



Meeting Minutes December 6th 9:30-11:30AM

Thurston Regional Planning Council - 2424 Heritage Ct SW Suite A, Olympia, WA 98502

Attendees: Sarah Robertson, Chris Koehler, Lesley Price, Shayna Wiseman, Rachel Friedman, Katie Rains, Mayra- Pena, Stephanie Abraham, Tracy Smaciarz, Celeste Wade, Whitney Trotta, Alyssa Auvinen, Marilyn Sitaker, Aslan Meade, Shelley Ferer, Jenni Crain,

Leadership:

- Katie offers to stay on as chair for 2018; Cathy approved as Secretary & Katie approved as Chair for 2018
- Looking to move to chair and vice chair
- Who would like to be vice chair?
- Treasurer also needed
- Tackle in new year, network for grants

Communications:

- Need to continue – Karissa from EDC is willing/able to continue making website updates
- Jan- check in with Whitney
- Contact list- Leslie manages and can put up minutes

Legislative:

- What is date for Food and Farming Network, now known as Food Action, Lobby Day?

Fundraising:

- Apologies checks didn't get sent out within two weeks of Food Summit.
- To date everyone has been paid
- Awaiting cash from sponsors
- Check in at Thurston Thrives
- \$475 with almost \$4000 outstanding
- Proposal from Katie to print up final 3 rack cards and swag: T-Shirts, Tote Bags, carry funds over as seed money for future event
- Proposal from Alyssa to pay Joanne an hour a month instead of going through Thurston Thrives
- Nice to have chamber involved in some way
Cons: compass 360 didn't work well
Pro: value having that relationship
- Katie says pursue shirts and bags but don't order until we have cash in hand
- Feedback on neutrality of fiscal sponsorship to Katie via Email

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Marketing:

- Rack cards- People are using them!
- Marilyn, Jenni, Katie volunteer to work on this project(?)

Metrics:

- Need sign in sheet
- Marilyn- happy to volunteer her experience with metrics and data sets and would be a great project for Evergreen Students

Thurston Talk:

- Ideas for using article
- Food waste issue
- Soil science
- Katie will keep alive and Jenni will help shape the article

Food Summit Debrief:

- Compass 360 not a good fit. Need more user friendly platform
- How to manage staffing?
- Food safety liaison
- Cathy did a lot legwork
- Childcare coordinator
- Waste management
- Summit marketing
- Evaluation lead needs to be decided much earlier on
- Not able to get into rooms
- People got lost in parking lot
- Need people standing out in lot to help direct
- Student documentation available, Marilyn will help Katie with editing
- Tracy says communicating with the chef was sparse and would like to have more support from the college

Health Department Meeting:

- Food safety educational check list needed
- Need Temporary Food Permit for Event
- Need to promote shift in policy
- Getting permit late fees back?
- Public Health needs greater reach into community
- Aslan interested in heading that

Evaluations:

- Preliminary reports passed around
- Very few complaints
- Lots of positive connections
- "How are we going to stay connected?"
- Delegates- more in 2018
- Colleges- student group lunch presentations, Celeste will follow up
- Hope expressed that it makes it into next year's priorities

Future

- Rachel spoke on community garden, conservation district strategies, municipal led and partnered program, human governance piece

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- Purpose for 2018: see where we are going with individual projects, see where combine efforts, support one another
- Katie- Winter break Feb and March
- Group prioritization
- Wit Format
- Most effective strategy for Food Systems Change?
- Jan- Bring what is your capacity and personal passion to the table
- College engagement piece
- Local food policy
- Garden interest
- Collective learning and strategy
- Mini summit?
- Farm to fork at fairs
- Tasting salons
- USDA community food grant for planning
- K-12 FFA
- Want to keep momentum going from Tenino
- Event support group: Org Support, Savor South Sound
- Party 12/19 4:30-6:30 location TBD, city council meeting after that at 7pm

Minutes taken by Shayna Wiseman

Next Meeting: Wednesday **January 3rd** 9:30-11:30AM at TRPC (*Corrected 12/18/17 KR*)