

Minutes of: Food System Council

Date: June 23, 2011	Location: Heritage Farm, 1919 NE 78 th St. Vancouver, WA 98660	Recorded by: Theresa Cross
Time: 4:00-6:00pm	Mtg. chaired by: Jill teVelde	Reviewed by: Team

Present: Robert Bacon, Paul Childers, Theresa Cross, Elspeth Durek, Dion Hess, Cyndie Meyer, Warren Neth, Jennifer Prouse, Tammy Rodriguez, Gayle Rothrock, Barbara Underwood. **Guests:** Maika Horjus (Urban Abundance), Josy Wright (Waste Connections), Carrie Beck (SeaMar- WIC), Barbara Underwood’s husband (name?)
Absent: Carolyn Gordon, Erin Harwood, Jhon Kuppens, Greta Lavadour, Ron McKnight, Debe Nagy-Nero, Kristine Perry, Amanda Schlegel, Amy Sidran, Summer Steenbarger

Topic	Discussion	Decision	Follow-up
Welcome and Introductions	Theresa called the meeting to order. A brief election was held; Jill was voted in as chair. Jill then chaired the meeting. Ice breaker: “If you were a fruit or vegetable, what would you be and why?” Share with neighbor & introduce each other.		
Meeting Minute Approval	Minutes approved.		
Brief Updates	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Theresa shared information from Clark County’s website about the history of the 78th St farm, how it has evolved to become the Heritage Farm, and the future plans for the property. Robert shared current activities happening at the farm. Theresa suggested the FSC consider taking a tour of the property this summer or early Fall, before the meeting. Theresa invited FSC members to share food at the meetings: produce from their garden, a favorite family recipe or anything members want to shares. No one is expected to do so; members would need to either provide eating utensils or bring finger foods. Group communication: information should come from one staff person. Theresa met with Chartwells staff at Evergreen School District about Washington’s Sustainable Food & Farming program. She committed FSC support for promotion and any activities they may choose to do as part of Food Day. Cyndie stated that Evergreen School District used to feature a local food on elementary school menus. Theresa didn’t see this noted on the May menus she was given. Elsbeth shared the new MyPlate graphic, a change from the previous MyPyramid. Specifics are included in the guidelines. More information can be found at www.ChooseMyPlate.gov <p>Warren announced Urban Abundance’s Mural of Abundance slated for the east side of the IGA in Rose Village. The design will be based on results of a survey that asked 200 local</p>	<p>Theresa & Elspeth will arrange a tour.</p> <p>Theresa will keep the group updated.</p> <p>Everyone is encouraged to attend.</p>	



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	youth, “what does abundance means to you?” A July 2 kick-off pancake breakfast is planned.		
Food Day	Elspeth & Jill introduced the basic goals & priorities from the Food Day <i>Guide for Coordinators</i> . Elspeth is the area coordinator. Clark County Public Health and the FSC section of our website will promote Food Day; everyone encouraged to post on Facebook or tweet on Twitter their activities to help build momentum. Members broke into 4 groups to brainstorm ideas for how members can promote activities as FSC and in their own spheres of influence. (List of brainstormed activities from each group attached.)		Food Day to be an FSC meeting agenda item each month through Nov.
	Next meeting: July 28, 2011 – Heritage Farm		

