - ii. Conducting an awareness campaign
 - iii. Focus on collection data and improving communication

6) Adjourn 11:30AM

Upcoming Meeting(s) & Agenda Items:

- January 4, 2016
 - Review & Adopt 2015 Food System Report
 - Discuss & Adopt 2017 SSFSN Priorities