



**Sustainable Food Policy Board
Food Production & Business Committee
APPROVED**

**SEPTEMBER MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, September 16, 2010**

The Food Production & Business Committee of the Sustainable Food Policy Board (SFPB) convened on Thursday, September 16, 2010 at Travis County Health & Human Services – Palm Square Room 2309, 100 I-35, Austin, TX 78702.

Chair Allison Beadle called the meeting to order at 12:35 p.m.

Committee Members in Attendance:

Allison Beadle, Committee Chair
Marla Camp
Richard Pierce

Katie Kraemer
Max Elliott

Committee Members Absent:

Melanie McAfee

Staff in Attendance:

Edna Staniszewski, City of Austin HHSD

1. CITIZENS COMMUNICATION:

None.

- 2. REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES OF JULY 13, 2010:** None, no action taken.
Members mentioned to add Melanie McAfee to list of attendees for last months meeting.
Minutes to be moved to next months meeting for approval.

3. DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION

A. Farmers Market Task Force by Suzanne Santos.

Update on Farmers Market Task Force -- will be sending out information of interim meeting being held in October. Apparently the ordinance and the permit application have a conflict regarding samples. She will forward questions to the City of Austin.

B. Update on composting research by Katie Mulholland

Katie not present but Chair member Allison Beadle mentioned Katie has a power point presentation and she will forward the information to the executive board meeting. No action taken.

C. Update on City of Austin Green Purchasing Program by Allison Beadle.

Chair member Allison Beadle gave update on Green purchasing that is on stand by. Mentioned Aiden Cohen has moved on to another position and that there is a new Chief Policy officer. Extend a request to have the new officer attend the Sustainable Food Policy Board Meeting.

D. Discuss work retreat format and committee priorities for 2011

Retreat (work plan session) - Compile a list of challenges and priorities from each committee and send to Paula to be discussed in executive committee meeting.

4. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Discuss possible items for next committee meeting

The committee discussed possible agenda items for the next meeting to include:

1. Update from Sid Grimes on County purchasing program.
2. Community garden update from Sid Grimes.
3. Update on composting research

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 2:23pm.