

Peterborough Community Food Network (PCFN)

MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, May 15, 2014

1:00 to 2:30 p.m.

St. John's Anglican Church, St. Nicholas Hall

(Meeting room located on the main floor adjacent to the Church Office)

Attendees: Dr. Rosana Pellizzari (Chair), Joelle Favreau, Chris Kawalec, Carolyn Doris, Tamara Mann, Andy Cragg, Jillian Bishop, Becky Lyon, Dorothy Boddy, Marie Bongard, Alida Tanna (Recorder)

Regrets: Mary Ann Martin, Julie Stoneberg, Lori Sainte

1.0 Welcome and Introductions

2.0 Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved with the addition of item 9.1, Fundraising Walk for Dog Guides.

3.0 Approval of Minutes – April 24, 2014 (attachment)

The minutes were approved with a correction to item 8.5.

4.0 Business Arising from the Minutes

4.1 PCFN Co-Chair

Dr. Pellizzari has requested that the Peterborough Poverty Reduction Network discuss this matter further at the second of two planning meetings (June 12th). Tamara expressed her desire to attend the planning meeting if possible. **ACTION: Carolyn will inquire about participation on behalf of Tamara.**

4.2 Backyard Hens (Carolyn Doris)

No update. This item will remain parked.

5.0 Need Food (Short Term Relief)

No update.

6.0 Get Involved (Capacity Building)

No update.

7.0 Create Change (System Change)

7.1 2014-15 PCFN Work Plan

Attendees participated in a planning session to further refine the priorities for the PCFN over the next two years. **ACTION: Carolyn Doris will synthesize the results and bring forward a draft to the next meeting.**

Dr. Pellizzari commented that at some point, it would be prudent to do an evaluation of the PCFN as a means to increase engagement, reduce duplication and strengthen collaboration. It was noted that this could also be led by PPRN and done for all working groups. The

evaluation could look at the following areas: process, structure, connections/partnerships and responsiveness.

Notable items that arose out of this exercise included:

- A suggestion to create an online map for food, similar to the one produced by the City's Social Services department which shows community services within the city. That map can be viewed [here](#).
- Supporting local food procurement.
- Raising the PCFN community profile through events.

8.0 **Round Table Themes**

8.1 Income Equity/Advocacy

(PPRN; Income Equity Work Group; NFB)

- The PPRN and the United Way are co-sponsoring and all candidates debate in advance of the June 12th provincial election. Details will be forwarded when they become available.

8.2 Emergency Food/Community Meals

(Kawartha FoodShare; Faith Community members)

- Kawartha Food Share's city wide food drive will take place on Saturday, June 7. They are seeking volunteers to walk or drive through various neighbourhoods to collect food.
ACTION: Becky to send a poster to Alida for circulation.

8.3 Urban Agriculture/Farming

(PCGN; Farms at Work; Sustainable Peterborough)

- Another community garden is being started on Hilliard St.
- Ecology Park will host a plant sale this weekend.
- The Downtown Farmer's Market is up and running. Jill noted that if the PCFN was interested in a booth, or has materials to distribute, she could facilitate this.

8.4 Local Food Promotion/Procurement/Distribution

(Farmers Markets; Peterborough Eats; By the Bushel; Seasoned Spoon; Kawartha Choice; Schools-Post Secondary)

No update.

8.5 Community Food Hub/Food Programs

(Nourish Project; JustFood; Collective Kitchens; Gleaning)

- Peterborough Gleans has recently received a \$1,000 grant from the City of Peterborough Community Grants Program.
- [Seven Days of Green](#) will be launched in the first week of June which coincides with Local Food Week. Seven Days of Green is an initiative of the Community Foundation of Greater Peterborough and local green partners to increase Peterborough's creative dialogue around local green initiatives. Nourish is involved, and has organized '7 engaging ways to Green Your Plate and while Growing a Healthy Food System' by

publishing a different local recipe each day. Dr. Pellizzari has contributed a recipe to this initiative. For more information, click [here](#).

8.6 Food Policy

(PSPC; Municipal Update; Community Social Plan; Healthy Communities/Partners in Wellness)

- The Trent Centre for Community-Based Education has just finalized its [strategic plan](#). Andy noted he would be happy to present this at a future meeting. He also advised that a project was recently completed on the barriers for local food distribution in supermarkets. **ACTION: This item will be included on the June agenda.**

8.7 Food-Related Social Enterprises

(Peterborough Eats; CSA Farms, Seasoned Spoon; LETS, TTP/Purple Onion Festival)

- Peterborough Eats is currently in discussion with the Public School Board regarding a pilot food skills training program at local schools.

9.0 Other

9.1 Fundraising Walk for Dog Guides

- Marie noted that this event was taking place on Sunday, May 26 from 1-3 p.m. at the Lions Centre on Burnham St. Anyone interested in pledging support was invited to contact her directly.

10.0 Agenda Items for June 19, 2014

- Finalize Work Plan
- TCCBE Presentation on Local Food Distribution

11.0 Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:27 p.m.

Parked Items

- Healthy Kids Community Challenge (if application is successful)
- Backyard Hens

PCFN meetings take place the third Thursday of every month at St. John's Anglican Church, St. Nicholas Hall from 1 – 2:30 p.m. Please submit your agenda items to Alida Tanna (atanna@pcchu.ca) no later than 1 week prior to the meeting for inclusion in the circulated package. Meeting agendas and minutes for the PCFN are posted in the 'Create Change' section of the [Food in Peterborough](#) web site.

Any community member or organization is welcome to submit relevant updates which may be shared as part of the 'Round Table' section. The organizations listed below each heading are examples of each theme or grouping, and are not meant to be exclusive. If you cannot attend a meeting to provide your update, please submit them via e-mail to Alida Tanna.