

Tampa Bay Network to End Hunger
July 10, 2014
United Way Tampa Bay
Minutes

Agenda

1. Introductions – 5 min
 2. Network business/updates – Cliff Smith
 - a. Nomination Committee
 - b. 501c3 update
 3. September meeting
 - a. Agenda
 - b. Breakout Session Topics
 - i. Structure of meetings
 - c. Keynote Speaker
 4. Work Team Reports
 - a. Transportation
 - b. Healthy Eating
 - c. Bridges
 5. Any information to share
 6. Next meeting – August 14
 7. Adjournment
-

Meeting called to order by Cliff Smith at 9:30am

Introductions

Network business/updates

Nominations Committee

- Elections for Chair and Secretary August 2014
 - o Pat Rogers and Cliff Smith terming out
- Elections for Board of Directors August 2014
 - o Open positions for the following:
 - Food System
 - Marketing/Retail – Open
 - Consumption – Open
 - Waste Management – Open
 - Food Domain
 - Health - Open
 - Economics – Open
 - Environment – Open
 - Students – Open

- Can nominate yourself or someone else
 - o Contact the person you would like to nominate to see if they are interested then contact the nominations committee
Cliff Smith, Kathy Myers, Kara Moore, Bonnie Watson, or Caitlyn Peacock
- Nominations will be collected over the next month then we will hold election for Executive Officers and Board of Directors August 14 during next TBNEH meeting

501c3 Update

- Approved for 501c3 status

September meeting

- Agenda
 - o Tentative schedule as follows:
 - 8:30 - 8:55 Networking/vendor browsing
 - 9:00 - 9:45 Introduction – what is TBNEH
 - 9:50 – 10:35 Breakout Session A (4 topics)
 - Bridges - Best Practice
 - Healthy Eating
 - Transportation
 - Policy/Advocacy (only offered Session A)
 - 10:40 – 10:50 Break
 - 10:55 – 11:40 Breakout Session B (4 topics)
 - Bridges – Best Practice
 - Healthy Eating
 - Transportation
 - What are we missing? (only offered Session B)
 - 11:45 – 12:05 Keynote/Summary
 - 12:05 – 12:35 Lunch/Networking
- Morning Vendors
 - o Taste-it! - Publix
 - o Gardens – SUAC, community garden demo harvest
 - o High School Pantry – Sacred Heart/Bayside?
 - o Garden Box Demo – David Whitwam
 - o Allegany Face of Hunger Book – Jane Walker
 - o Cooking Matters – Mary Keith
 - o Senior Day – Neighborly Care Network
 - o Nourish to Flourish/Pack-A-Sack – Andrew Chiounard
- Breakout Session Structure

- First 15 minutes - presenter will discuss issue, what has been done, what still needs to be done then lead into group discussion
- Last 30 minutes – presenter will engage audience in group discussion – what is group’s ideas for solution, questions they have about issue, etc.
- Keynote Speaker
 - Please contact anyone you feel would be a good fit as keynote speaker for this event. Please email caitlyn.peacock@networktoendhunger.org if need more info
- Invitees
 - Jane Walker
Talk to Trena Cox at JWB

Work Team Reports

- Bridges-Best Practices
 - Will Carey SLP – David Whitwam installed vertical farm; SLP now has tilapia tank with 1 ½ lb fish
Installed solar panels
Green house – where tilapia are housed will be fully sustainable off of solar power within 6 months
45 chickens provide eggs daily
Volunteer interest is waning
 - Need volunteers
 Edible plants being planted in back of garden
Fish grow their own food – expected to be completely sustainable within 6 months
Bee hive with 30,000 bees – cost only \$50
Master Electrician for Hillsborough County installs solar panels, all necessary electrical work as donation – community effort
 - Cliff Smith
Planning field trip for August 14 meeting
 - Meet at Sustainable Living Project 918 W Sligh Ave for TBNEH monthly mtg
 - Directly across the street from Lowry Park Zoo
 - Cliff Smith – Bridges - Best Practice
Kara Moore contacted United Way National branches in search of best practices and one UW gave grow boxes to individuals to grow their own food
 - Clients would get free grow box and give 1/2 of their harvest to clients at food pantry

Looking to implement grow box program in Tampa Bay

- Give free boxes to clients at food pantry and let them grow and keep all their harvest
- Who should be target audience for pilot?
 - Start small then learn from it and expand to other areas
- Start in community where SLP is
 - Pilot
- David Whitwam and Will Carey expert in this field
 - Will use their advice on how to implement

Transportation

- Deborah Lekenta
 - Expanding to Gulfport sites and other 7 throughout Pinellas County but need drivers (paid positions)
 - Contact Deborah directly if anyone knows of interested drivers - dlekenta@neighborly.org
 - Need fresh produce – does anyone know how to help?
- Cait Peacock
 - High School pantry
 - Implemented pilot program 2 weeks in June/July
 - Student's feedback was positive
 - Meeting with school Principal and teachers to work on implementing full program September 1
 - Senior Waitlist Collaboration Program
 - Submitting Letter of Intent to Community Foundation to see if Meals on Wheels and Metropolitan Ministries can get necessary funding for program

Healthy Eating

- Mark Trujillo
 - Sending out survey to assess healthy eating education at food pantries/food banks
 - Please respond to survey if you receive in your email
 - Healthy eating food drive tool kit
 - Market healthier food when looking at foods to donate
 - Work with Zach Bonner to get healthier options donated for his Guinness World Record Food Drive Nov. 7

- Grant update – Community Engagement Initiative
TBNEH was awarded \$10,000
 - Will hire Nutrition Coordinator to work on expanding Taste-it! Program and creating healthy eating food drive tool kit

Any information to share

- Zach Bonner
 - November 7 – world record food drive within 24 hours
Looking to collect 1,000,000 pounds
All food must be canned; no glass items or perishables will be counted for Guinness World record
Looking to form committee to help organize event
 - Contact Zach Bonner for more information -
zachsredwagon@aol.com
- Andrew Chiounard
 - Wondering if organizations noticing increase in need of food?
RCS Food Bank and Shepherd Center noticed increase
Do not have exact numbers
Waiting for map update
 - Want to get food for Pack-A-Sack program at school food rates
Packaging food for students so want school pricing
- Jane Walker
 - Share program – co-op – similar idea
No longer in business
- Seniors in Service to America
 - Working in Sulphur Springs with 2nd graders
Provide a snack, exercise, story time
Program called, “Catch Healthy Habits”
 - Goal is get 125 kids through the program
 - Funded through Aetna grant of \$25,000
 Need help obtaining fresh produce source for snack
 - Work with seniors in their homes (homebound seniors)
Partner with MOWs, Enoch Davis
- Sandra Gadsden, Executive Director of Edible Peace Patch Project
 - Tampa Bay Rays Dug-out Club
3 players volunteer at 6 recreation centers zoned in Title 1 areas
 - Players visit centers, talk about fitness, staying out of trouble

Bringing in All Children's Hospital to partner

- Teach kids how to make healthy dishes

Peace Patch is teaching kids in Dug-out program
how to seed a garden

At risk youth group built 7 seedling tables

- Cait Peacock

- Map update in progress

Expected date of completion: Sept 2014

- Social Media Update

Launched "Thank you" campaign for our members

Next meeting August 14 - at SLP 918 W. Sligh Ave (across from Lowry Park Zoo)

Adjournment at 10:51am