



APPROVED
Sustainable Food Policy Board
Food Production and Business Committee

MAY MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, May 11, 2010

The Food Production and Business Committee of the Sustainable Food Policy Board (SFPB) convened on Tuesday, May 11, 2010, in Suite 2309 of the Travis County Palm Square Building, 100 I-35, Austin, Texas.

Committee Chair Allison Beadle called the meeting to order at 12:34 PM.

Board Members in Attendance:

Allison Beadle
Marla Camp
Max Elliott

Katie Kraemer
Melanie McAfee
Dick Pierce

Board Members not in Attendance:

Staff in Attendance:

Stephnie Connell, COA HHSD
David Salazar, TC HHSD
Van Jobe, Austin Convention Center

Juanita Jackson, COA HHSD
Aiden Cohen, COA Purchasing

1. CITIZENS COMMUNICATION:

None

2. REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES OF APRIL 14, 2010 MEETING

Member Max Elliott pointed out Item 2 – 3d at bottom reads “Committee Member Max Elliott abstained due to attendance at the meeting” would like to change to “Committee Member Max Elliott abstained due to absence of previous meeting” instead. Member Marla Camp made motion to accept minutes with corrections Member Melanie McAfee seconded motion. Vote of 6-0

3. DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION

Item 3b was moved up for discussion first.

a. Update from Dick Pierce and Melanie McAfee on composting research

Member Melanie McAfee gave an update and will be meeting with several people on how composting is generated in the city. Having a collaboration with the City of Austin and how other Cities compost. Meeting is scheduled next week.

b. Local Procurement Policies of City and County

Aiden Cohen, from the City of Austin Purchasing department, was established to help the City of Austin to create a green purchasing program and as guidance for buyers to make better purchasing decisions. Aiden also introduced Van Jobe from the City of Austin Convention Center who will be an observer for today's meeting. Dick Pierce wanted to add a sixth item for Aiden Cohen's programs list, if Aiden can add the Sustainable Food Board for promotion of local foods.

Member Marla Camp made motion for the committee to draft a resolution to be presented to the SFPB to submit to the City Council and Travis County Commissioners Court related to local food purchasing and upcoming contracts. Member Marla Camp to take lead in drafting the resolution and to complete for next month's meeting. Allison Beadle seconded motion.
Vote 6-0

4. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Update from Marla Camp on farmer's market permitting
- B. Update from Marla Camp on possible resolutions that will impact the 2011 budget
- C. Update on Resolution from Marla Camp
- D. Update from Dick Pierce and Melanie McAfee on composting research

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 1:50p.m.