

To: Food Share

From: Robyn Schieber

Subject: Minutes of March 23, 2021

Members Present: Coty Dunten, Sherry Webber, Erin Dominianni, Hristina Petrovska, Nathan Rickey, Melody Woods, Rosie Florian

Not in attendance: Robyn Schieber

Agenda:

- Discussed having future agendas available in google docs for all committee members to have access to. This will allow each of us to add to the agenda items to talk about.

Future Purchases

- One of the signs blew away at the last Food Share. The sign will be replaced in the future after budget/grant renewal.

Calling and texting protocol updates

- Reminder text to students will go out the day before the distribution.
- Reminder calls will take place on the day of distribution at 3 pm. Robyn will call the students that have missed picked up in the 2 to 3 o'clock hour at the FIC. Coty will call the students who missed pick up at TTC.
- Erin will be on vacation next week and Robyn will be sending the sign-up list to Kara for the reminder text for distribution on April 1.

Grants:

- Rachel has included in the FIC budget for Food Share for the next fiscal year.
- The plan is to reapply for the Okun grant as well as the Bronson Foundation grant.
- Coty also suggested that we apply for a long-term grant from ECMC. They work exclusively with Higher Education that helps increase outcomes for underserved populations that are evidence-based. This grant could supply us with funding for the long term (5 to 10year grants).
- Coty and Erin will be meeting with Kathy Johnson about applying for these grants.
- Mel is in discussion with UDIM to apply for a grant to supply yogurt and other dairy products for Food Share.

Plant project:

- The Food Share committee will be planting 2 different 6 pack of plants. One 6 pack will contain culinary herbs for cooking and the other 6 pack will contain vegetables. They will supply 100 containers to students at the last two Food Share distributions on April 28th at the FIC, and April 29 at TTC.
- The last two Food Share Distributions will contain more food and include the 2 / 6 pack of plants.
- Students will be asked upon picking up their Food Share if they would like to take advantage of the plant giveaway.
- Any leftover plants will be given to community gardens.

Other:

- Hristina thanked Coty, for sending Levi to help pack boxes for Food Share. Levi will be helping every other week for the remainder of the semester and beyond if needed.
- Volunteers are still needed to help with distributions, Coty will have Ashley send out an email to the SSS to help with distribution.
- Summer Food Share will resume on May 13
- Erin will build out the sign-up for volunteers for summer distribution.
- Coty suggested that we all be on the lookout to present at virtual conferences about our Food Share program. Why we do it, how, and what the process is like. As well as, our commitment to our student's success through providing food to students.
- We will look at presenting for the fall summit. It has been suggested to have Annette help us with a video presentation about Food Share distribution. This will be discussed at the next meetings.

Next Meeting: April 20th via Zoom at 10 am

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