

To: Food Share  
From: Robyn Schieber  
Subject: Minutes of: July 18, 2023

Present: Hristina P, Erin, D, Renea P, Rosie F, Nathan R, Levi F

Absent: Shelia B, Valerie O, Nancy Y, Amy B.

Agenda:

Distribution Expansion was discussed to include students who are registered for the upcoming semester. We will look at following the model that the Wellness and fitness center uses. That if students are registered for the fall semester they can use the fitness center.

The roll out period would be at the end of the winter semester.

Other options were discussed for distribution to alumni and part-time students. At this time we have decided not to pursue these options.

Erin is going to draft a proposal to send to Dr. Washing detailing the distribution alternatives.

Valley Advantage updates:

Nathan reported that delivery went well. The morning class received their shares. The afternoon class was stored in the Aramark cooler until distribution time.

The valley advantage allocated funds to buy each of the student participant with a care package of different kitchen utensils. Rosie purchased the items from Websturant and will be packaged and delivered to the students in Valley Advantage classes next week and in the second Valley Advantage cohort.

LFPA Grant updates:

2.1 million dollars is available to purchase locally sourced foods from farmers. We have set up a system for other organizations to also purchase thru the LFPA Grant such as Loaves and Fishes, Sprout and Valley Food Share.

This grant will allow Valley Food Share to use the Okun Grant to help supplies other items for our students. We are looking at creating a welcome kit for 1<sup>st</sup> time student sign-ups. These welcome kits may include items such as flour, sugar, and oil etc. We can order the items for welcome kits and have them prepackaged. We will look at ordering bags with a Food Share logo. We will get prices on different types of bags such as a cold storage bags vs a regular bag reusable bag.

The goal is to order items to go into the welcome bags and assemble the bags at the next meeting.

Nancy requested that we have some bags available to students who ride the bus.

We may look at adding the holiday shares to more students. Such as adding 50 more sign-up slots for the holiday share.

Data collecting for KLF is now in progress. We have added the zip code and household number to the student sign-up. Robyn will run a report and send to Nadina at KLF for grant reporting.

Robyn has also added columns for KLF reporting, for students who pick up unclaimed shares and are not signed up.

Vibe Fest:

Semester welcome dates and Valley Food Share tables.

9/6/23, TTC 9/7/23 AWH, and 9/12 at the CAH.

9/6/23-TTC: Nancy and Renea

9/7/23-AWH: Renea and Erin

9/12/23-CAH: Hristina and Robyn

Erin is going to put together a volunteer sign-up list for the Vibe Fest. Hirstina will put together a Food Share box for display and we will have handouts and information about Valley Food Share and resources for the tables at Vibe Fest.

Robyn is going to update the Food Resource list and Erin will print out the list to have for vibe fest.

Next meeting will be on August 15<sup>th</sup> at the FIC, for welcome bag assembly and further discussion on items for the welcome kit.