

**Community Food Network (CFN) Meeting
MINUTES**

Tuesday, October 5, 2010

10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

St. John's Anglican Church – Lounge

Attendees: Sonya Hardman, Joëlle Favreau, Margaret Wright, Mary McGee, Chris Kawalec, Dorothy Boddy, Frances Wilbur, Linda Slavin, Emily Blondin-Doan, Susan Hubay, Dr. Rosana Pellizzari (Chair), Alida Tanna (Recorder).

Guests: Janet Dawson

Regrets: Marie Bongard, Jillian Bishop, Peter Hughes, Paula Anderson

Welcome and Introductions

1.0 Approval of Agenda

The agenda was amended with the addition of items 3.4, December CFN Meeting, and 3.5, All Candidates Meeting. Item 6.2, Policy Discussion, was moved to precede item 2.0.

2.0 Approval of Minutes – September 7, 2010

The minutes were approved as circulated.

3.0 Business Arising from the Minutes

3.1 Fleming Curriculum, Sustainable Agriculture Program (Peter Hughes)

This item was deferred.

3.2 Promoting Food Seasonality (Rosana Pellizzari, Susan Hubay)

This item was deferred.

3.3 World Food Day Press Conference - Do The Math

An event will be held on October 15th on George Street in front of the Peterborough Square to promote Do The Math. Baskets of food will be displayed to show the amount of food which can be purchased based on varying levels of income (e.g. minimum wage, average wage, ODSP, OW).

Dorothy and Linda are looking for volunteers. **ACTION: Dorothy to forward details which Alida will circulate to the network.**

3.4 December CFN Meeting

Through Karen Jopling from Kawartha Choice, an email has gone out to the agricultural sector inviting them to the December CFN meeting. The email also included a link to the Metcalf Report reviewed at the September 2010 CFN meeting (Menu 2020, Ten Good Food Ideas for Ontario). Please refer to those minutes for more information.

3.5 All Candidates Meeting

Susan completed the backgrounder regarding food security issues for this event which takes place this evening at the Evinrude.

On a related note, the Health Unit recently issued a report on poverty and hunger in Peterborough titled *Limited Incomes: A Recipe For Hunger*. The report can be found here: <http://www.pcchu.ca/NP/NP-images/PDF/limited-incomes.pdf>.

4.0 Need Food (Short Term Relief)

No update.

5.0 Get Involved (Capacity Building)

5.1 Food Security Video Project

Emily discussed this video project, an initiative funded through a Trillium Foundation grant secured by the YWCA. The goal is to document food programs and food security in Peterborough County and City by capturing individual stories and illustrate how these programs foster friendships and build a sense of community.

Numerous interviews have been filmed out of various locations and programs such as Our Space and Come Cook with Us, plans are underway to film Babies First and Collective Kitchens as well. There was a recommendation to film the Lovesick Lake Collective Kitchen program for a County perspective.

To supplement the video, a blog will be created which will house video clips and photos. The blog can be found here: <http://nourishpeterborough.ca/>.

ACTION: Members were asked to contact Emily directly at the YWCA with any potential filming ideas or locations.

6.0 Create Change (System Change)

6.1 Community Food Centre (CFC) Sub-Committee – Update (Susan Hubay)

Dr. Pellizzari was contacted by The Stop CFC in Toronto. They have been funded by the Ministry of Health Promotion to launch satellite sites in Eastern and Western Ontario. Peterborough and Kingston are in consideration for an Eastern site. Funds would provide for the staffing of a full time community worker in the first year, followed by an additional \$400,000 to fund up to 5 staff members in the second and third year.

Nick Saul from The Stop will be visiting Peterborough on October 20th. Their preference is to have a single organization take the lead on this project rather than a collaboration. Susan will call an urgent meeting of the CFC sub-committee and will work with them to enlist the support and involvement of the Warden, Mayor, or other council members who have expressed support in the past.

Kingston currently has a site available. Dr. Pellizzari and Susan met with Malcolm Hunt, the planning lead for the City. **ACTION: Rosana and Susan to follow-up with the County counterpart.** Fleming would potentially build or renovate the structure.

The next regular meeting of the CFC sub-committee will take place in November, next steps will include a focus on partnerships in the County.

6.2 Policy Discussion

Janet Dawson, Health Promoter from the Peterborough County-City Health Unit (PCCHU) presented a summary of the Ontario Heart Health Network Collaborative Policy Scan.

The presentation generated discussion on policy advocacy, and the need to think strategically on this front. Jessi Dobyns, a medical student who just completed a two-week placement with the PCCHU, completed an 11-page report on what policies currently exist in our region and how they are being implemented. This report will be brought to a future CFN meeting.

ACTION: Susan to send out link regarding OMAFRA invitation to promote local food in municipal institutions (e.g., long-term care homes, day cares, hospitals, etc.).

7.0 Round Table

7.1 School Update – Mary McGee, Terry Keating

Mary advised that the Peterborough Community Gardens Network will host a 'Gardening In Schools' discussion on October 7th.

The Child and Family Centre at the Otonabee Valley Public School has a Community Kitchen.

7.2 Community Gardens – Peter Hughes, Joëlle Favreau

The YWCA is working on a new proposal to the Trillium Foundation which will cover a 3 year period.

7.3 By The Bushel Food Cooperative – Linda Slavin

The co-op is coming to the end of their season. There are 4 baskets left as of today's date. They have submitted a funding request to secure a permanent location where they will be able to sell non-perishable items regularly. At an upcoming Board meeting, there will be a proposal to switch from a for-share/for-profit to a non-share /non-profit co-op.

7.4 Our Space – Margaret Wright

The fall gala is taking place on November 13th and will feature a LETS market (as previously reported at the September meeting). A media release will be issued on Thursday. As of October 1st, Our Space is no longer a part of the Peterborough Social Planning Council, it is now a separate entity with it's own Board.

7.5 Gleaning – Lori Sainte

No update.

7.6 Food Security Community Partnership Program – Susan Hubay

Susan reported that the Lovesick Lake, Curve Lake and Millbrook Collective Kitchens are wrapping up.

The Health Unit has just hired a temporary Community Worker to assist with the program at St. John's, as well as with the Just Food Box and Collective Kitchens.

7.7 JustFood Box Program – Joëlle Favreau

Food boxes continue to feature 100% local Ontario food.

7.8 Peterborough Poverty Reduction Network (PPRN) – Rosana Pellizzari

Dr. Pellizzari met with the City Youth Council to encourage their involvement in poverty reduction and food security work. Their participation would likely come next summer.

The PPRN recently submitted a proposal to the Trillium Foundation to hire a coordinator.

The province has announced funding for Health Units to deliver a low income dental program for children 17 years of age and under. Peterborough will have a fixed site and a mobile clinic, and the hope is that the program will be expanded in the future to cover low-income individuals over 18.

There are plans to present the Community Food Centre concept to the PPRN at an upcoming meeting.

7.9 Kawartha Food Share (KFS) – Chris Kawalec

Chris commented that KFS is quite busy. There are a number of agencies supporting them through food drives. They are struggling to meet the increasing need, and tend to spend more money to purchase food as there is not enough donated food available to supply the constant demand.

7.10 Community Meals Update – Faith Community members

No update.

7.11 City of Peterborough Update – Sonya Hardman

Sonya reported that Buckhorn Public School will speak at an event held by the Community Garden Network.

7.12 Kawartha Choice – Karen Jopling

No update.

7.13 LETS Exchange – Margaret Wright

Please refer to item 7.4.

7.14 Community Bake Oven – Linda Slavin

No update.

8.0 Other

8.1 Review CFN Terms of Reference

The current terms of reference can be found here: <http://www.pcchu.ca/CFN/CFN-TOR.pdf>. **ACTION: Susan to update priorities using the approved work plan, other minor revisions were noted. DECISION: The Terms of Reference were approved with the above noted revision.**

8.2 Review CFN Membership List

The current membership list can be found here: http://www.pcchu.ca/CFN/770_CFN+Membership+List+for+Web+Site.pdf. Changes were noted. **ACTION: Alida will circulate the list to the entire network for their review.**

9.0 Agenda Items for November 2010

- School Nutrition Policies, Carolyn Doris (PCCHU)
- Capacity Building - Discussion of Activities and Objectives from Work Plan
- NOTE: COIN to be added to be added to Round Table Discussion

10.0 Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:28 a.m.

REMINDER – NEXT MEETING: Meeting dates have been changed to the second Thursday of every month. The remaining dates for 2010 are November 11 and December 9.

Parked Items

Dec. 2010 – Metcalf Reports: New Farmers and Alternative Markets Within the Supply-Managed System; Nurturing Fruit and Vegetable Processing in Ontario