

Bridgeport Food Policy Council - January 19th, 2022 - Online Zoom Meeting

Members in attendance: Ellie Angerame (Executive Director of GVI), Reggie (Fridgeport), Jacob (OPED), Raquel Rivera Pablo (A Pinch of Salt), Catherine (GVI/ Market Manager), Takina Shafer (BFMC), Vetiveah Harrison (Center for Food Equity & Economic Development) Staff in attendance: Angelica Ojeda (BFPC Coordinator)

Meeting Length/Direction

The main item brought up during this meeting was the fact that not many community members are aware of what the food Policy Council is and what the council does. It is important to think about a possible rebranding of the Council to reach out to the community and show them what we are all about. It is imperative that the voice of the community is heard in the meeting so that changes can go underway. With the overturn in council members, it is important to have access to a drive that has the important documentation for the council such as the motto, policies, meeting minutes, etc. The old Google drive was password protected and the previous chairperson had the login credentials but left the position before passing on the information. The current Food Policy Council Coordinator will attempt to locate the individual and ask for the login credentials to have access to the needed documentation. Jacob mentioned that the FPC needs to have a goal that the members are currently working towards such as following the Urban Agriculture Master Plan. With that in mind the first goal was determined to be creating a webpage with various links to resources regarding food insecurities so that individuals can find the needed resource. All members will send any helpful information to Jacob so that it can be added to this webpage.

Upcoming events:

Vendor training for the Farmers Market Feb. 28th &April 4th from 5-6:30 pm.

GVI winter workshop Feb. 14th

Feed Center could use volunteers contact Vetiveah @ vetiveahharrison@ccgb.org

Farmers Markets this season will match Senior and WIC checks.

Food Policy Council Coordinator Position

Continuing to perform the duties by visiting Corner Stores and connecting with individuals to resolve the issues facing the Food Policy Council.

Location of FPC Meetings

The next meeting will be... February 16th @ 6:00 pm on Zoom