



**Sustainable Food Policy Board
Executive Committee**

**APPROVED
JANUARY MEETING MINUTES
Monday, January 19, 2010**

The Executive Committee of the Sustainable Food Policy Board (SFPB) convened on Monday, January 19, 2010 at City Hall in Conference Room 2017, 302 W. Second Street, Austin, Texas.

Chair Marla Camp called the meeting to order at 1:18 P.M.

Board Members in Attendance:

Marla Camp
Ronda Rutledge

Melanie McAfee
Allison Beadle

Staff in Attendance:

Linda Terry, HHSD
Juanita Jackson, HHSD

Ana Almaguel, TCHHS
David Salazar, TCHHS

1. CITIZENS COMMUNICATION:

None

2. DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Food Access and Wellness Committee Chair Ronda Rutledge reported:

- Committee members Paula McDermott, Ronda Rutledge and Melanie McAfee meet with Watershed Production and they mapped and identified 25 pieces of property suitable for community garden.
- Discussed how notes can be disseminated to the board.
- Discussed using interns to work specifically with Sustainable Food Policy Board
- Ana Almaguel reported that a request be taken to the full board to get feedback on non pollution growing practices.

B. Food Production and Business Committee Chair Allison Beadle reported:

- Reported the presentation by the Austin Rooster Supporters on the rooster band. Committee Member Richard Pierce was assigned to research and draft language on the committee's recommendations for the February meeting.
- Discussed the presentation by Rusty Cobern encouraged Committee Members to look at developing the criteria on how the irrigation meter fees will be waived. Committee Member Katie Kraemer to research and follow-up on who will be eligible for the fees waived and the use of commercial rates.
- The committee will review the letter that was drafted regarding the board's recommendations on ungraded eggs regulations and take action at their next meeting.

3. **DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON POSSIBLE FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- A. Documentation about what are D. Betty's standards. (January 25, 2010)
- B. Discuss and review criteria for water sustainable urban farming practices and community garden best practices and to make recommendations to Council. (January 25, 2010)
- C. Amendment to correct Sustainable Food Policy Board bylaws to identify regular meeting location. (January 25, 2010)
- D. Election of officers before August 1, 2010
- E. Presentation by PARD and WPDR on the November 19, 2009 resolution on community gardens (February 22, 2010).
- F. Presentation by Betsy Levy on organic certification process community garden.
- G. Look at existing national standards in other communities.

ADJOURNMENT – The meeting adjourned at 2:34pm.