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SAN FRANCISCO FOOD SECURITY TASK FORCE (FSTF) MINUTES

Wednesday, February 7, 2018 at 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
25 Van Ness, Room 610; San Francisco, CA 94102

Members and Alternates present: Anne Quaintance (MOW); Chester Williams (Community Living Campaign); Geoffrey Grier (SF Recovery Theatre); Hilary Seligman (UCSF/SFDPH); Jeffrey Smith (Alternate - Green Mobile Health Education Kitchen); Karen Gruneisen (Episcopal Community Services); Linda Lau (DAAS); Michelle Kim (DCYF); Paula Jones (SFDPH); Priti Rane (SFDPH); Ryan Thayer (TNDC); Tiffany Tu (Alternate - DCYF); Cissie Bonnie (Alternate - UCSF/SFGH)

Also present: Kadajah Grant (ZSFG); Michelle Cooke (public); Ave Lambert (public); Henry O’Connell (SFUSD); Steph Galinson (public); Sonny Pyon (The Salvation Army); Yeojin Jung (HSA CalFresh/VISTA Americorps); Kim Madsen (Project Open Hand); Rita Mouton-Patterson Francesca Costa (SF Marin Food Bank); Ada Lai (SF Marin Food Bank); Becky Gershon (SF Marin Food Bank); Jennifer La (DCYF); Meg Davidson (SF Marin Food Bank); Peri Weisberg (SFHSA); Janna Cordeiro (SF Wholesale Produce Market); Veronica Shepard (SFDPH); Gavin Morrow-Hall (SFDPH)

Minutes

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION ITEM
1. Call to order	Anne called the meeting to order at 1:32	None
2. Welcome and introductions		
3. Approval of minutes from January 3, 2018	Motion to approve the minutes from the January 3, 2018 meeting was made by Karen Gruneisen and seconded by Chester Williams. The motion passed without dissent	Meeting minutes will be posted to the website.
4. FSTF Assessment – Presentation of data, revised recommendations and next steps,	Paula Jones stated that citywide and BOS district data has been reviewed. The data has been reviewed with reference to race, ethnicity, and income and health status. (see presentation) Discussions focused on the inclusion of mental health and cancer. It was noted that this data would be particularly relevant to African Americans	Next data review meeting will be on February 23 rd from 1-4 Hilary Seligman will work with Paula to analyze additional health indicator data.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The report will also highlight the following special populations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seniors • People with disabilities • Children, pregnant women, families • People without homes • People with high health disparities • Immigrants 	
<p>5. Discussion of budget priorities for food security, Anne Quaintance (Meals on Wheels of SF)</p>	<p>Anne distributed the San Francisco Food Security Task Force FY 2017-18 & 2018-19 add back Funding request (see attached)</p>	<p>The funding request will be reviewed and updated at the March SFFSTF meeting.</p>
<p>6. Strategic Planning Process – Input, timeline and next steps</p>	<p>Anne announced that a new strategic planning process will start this spring. And sought input into who should be interviewed as part of the process. In addition to the stakeholders listed in the slides which were taken from the Communication Plan, the following stakeholders were suggested:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • People who are food insecure • The retail sector • African American farmers • Representation from schools from preschool to universities • State legislators • Consortium of community clinics • Hunger Free Programs • Food manufacturers and restaurants • Farming sector • Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing • Local Homeless Coordinating Board • Faith based groups • Community Clinic Consortium 	<p>Anne and Paula will take this input and work with the consultant to develop a list for interviews and focus groups</p>

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<p>7. Discuss priorities for soda tax. Michelle Kim (DCYF) Henry O’Connell (SFUSD); Ryan Thayer (TNDC)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Michelle gave an overview presentation of the “Soda Tax” (see attached)• Due to passing of Prop V, the measure would amend the City’s Business Tax and Regulations to impose a one cent per fluid ounce tax of sugar sweetened beverages, in San Francisco beginning on January 1, 2018.• The proposed amendment would establish a Sugary Drinks Distributor Tax Advisory Committee (SDDTAC) that would make recommendations to the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors.• The SDDTAC consist of 16 seats total: 8 seats appointed by Board of Supervisors, 8 seats appointed by Department Head• The Committee’s purpose and goal is to present recommendations to the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors on the effectiveness of the distributor tax.• Henry from SFUSD presented that SFUSD is advocating that 40% of the tax go to fund fresh fruits and vegetables for students as well as health nutrition education and bottle refill stations in schools <p>There was discussion around the working groups, and who is invited to attend these meetings, and whether the public is able to attend.</p> <p>It was recommended that a letter from SFFSTF be drafted which included our budget and population priorities.</p> <p>After some discussion Hilary Seligman made a motion that was seconded by Geoffrey Grier to write a letter to the SDDTAC that would include but not be limited to: Why we need the tax to fight obesity SFUSD district priorities; SFFSTF budget priorities, Emphasize the special populations of the SFFSTF</p>	
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	<p>a call for transparency in the process. The motion passed with Paula Jones, Priti Rane, Hilary Seligman, Ryan Thayer and Michelle Kim abstaining.</p>	
<p>8. Farm bill priorities - Becky Gershon (SF Marin Food Bank)</p>	<p>Becky Gershon distributed a sign on letter from Feeding America the United States largest domestic hunger relief organization. The letter has four main points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide adequate funding and preserve access to federal nutrition programs • Protect the structure of funding of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program • Provide sufficient resources for the Emergency Food Assistance Program • Support policies and programs that help connect excess nutritious food with those in need <p>A motion was made by Karen Gruneisen and seconded by Ryan Thayer to have the SFFSTF sign on to the letter. The motion carried with Paula Jones, Priti Rane, and Hilary Seligman</p>	<p>Becky will draft letter.</p>
<p>Project area updates and . Public comment *</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paula announced that there are three applications for the two vacancies on the Task Force. Elections to fill the vacancies will take place at the March meeting. • Chester stated that there will be a performance at the Dr. Davis Senior Center on March 3rd. • Michelle Kim stated that DCYF continues to address the loss of meals for the 500 children who lost services after Community Empowerment Inc. closed. • Meals on Wheels will be sponsoring events throughout the month of March as part of their national campaign 	
<p>9. Items for next meetings meeting</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Election for open seats • Assessment update • Budget request for FY 2018-19 • Sugary Beverage Advisory Update 	

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10. Public comment	Public comment has been incorporated into the notes above	
11. Adjournment		