

Clark County Food System Council

March 25, 2010 Agenda

4:00-6:00 pm

Location: CASEE Community Center
11104 NE 149th St. Brush Prairie, WA 98606 Building B

- Welcome and introductions (10 minutes) Alison Dennis
- Meeting Minute Approval (1 minute) Alison Dennis
- Brief Updates (2-3 minutes each)
 - Farm to School Committee
 - Community Forum - Water Doug
 - City Council Meeting – gardens Anne, Bill & Greta
 - Fruit Valley – grant & sub area plan Anna, Greta and Elspeth
 - Other All
- Farmer Education and Farmer Incubation (60 minutes)
 - *David Knaus, Fresh Earth Gardens* - CSA farmer and educator
 - Description of farm and farm education program at 78th street.
 - How can the Food System Council and the community support efforts to increase community awareness about local food growers?
 - How can more connections be made between growers and eaters?
 - How might small farmers engage in farm to school activities?
- Multnomah County Food Policy Council (15 minutes)
 - Tammy VanderWoude, Public Policy Advocate, Oregon Food Bank
 - Anita Yap, Community Development Director, City of Damascus
 - Amy Gilroy, Project Manager, Community Health Partnership: Oregon's Public Health Institute
- 78th Street Master Plan and County Farm Expo (20 minutes) Bruce

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The Food System Council (FSC) will ask the following questions and discuss them as a group when considering whether to consider or take action on a food system issue. The list is not exhaustive, but provides guidance for discussion.

1. Is there a direct connection between the issue and the FSC's vision, mission and strategies?
2. Is it an immediate issue that will have a major impact on the food system?
3. Is the issue urgent or time sensitive?
4. Does the issue build on or sustain an existing effort?
5. Can the FSC make a difference or influence the issue? What community are we trying to influence?
6. Does the FSC have the resources to commit to the issue?
7. Do we have enough information to decide?
8. What are the basic pieces of information we need to take this on?
9. Who else is working on the issue?

A quorum of Council members, which will consist of one-half of council plus one, need to be present for decisions to occur, with either the Chair or Vice chair also present