



Strengthening Food and Nutrition in Coos County!

**Meeting Minutes
June 28, 2022**

| NAME | REPRESENTING | ROLE |
|----------------------|---|---------------------------------------|
| Jamar Ruff | Coos Head Food Co-op/THE BEET | Organizer, chair |
| Stephanie Polizzi | OSU Extension Family & Community Health | Registered Dietitian, co-chair |
| Char Luther | Community Connector | Secretary |
| Paul Addis | Coos Bay Public Library | Reference librarian, cooking classes |
| Sam Baugh | Advanced Health | Community engagement specialist |
| Vanessa Broadley | South Coast Early Learning | Community navigator |
| Ashlie Coleman | | Waterfall Clinic |
| Doris Kiragu | Advanced Health | Health equity, policy analyst |
| Reneé Menkens | RN retired | Friends of Public Health |
| Erin Maidlow | Farm 2 School | Education Coordinator |
| Brittney Whiteman | Researching Mobile Food Pantry | Food and Nutrition Group |
| Lindsey Bellefeuille | Southwestern Oregon Community College | Community Resource Benefits Navigator |

Identify Note taker/historian – no response

Committee Action Items

Should we have a quorum according to Roberts Rules? -Should we vote digitally on survey? Deadlines for voting?

How to make decisions

- **Identify Core Group – must attend meetings**
- **Cannot miss more than 2 meetings in a row**
- **Quorum or consensus?**
- **Jamar will draft policy, send to Stephanie for edit/input, bring to next meeting**

What are goals of the consortium? (access, education, distribution)

- **ACCESS, EDUCATION, DISTRIBUTION**
 1. **Other possible verbiage: Handling, Circulating, Engagement/Participation, (more local food growers engaged, Support & strengthen what is already happening,**
 2. **Create info-graphic with meaning & explanation (i.e. marketing)**

3. Food & Nutrition Group & BEET have considerable cross-over including several members who participate in both groups. Possibly combine forces (access resources from Advanced Health). May change when CHA determines new CHIP
4. Brittney Whiteman is doing research and creating a business plan for Mobile Food Pantry. If anyone can offer support, contact Stephanie Polizzi. Jamar can send email with specific needs.

How can consortium members help the Co-op meet grant and business goals?

- Keep Jamar on track -:)

DUFBI PROPOSAL UPDATE

Double Up Food Bucks per Jamar (see attachment)

1. Working with SNAP
2. Work order in to Coos Head Point of Sale
3. Possible 2, 3 or 4 month process

PROPOSAL FOR COOS-HEAD COMMUNITY SPACE

- Creating space for food demos and classes
- Cooktop needed
- Jamar will bring pictures of possible space
- Hiring consultant for best use of space
- Available to community via separate entry
- Potential for voting on proceeding via email

CB PUBLIC LIBRARY FRIDGE

- Pilot Program – how to use this proposal as a model for other orgs
- Engage Tammy Aley, Library Community Engagement Specialist
- Waiting for refrigerator
- Frig will be locked with access via Library staff with Food Handlers' Card
- Data will be collected by CBPL –Keep reporting as simple as possible. Vanessa Broadley may have templates to share
- Laura Hunter will replace Courtney at end of month
- CBPL will absorb basic costs (elec, repairs, etc)
- BEET will support food costs (approx \$200/mo.)
- Waste will be managed (BEET has compost nearby)
- Food from farms, Food Share etc will be processed at Coos Head

SWOCC

- Freezer is more practical than frig – set up like a grocery store – baskets from Baileys available
- BEET could support grant writing (Renee Menkins can assist Lindsey)
- Survey students to determine what would be used
- CHIP funding available

POSSIBLE NEXT STEPS

- Develop Pilot for certified health coach in the co-op that can be adopted by other grocery stores
- Who is available and willing to assist with coaching initiative, pilot? grant?
- Create space for nutrition and health education materials
- Schedule a farm tour for Food & Nutrition Group
- Program to give people Coop membership to foster ownership

HOMEWORK

- Watch emails for potential to vote in a timely manner

NEXT MEETING

July 26 at noon for 1 1/2 hours
Farm to School will have a presentation

Respectfully Submitted: Char Luther