



**DVRPC Food System
Stakeholder Committee**

Meeting

Friday, December 4, 2009

2:00pm to 4:30pm

Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission

Meeting Proceedings

Welcome and Introductions

Richard Bickel, Planning Division Director, DVRPC welcomed the group and attendees introduced themselves.

Introduction to Today's Meeting and Goals for DVRPC's Plan

Alison Hastings, Senior Environmental Planner, DVRPC gave a brief background on the process and work flow for the Food System Plan. She presented the values that came out of the previous meeting and draft goals that reflect those values and embody the themes of Farming and Sustainable Agriculture; Ecological Stewardship and Conservation; Fairness; Hunger and Food Access; Economic Development; Health, Healthy Eating and Relationship with Food; and Collaboration. The December meeting's purpose is to brainstorm Greater Philadelphia's indicators that measure progress towards our goals and better embody these values.

"How Do We Know if the Food System is Sustainable?"

Dr. Molly Anderson consults on science and policy for sustainable food systems and presented on the process of creating indicators and lessons learned from the *Charting Growth* project with the Kellogg Foundation. Before consulting, Molly worked for Oxfam America and as a faculty member at Tufts University, co-founding and directing the Agriculture, Food and Environment Graduate Program, then directing Tufts Institute of the Environment. Her primary interests are food security and food rights, resilience of food systems, and effective multi-stakeholder partnerships. She was a Food & Society Policy Fellow and currently is a Senior Wallace Fellow at Winrock International.

Identifying Indicators for Greater Philadelphia's Food System

Amanda Wagner, Food Systems Associate, DVRPC provided direction for the small group breakouts and explained DVRPC's criteria for indicators.

Small Group Activities – Brainstorming and Selecting Indicators

DVRPC Food System Planning Team led participants in a rapid-fire brainstorming session. Small groups rotated from station to station thinking of indicators under each theme: Farming



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and Sustainable Agriculture; Ecological Stewardship and Conservation; Fairness; Hunger and Food Access; Economic Development; Health, Healthy Eating and Relationship with Food; and Collaboration. Results of the brainstorm will be provided in a separate document. When the group reconvened, Molly Anderson provided feedback on the process and results, noting that a multi-stakeholder process is an evolution and benefits from those in the room to communicate with each other and their larger networks for more perspectives to be included. She also reminded the group to think of positive indicators.

Next Steps

Alison Hastings outlined the next steps, which will include refining goals based on feedback, completing baseline analysis for indicators chosen, compiling draft recommendations and reviewing those recommendations at an upcoming stakeholder committee meeting.

Meeting Attendees

<i>Name</i>	<i>Affiliation</i>
Rob Amsterdam	A.P.E. Produce
David Hewitt	AAAS Science and Technology Policy Fellow
Judy Wicks	BALLE
Susan Richards	Capital Area Resource Conservation & Development Area Council
Mailee Walker	Claneil Foundation
Richard	
VanVranken	Cooperative Extension of Atlantic County
Beverlee Barnes	Delaware County Planning Department
Ann Brady	Delaware Valley College
Christina Edleman	Delaware Valley Grantmakers
Ann Karlen	Fair Food
Annie Rojas	Fair Food
Bob Pierson	Farm to City
Justin Dickey	First Pioneer Farm Credit
Molly Anderson	Food Systems Integrity
Michelle Knapnik	Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation
Lily Cope	GPTMC
Curt Fentress	GPTMC
Marisa McClellan	GPTMC
Gary Cox	Greener Partners
Jason Ingle	Greener Partners
Cliff David	Heritage Conservancy



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Katherine Martin	Mayor's Office of Sustainability
Chris Rice	Mayor's Office of Sustainability
Johanna Rosen	Mill Creek Urban Farm
Stacy McCormack	New Jersey Department of Health
William Walker	NJ Department of Agriculture
Dave Glenn	NOFA-NJ
Shelly Glenn	NOFA-NJ
Domenic Vitiello	Penn Design, Dept of City & Regional Planning
David Masur	PennEnvironment
Marilyn Anthony	Pennsylvania Association for Sustainable Agriculture
Claire Baker	Pennsylvania Horticultural Society
George Matysik	Philabundance
Robin Rifkin	Philadelphia Health Promotion Council- PUFFA
Jeanne Waldowski	Philadelphia Water Department
Peggy Fogarty- Harnish	PSU Extension Office - Lancaster County
John Byrnes	PSU Extension Office - Philadelphia
Paul Steinke	Reading Terminal Market
Haile Johnston	The Common Market
Greg Heller	The Enterprise Center
John Weidman	The Food Trust
Patricia Blakely	The Merchants Fund
Peleg Kremer	University of Delaware
Megan Braley	University of the Arts
Victoria Perez	University of the Arts
Andy Johnson	William Penn Foundation
Patrick Sherlock	William Penn Foundation
Cathy Weiss	

Next Stakeholder Committee Meeting:

To Be Determined